

# Town of Weathersfield

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To: Selectboard & Residents

From: Town Manager Date: July 19, 2021

Re: Town Manager Report

Dear Selectboard Members & Weathersfield Residents:

#### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

We advertised the Town Accountant position in the Valley News, Eagle Times, and Indeed and received over 10 applications/ resumes. We started interviews on 7/15 & 7/16. I will keep you up to date as we move through this process.

#### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

We advertised Highway Operator positions over the past month and held several interviews. On 7/12 we hired Timothy Gagnier on 7/12. Mr. Gagnier has worked for the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation for 5 years and has a CDL, experience as a plow truck operator, heavy equipment, hand tools, flagging traffic, replacing culverts, guard rails, and general road maintenance. Mr. Gagnier's first day in Town is August 9<sup>th</sup>.

This replaces 1/2 positions we have available. I will keep you updated as we move forward.

#### WEATHERSFIELD MUSIC SERIES

The Weathersfield Music Series completed its first event last Friday. Although it rained the volunteer coordinator, June Brink, decided to continue on with the Event. Approximately 25 people attended the event. 11 events follow: Josh Hall - 7/16; Jesse Peters and the Lazy Cow Ice Cream Truck - 7/23; Jordan Oaks - 7/30; The MilkHouse Heaters - 08/6; Ella Atkinson and Ethan Shipulski - 08/13; AliT and Aurora's Smoothie Food Truck - 8/20; Rik Palieri - 8/27; Dan and Faith Senie - 9/3; Matt Meserve - 9/10; Jake McLaughlin - 9/17; and Friction Farm - 9/24. All events run on Fridays between 6-8. Several Parks and Recreation Members will be present at each event.

### FIRE DEPARTMENTS

We are in the process of developing a Capital Plan & Reporting Structure for each Department. The Police Department has moved into the Ascutney Fire House on Route 131 & the West Weathersfield Fire Department is in the process of reviewing emergency services.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE /TRI-TOWN PARTNERSHIP (Weathersfield, Ludlow, and Chester)

We have partnered with the Chamber of Commerce, Town of Ludlow, Town of Chester, and the ATA on a VOREC Community Grant Program joint application to the Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation for an estimated \$250,000. Each towns project is estimated between \$50,000 & \$60,000 & the goal is to strengthen the quality and extent of outdoor recreation in this area. I will keep you updated on this as we move through the application process. The full application is due on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Brandon Gulnick Town Manager