

December 16th, 2024 Town Administrator Update:

I will be on vacation from December 23rd through January 6th. If I cannot figure out the issues with zoom, there may not be a zoom option on the 30th.

Departments

Transfer Station

The annual transfer station inspection was done by Jan Ameen last month. Repaving the back lot is still a priority and should be done next spring; there is \$37,000 allocated at town meeting for this purpose. I purchased a cash register for the transfer station so that now attendants just ring in amounts based on the code. I have also written up an 'intake' form that the attendants can use in a metal clipboard to check off what items are coming in with each car and use that to key into the cash register. As a reminder, everything going into bulky waste has a fee, but nothing going into scrap metal has a fee.

Boards & Committees

I would like to request, with the board's approval, asking each department head to provide me with an update to include in my town administrator updates. I would then forward this update to all departments as another way for us to keep up on what is happening throughout town.

Public Buildings

The roof is going on to the office addition now. The committee will meet in January to begin discussions on uses for town hall and town offices, town file storage options, and upgrades necessary for town hall including the lift.

Sustainability

Met to review the worksheet provided RTE, and are also working on free energy audits for grammar school and town hall.

Miscellaneous

- We have received and accepted two applications for the Senior & Veteran's tax work-off program. There are still three slots available, and it would be possible to extend the deadline to the end of January to allow more residents to apply and still be able to complete the 100 hours before September 30th, if the board would like.
- Budget season begins January 13th and I will be at the MMA annual conference in Boston from January 24-26.