

Town Manager Report

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I am both pleased and proud to report that my family and I became Readfield residents on October 27th. I want to thank everyone for their hospitality and welcomes during the moving process.

Activities over the past two weeks:

- Continuing to meet and correspond with a broad range of residents.
- Attending the last mediation for the Union Contract.
- Continuing to work with the Town's FOAA Officer on the FOAA process and changes to the law - an initial discussion of the subject is on the agenda tonight. Robin has done a good job handling a relatively high volume of FOAA requests and balancing her other work - thanks.
- Addressing conflict of interest questions with counsel - There are no current known legal conflicts, but there are perceived conflicts which are a political issue. The Board is working to address these issues in part through the ad-hoc Appointment Committee.
- Beginning work with the Budget committee and a review of the process and tools used.
- Addressing facilities issues
- Meeting with Jerry Bley on site to review the proposal from the Trails and Conservation groups. Jerry is working on a proposed timeframe for the project.
- Moving the Luce Road project forward with an award to John Cushing. Many thanks are due to Sue and Lenny Reay for granting the easement to allow this work to proceed.
- Proceeding with the purchase of a new mower.
- Proceeding with the purchase of a standalone roll-off cover.
- Reviewing and updating the Maintenance job description - on the agenda.

Future Activities:

- Working on the Recall Ordinance and secret ballot (amendment) process
- Active involvement with initiating the budget process
- Filling the maintenance position
- Developing options for Town Plow Truck
- Managing the growing list of deferred maintenance work, including plowing
- Holding an all-staff meeting
- Brush Grinding Bid - (spring work)
- Striping Bid - (spring work)