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OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

TO: SELECT BOARD
FROM: JAMES SMITH
SUBJECT: TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE
DATE: 11/15/2022

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

1. Gate at Marion's Camp-is currently closed from the end of each season in August until June of the following year. We are considering opening the gate year-round to give the public access to an open park space. As you know, we applied for and received a Federal Land Water Conservation appropriation to finish Goddard Lodge renovations and to complete a trail system throughout Marion's camp. These trails are not available for public use for nine months out of the year. Often people park their cars at the closed gate and walk into Marion's camp causing a traffic issue for the neighbors.
2. Jingle Jaunt-the annual 5K jingle jaunt will take place on December 10, 2022 at 10:30 AM starting from the town common. The race is organized by Howie Bottomly.
3. Manchaug Village meeting-will be held on Thursday, November 17 at 6 PM in the Manchaug Mills first floor wing. The purpose of this meeting is to share thoughts on the \$75,000 municipal vulnerability preparedness grant that we received from the state of Massachusetts. Our consultant will run the meeting and will share information and gather input about the natural and man-made water systems in Manchaug.

4. Pam Johnson- recently retired from the Sutton Library after serving the town for 25 years. Pam was extremely generous and well liked amongst the library patrons. She will be missed. Congratulations Pam and enjoy your retirement.