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Town Manager's Report

Dear Board Members:

I am pleased to report the following updates from Town Hall and throughout Town:

- Happy to share that we opened bids on the MassWorks Grant project that will see improvements to Kendall Road and the construction of a new roadway called Commerce Drive which will provide access to the DPW yard, the Park & Ride, and the new warehouse project last week with Newport Construction as the lowest bidder. Newport has a lengthy history of positive performance here in Tyngsborough and with a base bid of \$1.9M, will fall perfectly within the \$2M MassWorks Grant.
- Just want to give a huge shoutout to our Town Clerk Jessica Brunelle on her first election last week. Tyngsborough saw 15% voter turnout which is a tremendous increase from our 4% turnout for the Town Election in May and 11% for the Presidential Primary in March. I also want to thank our Poll Workers who spent their day making sure people's voices were heard and of course our Town Clerk Emeritus Joanne Shifres who has spent many hours in the weeks leading up to the election making sure Jessica was ready. Interestingly, of the 1555 votes cast last Tuesday, about 930 were done by mail and 30 were done in person as a part of early voting.
- Project Updates
 - The work is now complete in the Town Center on the new pedestrian bridge, boardwalk, and observation deck. We'll get the final landscaping touches done this Spring.
 - The electrical work for the new Town Center digital sign was completed last week. The sign shipped mid-week last week and we expect it to arrive and be ready for installation next week. When complete, this sign will replace the orange highway sign that has been there for three years and will allow us to better communicate with residents. This project was funded by CPC funding at the May 2024 Annual Town Meeting.
 - Phase II of the 2024 Roadway Improvements Project is underway. Work to date included headwall repairs and drainage improvements. The Town's contractor will commence pavement operations in the next two weeks with the goal of completing all work before the winter shutdown.
 - The Engineering Division approved a road opening permit last week for the work being done by the Dracut Water Supply District in the Malvern Road area. This is the project that will see the replacement of a severely undersized line with a more appropriately sized main.
 - Work is moving right along at the Sherburne Ave Rec Parcel.





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- Bicentennial Field Irrigation Project Update - The project is moving along nicely. At this point the contractor has completed the first four phases of the project which included the electrical work in the building, the trenching to the wood line, and a cleanup of the disturbed area. Phase 5 is the trenching into the woods to where the new pump will sit as well as the installation of the pump pad. This work will commence the week of September 23rd and should last five days. After that, the remaining item will be pump installation which will occur once the pump is delivered.
- There are a few important dates coming up to keep on folks' minds.
 - The Tyngsborough Fire Department will host the Annual 9/11 Remembrance Event on Wednesday morning at the First Responder Memorial at Tyngsborough Funeral Home. Folks are asked to arrive at 9:30 AM.
 - The Board of Health will host its first "Light the Night Vigil" on Saturday at 6:30 PM at the Old Town Hall. The vigil will honor and remember those who lost their lives to substance use. They have already established a memory garden on the lawn of the Old Town Hall where residents can write the name or the memory of a loved one lost to substance use and place it with the others. Residents may choose to do that ahead of the vigil or on Sunday.
 - On Saturday, September 21 from 11 to 2, the Board of Health, Police and Fire Departments, and the Department of Public Works will host the Annual Health and Safety Fair at the Elementary School. There are activities for all ages and lots of informational tables and programs.
 - The Friends of the Tyngsborough Public Library will host their Annual Book Sale on Saturday, October 5, 2024 from 8:30 AM to 2 PM.
 - While the state primary is over, the Town Clerks' Office is already shifting gears to the November 5th General Election. The deadline to register to vote is October 26, 2024 and the deadline to return your vote by mail application is October 29th. Residents will be able to vote early the week of October 28th. A full schedule and more information will be available at tyngsboroughma.gov in the coming weeks.

Assistant Town Manager's Report

- I am thrilled to be back after my three-month maternity leave! I want to thank everyone, especially Colin and Jackie, who covered for me while I was on leave. I am extremely grateful to have that time away to spend with baby Charlotte.
- Next Wednesday, September 11, we will be releasing an Invitation for Bids for the Scribner Road Culvert Replacement Project. Bids are due September 25.

Regards,
Colin Loiselle
Town Manager

