

Manager's Report 03/26/19

An important reminder that with winter weather upon us, it is important to keep your driveways and private roads cleared and sanded so that, if the need arises, emergency personnel can safely access your property.

Regarding weather events, please be aware that we post information on the Town's Facebook page and the Town's website. Additionally, all the local television channels are notified when the Town Office closes.

The deadline for submitting nomination papers is Friday, April 12th. The following positions are open: One (1) Selectman/Assessor/Overseer of the Poor for a three (3) year term; Two (2) Planning Board Member for a three (3) year term; One (1) Planning Board Alternate Member for a three (3) year term; One (1) MSAD 61 Director for a two (2) year term; Two (2) MSAD 61 Director for a three (3) year term; and One (1) Trustee of the Water District for a three (3) year term. Nomination papers are available at the Town Office.

Following up on the through truck discussion in the neighborhood behind the Big Apple, the Police Department reached out to the trucking companies that were identified as being a problem. The response was positive with the dispatchers agreeing to not route trucks into the neighborhood and advise their drivers.

The Town is participating in the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center Government Summer Intern Program again this year. By participating, the town becomes eligible to compete for a \$1,500 summer intern award decided by a random drawing. Bridgton was one of four municipalities receiving \$1,500.

Pike Industries was the successful bidder for the Maine Department of Transportation Light Capital Paving Program which includes the following projects in Bridgton: Knights Hill Road, South High Street from Sandy Creek Road to Route 302, Route 93 beginning at Route 302 intersection and continuing 10.91 miles and Route 37 beginning at Route 117 and extending to Route 35.

George Szok has provided an update on his grant activities. The following are submitted grant applications:

1. The Betterment Fund for \$26, 950 for 33 Upper Main Street trees under Streetscape
2. Narragansett Number One Foundation for \$6,500 for 2019 Summer Camp
3. BikeMaine for \$5,000 for multiple bike racks

In-process grant applications:

1. Maine Forestry Service Project Canopy for \$8,000 for Main Street Trees – due 4/12/2019
2. TD Charitable Foundation for \$3,000 (?) for Youth Safety Day – no set due date

Before you tonight are the February financials and the Revenue and Expenditure Summary Report. As you will note, the benchmark is 67% for the month. Revenues are at 78% and Expenditures at 68%.