Coordinator Report

November 19, 2014

What I had billed as a hearing on CDBG is instead a legally advertised information meeting with a legal hearing to follow at a later date. MJ from the Housing Authority will be in attendance. She is writing the grant on our behalf. This meeting is at 5 p.m.

The matter of building department is continued to this meeting. I remain in support of moving the whole of inspections and zoning enforcement to the FRCOG.

Kathy C has submitted her resignation to the town clerk from the BOH effective the end of the calendar year. Liz W is willing to participate remotely during the winter however that will require there to be two other members to make a quorum. I am reaching out by letter to two nurses, one former member of the BOH and an individual with Title V experience; and I have publicized the vacancy in the newsletter. Part of the sell is that a person can try it out as an appointee and decide whether or not to run in May. If we can’t field a full BOH we have the option to have the TM vote to make the Selectboard the BOH.

When the board granted permission for our insurer to negotiate a settlement I was working from the email which clearly said $50k. The document stipulates $62,793.12 and I recommend the board vote to authorize the larger amount.

The WiredWest fiber project will be seeking a Selectboard vote to proceed in December, a May 2015 ATM (2/3) vote to authorize borrowing modeled to be about $1.5M, a vote to guarantee repayment through our cherry sheet state aid payments, and likely a needed debt exclusion over-ride. In case this meets voter disapproval I am looking at ways Warwick can phase a build out. If this authorization passes I’ll advocate that Warwick Broadband be closed down as soon as the fiber is live as we need a take rate of 50% plus to make the WW project cash flow. We have achieved this rate of adoption in Warwick on our fixed wireless system.

No official announcement on Green Communities until Dec. 3 but we are invited to an event that day at the Statehouse in the Hall of Flags at 9 a.m.

Mr. Whipple has applied for and provided proof of insurance for renewal of his Class II and III licenses. I recommend the board grant them.

The following boards and committees have vacancies for which I have publicized in the upcoming newsletter: Recreation; Board of Health, as of Jan 1; Representative to new Veteran’s District; Conservation Commission for which the commission’s chair has recruited a candidate.