

NOTES FROM TOWN HALL
Town Administrator Rosemary Cashman

Bicentennial. The Bicentennial Committee is continuing to work hard on preparations for the celebration of the Town's 200th birthday. Mark your calendar for June 11 through June 14. Donations are still needed to make this a successful event. T-shirts, ornaments, baskets, and other items are for sale. Please contact any of the following for information: Recreation Director Alison McNamara, Town Clerk Joanne Shifres, or Sewer Administrator Kerry Colburn-Dion.

Town Meeting. The Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Elementary School Cafetorium. Please attend.

Capital Plan. The Capital Asset Management Committee has been meeting in the last few months to update the 5-year Capital Asset Management Plan. The members of the committee are: Selectman Rich Lemoine, School Committee member Jeff Hunt, Finance Committee member Fred Perrault, Town Accountant Jacquelyn Cronin, and Town Treasurer Pauline Guilmette. Various town and school officials have presented their capital requests to the CAMC, and the CAMC has prioritized those requests. The CAMC recommends that several items be funded at the upcoming Town Meeting for fiscal year 2010. These items are: fire pick-up truck, highway truck, update of design and cost estimate for new fire station, technology upgrades at the Schools, and paving at the Schools. The cost of these items totals \$183,000 which can be supported in FY10 through a direct payment of \$177,654 from the town's existing Capital Asset Stabilization Fund and \$5,346 from the Highway Fund. The CAMC does not recommend any borrowing at this time. Also, the Committee recommends that \$110,000 be appropriated from the Capital Asset Stabilization Fund to pay some of the additional debt service on capital items that have been approved in prior years. The Capital Asset Stabilization Fund currently has a balance of approximately \$288,000.