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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

January 26, 2021

Town Election Date

I am reviewing the feasibility of scheduling the local elections earlier than proposed following the close of Town Meeting. It may be feasible to hold the elections as early as June 8th. However, this will be dependent on when the Special Town Meeting(s) are scheduled and further other considerations that the Town Clerk may identify.

Speed Limit Reduction Franklin Street & Town

In response to increased vehicle crash rates on Franklin Street, Police Chief Mark Saloio is recommending the posted speed be reduced to 25 mph. Further, Chief Saloio did indicate that the Select Board may wish to consider reducing the posted speeds to 25 mph for all town streets posted 30 mph or above. The DPW Director and Chief Saloio can provide a schedule for implementing the speed reduction on Franklin Street and potential modifications of on-street parking. The Select Board needs to schedule a public hearing for the speed reduction on Franklin Street. The town-wide reduction in maximum speed to 25 mph can be considered at the same hearing. The Town should also consider traffic calming strategies for local roads as recently accomplished at Norton Avenue.

Financial Policies

The financial policies under consideration number 21. At this point, several policies are ready for approval. The remaining policies require further consideration. I anticipate you will require a future workshop. Under separate cover you will receive those policies that are ready for adoption and the remaining policies identified for additional consideration.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles

The warrant articles that are under consideration are as follows.

- 1. The Infrastructure Stabilization Fund
- 2. Road Improvements
- 3. Temporary School
- 4. Capital Projects
- 5. Repurpose Previously Approved Warrant Articles
- 6. OPED
- 7. General Stabilization Fund

The timeframe for receiving warrant articles is still open.

Respectfully Submitted

John W. Grande Town Administrator