

Town Manager Report

11-16-2015

I've enjoyed the opportunity to work with many of the town committees over the past six weeks, as well as the ongoing process of meeting residents. I look forward to many more positive interactions.

Activities over the past two weeks:

- The all-employee personnel meeting is scheduled for Wednesday the 18th.
- We have collected a few historic benches and photographs for the Hall – I hope they contribute to the feeling of a community meeting place.
- Advertising was posted to fill the vacant Maintenance / DRC position was in the weekend paper (the last two weekends), online at home and at MMA, and physically posted around town.
- We had a productive Solid Waste & Recycling Committee meeting On Wednesday 11/4 and the committee is eager to begin work on the fee schedule with staff.
- We have a new "FOAA" page up on the website that includes reference materials and will house draft documents as we move through the revision process, with the main goal being public education and awareness. Robin has made excellent progress with the FOAA policy revisions and we are on track to present a first draft for the 30th.
- I had a great meeting with the Budget Committee on Tuesday 11/10 - thanks to Tom and Bruce for coming.
- Val, Chris and I met on Thursday 11/12 and made good progress with review and revision of the recall ordinance. They both brought good reference materials and suggestions.
- The work at Luce Road is complete. John Cushing was easy to work with and provided a top-notch finished product despite finding ledge and a few bumps around materials delivery.
- I took a site walk of the trails, fairgrounds, and ballfield with the Keilty's. I was impressed with everything and feel lucky to live so close to these community assets.
- McGee truck inspection is complete and they have met the other provisions of the contract.
- We've received several applications for the Maintenance position.
- Karen is making progress with the fallen foliage and is getting some tree work scheduled.
- I reviewed some tree issues (trees near / in the roadway) with Larry Perkins and hope to have the Road Committee assist with identifying more and also help consider road striping options.
- I received a lot of feedback on the secret ballot process questions and will be forwarding those along to Pam Plumb with additional reference materials.
- I'd like to make work with the committees and improvements to the website priorities this winter.