



TOWN OF UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Memo To: Board of Selectmen
From: Blythe C. Robinson, Town Manager
Date: August 23, 2013
Re: Town Manager's Weekly Report

Warrants:

- Payroll: \$ 92,301.10
- Expense Warrant: \$ 77,034.00
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For Your Information/Follow Up:

- On Thursday the vendor who performed the chip seal work last summer was back to make repairs to Grafton Road and Chestnut Street where the material had not adhered well. Thanks to Public Works for staying on this and ensuring that the vendor came back and made good on the job required.
- Also on the construction front, we anticipate the vendor who was awarded the road reconstruction work to be in Town on Friday to perform some drainage work on School Street. We expect that this will be followed by them coming back next Friday to mill School Street and a portion of Mendon Street. At an undetermined date they will return to pave these affected streets.
- The COA Formula Grant for State funds has been turned in, and we are anticipating receipt of the \$9,616 that Upton is eligible for, an increase of about 1200 from last year.
- On Thursday, Chief Bradley and I attended the 2nd meeting of the Milford Casino consultants and the two regional planning agencies. This meeting was held in Hopedale. The focus this time was on housing, fiscal impact, social issues and public safety. We provided comments about public safety, the impact of those services on us as a surrounding community providing mutual aid, and again traffic. The final of the three meetings is in early September.
- Work continues on the Town Hall project. The focus continues to be basement demolition and determining how much of the ledge in the basement will need to be removed, and the best course of action to do that. We anticipate a decision on moving forward and the cost of this early next week. The dropped ceiling in the main hall has been removed and you can see the full ceiling now for the first time in decades – it is impressive!
- I had lunch this week with the managers of Sutton and Grafton to talk about issues in our communities, opportunities to regionalize various services. We did not come to any conclusions about what to focus on, but it was a good discussion that may bear fruit in the future.

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