

# TOWN STATUS REPORT

August 14, 2023

## 1. Municipal Building Lighting Replacement/Upgrade Project

In an effort to reduce municipal energy consumption and realize potential saving to tax payers, we are currently evaluating options to replace older, less efficient lighting and utilizing current lighting technologies. To that end, the Affinity LED Lighting Company recently completely a lighting audit to convert the lighting for all municipal buildings to LED. The projected initial investment to replace all of the interior lighting is approximately \$272,000 with a return on investment of 5 years. Thereafter, the annual savings to the Town would be approximately \$54,000 per year.

Affinity LED Lighting Company will be before the Board to discuss the analysis/findings and provide the funding options for review and consideration. Please refer to the bound report from Affinity LED Lighting Company for more detailed information and analysis. No action is required by the Board at this time.

## 2. 2024 Municipal Budget Update

The 2024 budgetary cycle is officially upon us. Department Heads have submitted their preliminary budgets. Over the course of this month, the Town Administrator and Finance Director will meet with Department Heads to review and discuss said budgets followed by a initial discussion with the Selectmen Chair and Vice Chair in early September.

## 3. Pennichuck Booster Pumping Station Project

Last month, the County Commissioners awarded the Water and Sewer Commissioners and Water Utilities Department w \$1,000,000 in County appropriated ARPA funds for the design and replacement of the Pennichuck Booster pumping station. According, to Director, Jim Pouliot, the new station will give Milford better operational control over the water that comes from the Pennichuck Water Works. On behalf of the Town, I would like publicly recognize Director Pouliot and each Commissioner for their efforts in receiving this grant and consistently seeking additional sources of funding for the benefit of rate payers and Town.

## 4. Board, Commission, Committee Volunteers

The Town is actively seeking volunteers seeking to serve on the various boards, commissions, and committees. The following is a listing of current vacancies:

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| • Board of Adjustment                    | 2 Alternate Positions |
| • Budget Advisory Committee              | TBD                   |
| • Capital Improvement Advisory Committee | 7 Full Time Positions |
| • Conservation Commission                | 2 Alternate Positions |
| • Economic Development Advisory Council  | TBD                   |
| • Granite Town Media                     | 1 Full Time Position  |
| • Recycling Committee                    | 1 Full Time Position  |
| • Planning Board                         | 2 Alternate Positions |

If you are interested in applying, please contact the Administration Office or visit the Town website at [www.milford.nh.gov](http://www.milford.nh.gov) and download /complete the volunteer application.