

Town Manager Report to the Board of Selectmen

Monday, March 4, 2019

An abbreviated Town Manager Report this week, as we just had a Board of Selectmen's meeting last week and there is little new to report.

- We received word from the state that our Chapter 90 allocation from MassDOT – for roads and sidewalk projects, has been set at a little more than \$242,000 for the coming fiscal year.
- The new Open Space and Recreation Committee is planning to meet next week, the day and time has not been set yet, but the committee is expected to start working with MAPC in the coming weeks to ensure completion of the town's Open Space and Recreation Plan for submission to the state.
- I have begun negotiations with two of the three unions with contracts that are up and I am scheduled to exchange initial proposals with the third union this week. There is little to report on this so far, just wanted you to be aware that we are meeting.
- Some progress is being made at 86 Meyer Road. The owners provided an update to Patrick Reffett this past weekend and have indicated that they will be seeking their Rough Inspection this week from the Building Inspector. The owners claim to have completed the work that was outlined by the Building Inspector during his last visit to the property and they have secured the house.
- Town came out of the biggest snowfall of the year (so far) in pretty good shape. We did have a delayed opening in several non-emergency offices, due to the timing of the storm and left the parking ban in place this afternoon to allow crews time to move the snow. At one point, we were down a couple of trucks because of equipment issues and that led to a few streets being plowed later than normal, but we did eventually get to everything. I'd like to thank the DPW crews and the private plow contractors for their efforts.