

Town Manager Report

May 16, 2016

Budget & Finance:

- The FY 2015 audit review is complete following a few final adjustments. RHR Smith will be getting us a final document very soon.
- Up-to-date budget & finance information is available on the town website and at the Town Office.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

- HHW Collection is this Saturday May 21 from 9-noon at the Augusta Public works building. Pre-registration is required. Get forms online, in the messenger, or at the Town Office.
- I will be spending a few days at the transfer station next week.

Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- We are taking delivery of the new 1-ton Town Truck on Wednesday. This will resolve a number of operational issues and allow staff to work to their full potential.
- The RFP process for maintenance work went well with good response rates and competitive bids. The Board will be considering these later in the meeting.
- Eunice continues to do good work in the Cemeteries and I have pulled Bruce in to help her a few days a week until our new composite employee starts (planning on June 1).
- We are in the final stages of hiring for both the composite position and ACO position, which was how I opted to split the position. I have consent for this arrangement from the Union rep. Formal offer letters will go out this week, background checks, etc. I am, looking forward to being fully staffed for our regular positions.
- I have reviewed access improvement projects at the Ballfield and Town Forest and hope to get those underway in June.

Personnel:

- Robin and Kristin recently attended trainings in Augusta, and I am planning on attending management and HR training in June as well as a seminar on monument repair in August.
- Bruce has completed his chain saw training and is starting clean-up work.
- The Candidates Night was well received and I want to thank the moderator, Doug Stevenson, for donating his services.

Announcements:

- Local Absentee Ballots are available today but we are still waiting on State Ballots. Ballots are due back by the close of business on June 8th. Voters may call for ballots but the Clerk is required to speak with each voter (husband and wife for example).
- The RSU Floor Vote is this Wednesday the 18th at 7:00pm.
- The Volunteer Appreciation event is scheduled for the evening of Friday, May 20th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
- The Referendum Hearing (think explanatory meeting) for the Municipal Budget is on May 25th at 5:30pm At Gile Hall. This will be a great opportunity to ask questions about the municipal ballot.