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Town Manager Report

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Solid Waste and Recycling:

- Bids for the Solid Waste Disposal RFP, covering the tipping and hauling of CDD, MSW, and shingles came in last week. We had ten bidders responding to seven bid options. The Solid Waste and Recycling Committee will review and discuss the results this week so the Select Board can consider their recommendations at a future meeting.

Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- Bruce Chandler and I met with Phil Curtis of the Maine Local Road Center to review Luce Rd., Gay Rd., and Rat Mill Hill. I received draft bid specifications from Phil last week along with some rough cost estimates. They suggest we have a bigger job than originally projected and we may need to extend our maintenance program in order to accomplish the goal of a uniform and high service level for the gravel roads in town. I currently expect bids to go out in April.
- The bidding process for the Maranacook lake Dam is underway. The pre-bid meeting went well last week and was very encouraging. We had seven qualified bidders attend, which is quite remarkable considering the specific nature of the work. Bids are due on April 7th.
- We had great success in managing the last storm - it wound down quickly which worked to our advantage, but we had everything cleared by about 6:30pm. Anna did a majority of the plowing and Bruce operated the backhoe and the Holder.
- The property at 1111 Main Street has been secured and I am working with Les Priest of Better Homes and Gardens to manage the sale for the town. We have had a flurry of inquiries from people looking to buy the property after the foreclosure became more public.
- The Road Committee and I made site visits to the Torsey Pond Bridge and the Salt/Sand building. The bridge is in good condition and the cracking observed was classified as superficial by our resident engineers. The salt/sand building is showing signs of major spalling.

Personnel:

- Anna Carll (who holds the position of Safety Officer) and I received on-site accident investigation training from MMA. This is a continuation of our response to higher than average insurance modification rating. It was well worth the time.

Announcements:

- The Manager Interchange is on March 24th. I will be in Bangor for the event, which focuses on Marijuana policy issues this year.