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TOWN OF SUTTON

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

TO: SELECT BOARD
FROM: JAMES SMITH
SUBJECT: TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE
DATE: 3/15/2022

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

- 1) Burbank and Sibley Road intersection funding-per the enclosed correspondence from the Planning Board, the town of Sutton has recommended \$30,000 in the capital plan to address this issue. This will allow the Planning Board to hire an impartial traffic engineer to evaluate the intersection and proposed various alternatives for mitigating issues associated with the confined intersection.
- 2) Nonrenewal of some Nursing IMA's-as of July 1, 2022 town of Sutton will no longer provide nursing services to the town of Boylston, the town of Brookfield, and the town of North Brookfield. Recently the town of Millville was terminated by mutual consent. We will continue to examine and identify elimination of some IMA's to lighten the load on Sutton's Board of Health.
- 3) Detail Rate for firefighters-effective April 1, 2022 I am increasing the detail rate for Sutton Fire to \$40 per hour. The rate will remain \$50 for holidays and Sundays. Please find enclosed the detail rates for District 7.
- 4) Agricultural Preservation Restriction(APR) at King farm- the Department of Agricultural Resources is considering placing an APR on 19 acres of property owned by Glenn King at 7 King Road. They are asking the town for a local contribution of 5% or \$19,233. The state will be paying \$324,190 for this permanent restriction. I

believe the state is also considering an APR for the additional acreage owned by Sharon King. We do not have that application before us at this point. I would like to place this on the May town meeting to appropriate \$19,233 for the purpose of the APR on part of King Farm.

Reminders: Finance and Warrant committee public hearings-will take place on Tuesday, March 22, Tuesday, March 29, and Wednesday, April 6 all at 6:30 PM in the Wally Johnson meeting room. Please see the attached schedule.

Draft Warrant-We will be presenting the draft town meeting warrant on April 5. The final warrant will be signed by the Select Board on April 19. Town meeting will be held in the Middle School/High School auditorium on May 9 at 7 PM.