



## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Board of Selectmen

**FROM:** John C. Curran, Town Manager

**CC:** Susan Aker, Cathy O'Dea

**SUBJECT:** Town Manager's Report, March 26, 2018

**DATE:** March 23, 2018

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### **Health Insurance Rates**

This office met with Cooke and Company and Blue Cross Blue Shield to discuss the rates for next year. Generally, Medicare and Managed Blue for Seniors had a significant increase in claims. Overall, the claims on the remainder of the plans were better than last year. Cooke and Company is doing some further analysis to project rate increases for next year.

### **Fire Department Promotions**

Matt Battcock and Joe Bukoiemski have been promoted to permanent captains positions. Jeff Strunk and Tom Larkin have been promoted to Lieutenants positions. All of these promotions are effective March 26, 2018.

### **Locke School Baseball Fields**

A meeting was held on March 16<sup>th</sup> with the Beta Group and Kelley Conway about improving the access to both fields. It would involve parking on the right side of the access road as well as parking in front of the right field fence on the lower field. The plan is being updated. This project would be funded out of the Capital Budget.

### **Billerica Interfaith Association's 3rd Community Conference**

I attended this conference with several other Town Officials; the Police Chief, the COA Director, Assistant Recreational Director and the Library Director. Topics of discussion included common community goals of all faith communities, opioid issues, food pantry and the warming shelter.

### **Town Hall Renovations**

The Building Maintenance Craftsman, Bob Salesse, is putting together a project to replace lighting and flooring in Town Hall and repaint the walls in all hallways of Town Hall. This is a project that will be funded through the capital budget.