

Coordinator report September 24, 2020

I included an item for the Selectboard to name someone to act as the Municipal Approving Authority for remote learning enrichment programs and exemptions. This is a layer of local approval that is being established. It could be me, or a member of the Selectboard. These are self-representation forms that need to be filed and secured.

I have booked the WCS gym for yoga, book club, Women's Guild gatherings so far. Mission creep is suggesting we look toward establishing the meals site at the school. I will start thinking about how that will work, especially in the kitchen. I am at pains to keep alive that we are only making lateral moves from outdoors to indoor space and completely within the rules.

Our school building has an air handling design that is advantageous for these times. When the building is in occupied mode there is 100% fresh air makeup. We are going to treat the incoming air with ionized negative charges which are disruptive to bacteria and virus. I am meeting the repair contractor whose specialty is controls for them to begin cleaning the air to air heat exchangers, replace belts and air duct couplings. Then we will set to work on upgrading the air handling system. We are taking a second look on the variable frequency drives and making three phased power is looking inefficient. Right now, we are operating air handlers manually.

Folks in my job around the state are trying to figure out town meetings and how they relate to the limits on gatherings. My reading is that meetings of municipal legislative bodies are exempt. But I add, we don't want to behave stupidly. All of this in the context of thinking about a Special Town Meeting in the coming weeks. Outside may still be our best bet even in November.

I did not get any response to the possibility of Cares act reimbursement of extraordinary expenses folks have met so I have been reaching out to community members. This is not shaping up to be a big CARES Act item for us and it is important we have made the offer. I expect the next round of CARES request application to be opened in the next days. We were promised in September.

In the next week we are having our first meeting with the District regarding our withdrawal from Pioneer. School meals and busing are both using WCS rather than town hall as a hub

I have negotiated a grant extension of our MBI broadband build through the end of 2021. We have met the goal of the grant on 95 of our connections and have 155 that are not yet to specification. The next big change will be in the 3 GHz Citizens Band Radio System where the new equipment 10 times faster than the old.

Chief Shoemaker has requested opportunity to report. Joe is back on the job and he and I will be meeting about the WCS alarm system, a public safety water well expense, and some needed inspections. We have the final language for the FC Communications MOU to discuss and vote. And I have a Highway item so we can learn about paving, plans, and hiring.

I meet with the Finance Committee and Accountant tonight about FY20 closeout, deficit accounts and a plan of action whether to have a STM and vote free cash or just assess the deficits and wait for TM votes

Larry is asking that a Chap 90 reimbursement request and a Chap 90 Project request for paving on Wendell Rd be on the agenda. I added this.

