

This report covers the period of 08/07/15 to 08/18/15. The information contained in this report is intended to inform the Board of Selectmen and town Department Heads of the current activities taking place within the manager's office. All topics are open for discussion.

FY16 Tax Commitment - The FY16 mil rate has been set at 17.52 per thousand. .16 less than predicted at Town Meeting (17.68). **\$125,000 from the unassigned balance** was applied (up to \$150,000 was authorized), and the overlay is **\$15,875** (\$812 under the projected number).

Homestead Reimbursement = \$90,228 (lower by \$2,291) / **Bete Reimbursement = \$2,439** (higher by \$1,420). The LD 1 Tax Levy Limit was not exceeded (under by 232,891).

Real Estate valuation increased to **\$ 414,779,400**; Personal Property valuation increased to **\$ 7,520,469**. Overall the town's increase in valuation is \$3,992,250 for a new **Total Taxable Valuation of \$ 422,299,869**

Tax Levy Percentage:	Year	Town	School	County
	2016	10.48%	85.55%	3.97%
	2015	14.75%	81.39%	3.86%

Residents will begin to receive their tax bills the first of next week.

Flashing School Lights - I have been approached by the Town of Wiscasset in the purchasing of the two flashing school speed zone lights. Their representatives will be talking it over with council and I hope to hear back from them in a couple of weeks.

FEMA Funds - We have received \$8,083.63 in reimbursement funds for the 2015 blizzard, which represents 75% of the total amount to be received. The remaining 25% will come from MEMA.

Town Directory - Included separately in your packets is a new town directory. Any changes to this information should be emailed to Melissa Henes at Melissa@northyarmouth.org.

Projects - Staff and I have spent time reviewing selected projects based on the results of the last Selectperson's meeting.

MSAD - I met earlier this month with Superintendent Jeff Porter. This meeting was a follow up for both parties to discuss the completion of FY15 and begin discussions regarding the current year.

Traffic Study - Keith Thompson has begun reporting his analysis of individual roads based on the information provided from our All Traffic Solutions software that monitors the activity of the town's speed sign. Jason Raven will begin analyzing some of the same data shortly following the completion of Fun Day. I want to thank both of these volunteers for the time they are putting towards this project. It is greatly appreciated.

Planning Workshops - I am currently working on a schedule for the anticipated workshops that lie ahead. The goal is to design a set schedule that will provide a timely process for all subjects needing to be addressed. I am also aiming not to overdo "meetings" in any one month. A draft review of this schedule will be presented to the Board.

Respectfully,

Rosemary

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