

Town Manager's Report August 1, 2018

I've met with FEMA project contact once again; I've also signed off on the damage inventory. We are eligible for 90% reimbursement (combined Fed/State) in the amount of \$10,129.91. This awaits final approval, and then we are likely eligible for an additional \$450.22 to cover my administrative expenses.

Work on planning for the bridge dedication continues. After extensive research, we are able to demonstrate that the State is responsible for all light maintenance on the bridge. I have submitted a request for this maintenance to be completed in advance of October 7 and have the document to ensure continued maintenance.

The Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages & Lottery Operations (BABLO) has sent a request for the Town's votes on local option elections for licensing. We have not had votes beyond the very basic back at the transition in licensing authorities. In order for any reconsideration to be done by voters, it must be petition-initiated—which requires a minimum of 220 certified signatures.

Salt joint purchasing prices have been announced through KVCOG. This year's low bidder is Morton's Salt (Searsport) with a price of \$53 per ton; this is down from \$56 last year. If consumption remains flat, this will likely show a savings of approximately \$1,500.

Public Works attempted to cut brush around the sign at Oosoola Park near the water, but encountered extreme poison ivy. I've asked Lynch Landscaping to explore taking care of this problem; we are waiting to hear about any permits or waivers, if necessary.

I've initiated the request to move voting back to the school gymnasium. There was no paperwork on file with the Secretary of State for the school being used as a voting place, so it requires approval.

Thanks to Waste Management for helping sweep up the downtown area this morning. They did an exceptional job, especially considering cars that frequently park overnight in the area.

I've received two weeks' notice from a public works employee. There is an active post for a full-time equipment operator/laborer, starting at \$14/hour.

Reminder for FirstPark Open House scheduled for 5:00 – 7:00 PM on September 13.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1 6PM Selectmen	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 8:30 Assessors 6PM Planning	10 SafetyWorks inspections	11
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