



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: John C. Curran, Town Manager

CC: Susan Aker, Cathy O'Dea

SUBJECT: Town Manager's Report, June 4, 2018

DATE: June 1, 2018

Neighborhood Meetings have been scheduled for the below dates:

- Monday – June 11, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall Auditorium
- Tuesday – June 12, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Ditson School – 39 Cook Street
- Wednesday – June 13, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Dutile School – 10 Biagotti Way
- Wednesday – June 13, 2017 at 12:00pm at the Council on Aging – 25 Concord Road
- Thursday – June 14, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Hajjar School – 59 Rogers Street

The new format includes a short talk about Town projects from the Town Manager. Instead of the usual Q&A the Department Heads are seated at tables around the exterior of the room. Residents have the chance to have a casual conversation with Department Heads or dig down on an issue they are having.

Zip Trip

Zip Trip is coming to Billerica again. They are scheduled to be here on August 17th. Boston 25 News anchors Gene Lavanchy, Elizabeth Hopkins, Sara Underwood, Daniel Miller, Meteorologist Shiri Spear and Boston 25 "Around Town" host Michele Lazcano will host the summer-long broadcasts.

Interviews with newsmakers, special guests, hometown teams and local heroes are featured.

- Around Town: Explore hidden gems, and little-known landmarks.
- Dine Around Town: Where the locals eat!
- Firehouse Fridays: The city's finest will be honored for all they do.
- Zip Trip Jr. Reporter: We'll select a young viewer from the crowd to ask the questions!
- Home Town Hero: Meet the local unsung hero who helps out whenever needed!
- Home Town Team: A super salute to a standout team.

We are working with them to highlight some of the positive things happening in Town like the new High School and the Mass Works Project.

CPC Applications

PHR, Bike Path, and Howe School were all found eligible. Applications are due Friday, June 29th. Clancy Main will be working on the Town submissions with assistance from VHB and BATV and Recreation.

Marie and Ken's Tea / Food Pantry

Thursday the 24th the Billerica Interfaith Society and the Billerica Food Pantry held a Tea to thank Ken and Marie for their service over the past 27 years. The Food Pantry is looking for volunteers to help with transportation, unloading, and organizing. They have multiple dates and times that are available to help. Distributions will be at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 70 Concord Rd. Billerica. The next distribution date will be from 10 am—noon, and from 5—7 pm on Tues June 26, 2018

Middlesex Turnpike Update

The request for a preliminary injunction against the Middlesex Turnpike Project was denied. Tree and grubbing work is moving ahead.

Yankee Doodle Bike Path

Please find attached conceptual plan for the bike path and summary from David Warner in the linked email below. This design is a result of meeting a balance between the desire to have the bike path go through the site while also taking into consideration safety for both pedestrians and bicyclists, schedule, phasing, budget, etc. The project team will have Shawmut Design and Construction provide a conceptual budget for this design. Once this is available, the design and pricing will be presented to the Committee for discussion and further consideration.

Accepted Way Meeting:

Since Town Meeting this office has received many requests for petitions to have streets accepted. Any petition that was returned to this office was invited to a meeting to explain the process. The Town met with about 15 residents in regards to the process of accepting their roads. These streets vary in condition and availability of plans. DPW and Engineering plan to follow up within the next month with the residents who attended. The streets will now be added to the potential pipeline for research on acceptance. The Town currently has a list of around 30 streets that could be accepted under the same process that the Town recently went through.

Alpine Village

This office met with Trammel Crowe of Alpine Village and the Building Commissioner to get an update on the project. There is still an outstanding issue with sewerage one home. The Town is still working with TCR to resolve it.