Town Administrator Report, March 11, 2024

USDA update. (Weekly photos and update uploaded to WPCF web page on website if applicable)

Project 1 (Hardwick Rd. Pumping System)

- Awaiting pump station delivery in April – DPC to confirm schedule with Ricciardi

Project 2A (Wheelwright)

- DPC working through incoming submittals
- Contractor Activities:
 - o Completed forms for new Effluent Building
 - o Next Tues. 3/12 concrete pour
 - Start work on sloped step footings
 - Adjusted bypass pumping level controls

Project 2B (Gilbertville)

*General-Bid Opening 3/13 at 2:00 PM at Municipal Building

New:

- Green Community Grant: Will be starting work soon. Contracts have been signed and total project should take approximately 3 weeks.
- We received \$12,500.00in DLTA grant funds for assistance from CMRPC in designing and creating interactive and physical mas for our blue and green trails to accentuate our eco-tourism facet of the Master Plan. Survey is closed. Final comments will be forthcoming.
- I will have a draft Complete Street Policy for your review at the next meeting. We can begin Tier 2 once that has been approved and submitted.
- Our CDBG has to be submitted by March 25. We have completed all of the required tasks. We have requested approximately \$50k for design of the park and \$900k for Highland Terrace.
- Our Electric vehicle chargers are now online. Free for now, will be .35 per kW when fully commissioned.
- Special Town Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 21 at 6PM in Town Hall
- Easter Egg Hunts: Several places in Town and on different days. Hardwick Crossing, Christmas on the Common an Hardwick Winery are all particiating

Ongoing:

- The Capital Planning Committee has been meeting monthly, and should have recommendations to you soon. We have many building deficiencies.
- The approved jobs for Highway have been posted. If you or anyone you know is looking, please go to the website
- We will have to deal with this heating system for this winter season
- The Council on Aging are holding office hours once again. 12:30PM at Quabbin Estates and Municipal Building (Town Hall) at 10:00AM. Please come down and check out all of the services they have. Snacks served! Eileen and/or Brenda will be at each location on the last Wednesday of the month for an hour at each place unless otherwise necessary.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me anytime. My email along with work and cell numbers are on the website, and my door is always open.