



# Town Manager's Report to the Town Council

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## **POLICE CHIEF VACANCY**

As you know, Jeffrey Fenlason resigned his position as Police Chief effective February 1, 2014. Since I have been a police chief in the past I will serve as the interim Chief until the position is filled.

In the past, we have explored other options, such as contracting with Waterville for Police Chief Services when a vacancy has occurred. Therefore, I have placed the filling of this position as a discussion item on our February 10th agenda. If we decide to move forward with filling the position we can discuss the make-up of the selection committee at that time.

## **MRC AND PERC UPDATE**

At our last meeting I provided you with a brief update of the MRC and PERC situation. Included in the update was a draft resolution the MRC would like member communities to adopt to show their support for the planning process for post 2018.

I indicated at our meeting that I was planning to present a revised resolution at our February 10th meeting. The resolution is still being revised and I hope to have a final one for our March 10th meeting.

## **MDOT Rt 201 PAVING PROJECT UPDATE**

At last month's meeting I reported that MDOT was planning to resurface Rt. 201 this year, and as a result the expansion of natural gas in Winslow would be delayed 3 years. You requested that I meet with MDOT and Summit to see if we could avoid the delay.

I am happy to report that MDOT has agreed to delay their project until after July 4, 2015 to give Summit some additional time. Summit indicated they would do their best to

get pipe in the ground before MDOT begins their project.

MDOT reported that the delay may actually be beneficial because PanAm is planning to replace the RR Crossing at the intersection of Benton Ave. and Bay Street and the delay will allow for better coordination between all the utilities.

## **ROOF SUPPORT SYSTEM WORK UPDATE**

The work on our roof support system is expected to be completed today (2/4) and it is very likely the project overall will come in under budget. During the project, though, there was a miscommunication between our engineer and the contractor and as a result a small piece of work had to be redone. Due to this miscommunication we will have to pay the contractor an additional \$2,119, which will be offset by a reduction in our engineering cost.

## **REMINDER**

Please bring your orange budget notebooks to the meeting and give them to the Town Clerk, Pam Smiley. We will redistribute the books once I have completed my proposed budget.