



MEMORANDUM

To: Town Council
From: Ray Carpentino, Town Manager
Date: 5/16/2024
Subject: Town Manager's Report
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Assistant Fire Marshal

The Town is advertising for the Assistant Fire Marshal position as current Assistant Fire Marshal, Frank Kelley, will be retiring.

Tax Abatements

I am in receipt of one application request for a tax abatement under the Town's Business Assistance Policy with one application request pending. Both requests involve multi-family developments. I will be coordinating with the Economic Development Subcommittee shortly.

Horizon Commons

The Horizon Commons property recently sold to a New Jersey LLC for \$12,600,000

Economic Development Commission

The new EDC is working on re-introducing the Business Visitation Program

Racist Activity Concerns

In response to recent racist graffiti and signage posting incidents I have ordered stepped-up, random police patrols in our parks and along our trails and public ways.

Beach Road Drainage-Grant

Senator Matt Lessor has obtained a \$250,000 grant for the replacement of the Beach Road culvert. The grant will be used for design and the consultant will be selected through the RFP/RFQ process.

Complete Streets

I met with Community Development staff to discuss steps to implement the Complete Streets Policy. Procedures will be drafted for internal review of capital projects and development proposals.

RH Division Chamber meeting

This month's Division meeting was sponsored by the Community/Senior Center

Business Assistance

Mayor Marotta and I met with the owner of large commercial property seeking assistance with marketing/lead generation for tenancy.

National Public Works Week

May 19-25, 2024

Honors the public works professionals who plan, design, build, manage, and operate the infrastructure that ensures a higher quality of life for our communities.

Road Referendum

In conjunction with Public Works, Engineering is preparing our roads for the 2024 paving season. This year we will utilize Cold in Place (CIP) pavement recycling and traditional mill and pave. Roads include:

- Autumn Circle (CIP)
- Winter Lane (CIP)
- Fox Hill (CIP)
- France Street (Skyview to Ten Rod) (CIP)

Building

- Its **construction season**. Just a reminder, building permits are required for all new construction, even if you are performing work yourself. It is for the protection of you and the future owners.
- The **Vessel Project** at 125 Henkel Way has broken ground. They are in the early stages of site work
- **Kelson Row**: Foundations are complete on 5 of 11 buildings. Framing, plumbing and electrical has started on 4 of those buildings
- 1761 Silas (**former Scuba Shack**) a new gas station with drive thru is being constructed. The foundation has been completed.

Former Landfill - Wetlands

The owners of the former landfill located on Meadow Road have been issued citations by the Rocky Hill Open Space and Conservation Commission and a Notice of Violation by the CT DEEP. The owners have engaged the services of an engineering firm to address these violations.