



## **Report of the Town Manager**

### **March 12, 2018**

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#### **1. Financial Updates-**

- a. The Capital Planning Committee has reviewed and approved the FY19 Capital Improvement Plan. The approved plan will be presented to the Board at your March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **2. Personnel Updates-**

- a. Winchendon Fire Department had two firefighter/EMT's graduate from the Call/Volunteer program at the Massachusetts Fire Academy. FF/EMT Edward "Ted" Coulter and FF/EMT Betty-Jane Nicholson have been training since early November and both graduated in late February with their FF I/II certificates.

#### **3. Project Updates-**

- a. National Grid has not updated me as to when the streetlight retrofitting project can resume. I have sent a letter to National Grid requesting an anticipated date.
- b. Al Gallant and I met with representatives from the Town of Ashburnham, USDA and Tighe and Bond to discuss the water main replacement project. The USDA has indicated it is unlikely that Winchendon can receive grant funds for the project because the 2010 census indicated that there are over 10,000 residents in Winchendon. USDA will work with both communities to explore other grant options. The earliest this project would be brought forward at a Town Meeting would be November 2018.

#### **4. Miscellaneous Updates –**

- a. Tracy Murphy has completed and submitted Winchendon's FY19 Green Community Application for consideration. Please remember this year's grant request is now in competition with submissions from other communities. Below is the list of projects that have been applied for.

Site	Project Type	Project cost	Incentive	Town or School Funding	Grant funds request	Cost savings	Payback Years	MMBTU Saved
Murdock School	Lighting	\$20,547.00	\$2,025.00	\$0.00	\$18,522.00	\$6,770.00	2.9	122.7
Murdock School	Weatherization	\$41,404.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$41,404.00	\$6,297.00	6.6	271
Murdock School	BAS expansion	\$99,657.00	\$19,200.00	\$0.00	\$80,457.00	\$23,175.00	4.3	756
Memorial School	Lighting	\$99,958.00	\$14,897.00	\$0.00	\$85,061.00	\$11,023.00	7.7	176.5
Toy Town	Lighting	\$26,296.00	\$4,875.00	\$0.00	\$21,421.00	\$4,639.00	4.6	80.6
Library	Weatherization	\$9709.18	\$0.00	\$6574.18	\$3,408.00	\$290.00	8.7	19
		\$297,571.18	\$40,997.00	\$6574.18	\$250,000.00	\$52,422.00	5.3	1425.8

- b. The Planning Board will be holding a public hearing on amendments to the Zoning Bylaw on Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss their recommended changes related to medical and adult use of marijuana. I sent the document that will be used by the Planning Board to the Selectmen last week.