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## **TOWN OF SUTTON**

### **OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR**

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
**FROM:** JAMES SMITH  
**SUBJECT:** TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE  
**DATE:** 4/3/2018

The following is an update of projects and activities for your information

- 1) FY 19 Budget Process-I will present the FY 19 final budget at the next selectmen's meeting on April 17. We are working aggressively with the unions to make significant plan design changes on healthcare as well as working with the police union on a new contract.
- 2) Primetals-has agreed to relocate their facility to the town of Sutton at 85 Gilmore Drive. The manufacturing facility will bring in 275 jobs a third of which are manufacturing. The purchase and sale agreement is complete and they addressed their Worcester workforce on Wednesday, March 28. I would like to thank Planning Director Jen Hager, Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and town meeting for all their effort in approving the TIF and welcoming Primetals to the town of Sutton.
- 3) Payment from Wireless Edge-the town received the first payment of \$32,670.94 from Wireless Edge for the cell tower on town farm road. From now on we will receive a monthly check from Wireless Edge starting April 1 in the amount of \$2,750 escalating at 3% annually. This \$32,670 will be transferred at the fall town meeting into the OPEB trust fund per the Board of Selectmen's policy. Now that the Nor'easter's have passed National Grid will address the power situation within the next couple weeks.
- 4) Milling and paving of the M Route-Mass DOT District 3 will be milling and paving the M route from where it begins in Douglas through Sutton up to Central Turnpike. This is approximately 4 miles of roadway improvement costing roughly \$2 million. The work will begin within the next two weeks. I would like to thank John Hebert in his role as CMRPC representative for all his efforts in advocating for the section of road.

- 5) Manchaug Village Historic District-has been listed in the National Register of Historic Places. This has been a multiyear process led by Jen Hager Planning Director as well as a number of other individuals. Thank you to Jen and the team that made this happen.
- 6) Construction of the Blackstone Street Bridge-is scheduled to begin as early as April 2, 2018. Construction will begin with repairs to the surface of the Depot Street Bridge so it is safe to use as an alternate travel route while Blackstone Street Bridge is closed. I have attached a letter from the Planning Department regarding this process.