

Report of the Town Manager

November 25, 2019

1. Financial Updates-

a. Winchendon will receive a credit of \$21,904 in FY20 as Monty Tech received more state aid than anticipated.

2. Personnel Updates-

- a. Vanessa Arsenault has been hired as the Assistant Tax Collector/Treasurer. Vanessa begins work on Monday, December 2nd.
- b. Andrew Ladeau was hired as a DPW Operator I. His start date is November 25th.
- c. Brian Croteau transferred to the open Senior Water Operator from DPW Operator I.

3. Project Updates-

- a. The EPA's work on Lincoln Ave. Extension has been suspended due to the cold weather. The EPA's contractor will resume work next April. The perimeter fencing will remain up for the winter.
- b. The police sally port project has been completed. If anyone is interested in a tour please let either Chief Walsh or me know.
- c. The engineering firm hired to develop the recommended repairs to the Senior Center finished their field work on November 21st. I expect a report identifying the recommended repairs in December.
- d. The Winchendon Community Park Building Committee has hired Abacus Architects and Planners to provide professional support on the master development plan of the park. The goal is to have a development plan completed for Board of Selectmen and Robinson Broadhurst review by early March 2020.

4. Miscellaneous Updates –

- a. The solar array on Happy Hollow Road notified the Town that construction has been completed and connected by National Grid. The Town will now begin collecting PILOT agreement revenues from that project moving forward.
- b. The Town took a vacant home and land by tax title on November 20th. The property is located at 21 Hale Street.
- c. Three of the four tenants in the 8 Front Street property are interested in purchasing the property. The Tax Title attorney is be holding a sealed bid

auction to dispose of the property. Bids are due and will be open on December 5^{th} . The fourth tenant, who operates the pallet business, has asked for a one week extension until December 1^{st} to vacate the property, which I granted.