

Memo

To: Mayor and Council
cc: Department Heads
From: Pat MacQueen
Date: June 21, 2010
Re: Manager's Report

Meeting at DOT on Bridges

On Monday June 7th, Ed Bergeron of HEB Engineers and I met with representatives of NHDOT Bridge Division to go over possible time tables for the construction of the 12th Street Bridge and the Hillside Bridge. It was determined that it should be possible with the design review cooperation of the DOT to carry out the 12th Street Bridge construction work this summer. DOT encouraged the idea of closing the bridge to traffic for the work both because it should result in better pricing and because it will make the job go much quicker.

80% state funding for that bridge work however will not be available until July 1, of 2015. Therefore, the Mayor and Council have been considering a Resolution which is up for second reading tonight and would provide the needed funding for the project to happen this summer. The City would then be reimbursed by the State in July of 2015 for the 80% share of the work.

East Milan Road Project

The excavation for the foundation work for the new pump station has begun as has a good deal of the pavement removal done where the new sewer will go. The Contractor, Sargent Corp. has set up its staging area for the project on the old Hexaport property in the Maynesboro Industrial Park.

District Leachate Meeting in Concord

Chris Dwinal of Wright Pierce and Mike Perreault along with CMA Engineers representatives of the AVR RD met with DES officials in Concord last week to review what DES will need in order to approve District Leachate being delivered to the City WWTF. CMA had an agenda for the meeting which reviewed the issues and possible routes and the various means to cover and reduce flows. Overall, there were no major concerns about treatability. They confirmed that there would have to be an agreement between the City and the District which defines the basic industrial pre-treatment requirements. The next step for the District will be to meet with the EPA to see if EPA will approve their new approach which will undoubtedly ask for an extension of time.

Jericho Mountain State Park ATV Festival – July 10th & 11th

The NH Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) and the North Country Council with the assistance of the advertising consultant Glen Group are promoting what they hope will be the largest gathering of ATV enthusiasts yet at the Jericho Mountain State Park. The event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday July 10th and 11th. There has been wide-spread promotion for this event. NH ATV registrations are being waived for the two days of the event for people coming from out of State. In short, Berlin is likely to be inundated with ATV enthusiasts that weekend.

North Country Council Quarterly Representative Meeting

The North Country Council Quarterly Representative Meeting is being held at the The Barn at the Rocks Estate in Bethlehem, on Wed., June 23, 2010. The guest speakers will be talking about Brownfields Study and Assessment. The flier/agenda for that meeting is attached.