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MEMORANDAUM – OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINSTRATOR

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Carter Terenzini, Town Administrator

RE: FY 20 Second Quarter – Development Services

DATE: January 8, 2020

CC: Laurie A. Wiita, Director

The **Green Communities Grant** – Karen Chapman of MRPC presented the application packet for the grant to the BOS members; the board voted to move forward and submit when completed; application was submitted in time for the November 22 deadline. The town should receive some notification in February 2020 on the results.

The **Building Commissioner** issued thirty-six (36) permits in the second quarter of FY 20 including one new residential building permit (all others included additions, remodeling, sheet metal, wood/pellet stoves and roofing). The Commissioner, in conjunction with the Fire Chief, completed the annual safety inspections for the issuance of liquor licenses; The **Plumbing Inspector** issued twenty-two (22) permits for plumbing and nine (9) for gas. The **Wiring Inspector** issued forty-two (42) permits for various repairs, upgrades, and remodels. Rhonda Parenteau has now been with Development Services for 90 days and has proven to be an asset to the department; the Adm. Asst. II position remains vacant, but necessary.

ZBA – Bryan Thompson's request was continued to October; at the October meeting, Mr. Thompson provided updated plans and a reduced dwelling foot print, ZBA members approved a reduction of 10' for the back property line offset.

Agricultural Commission – No activity to report at this time; no nuisance farm animal complaints.

Planning Commission – Members approved four ANR requests for new lots on Shady, Brooks (2), and Carruth; Article 13 from the fall town meeting was approved, Article 14 required additional work and was ultimately approved by the AG's office; the office received an application for a storm water permit to operate a gravel pit on Gavin, in process; two meetings were cancelled in December, the 10th due to lack of agenda items and the 24th due to the holiday.



Conservation Commission completed five (5) site walks ranging from new residential to forestry complaint; members heard and approved the following requests: Templeton Fish & Game requested they be allowed to lower the pond for weed control, North County Land Trust presented a management plan for Barre Road, Cook, Lot 2 RDA no NOI required, NOI certificate of completion for 138 Farnsworth and Old Winchendon, Lot B, Cook Lot 10 RDA no NOI required, Brooks Lot C NOI, Carruth Lot 6 certificate of completion. Carruth, Lot 8 applied for an NOI – delayed until spring for a site walk; meeting of October 21 cancelled for lack of agenda items. Resident Amanda Suzzi attended the December 19 meeting and filled out the volunteer form to become a ConCom member.

Board of Health - has worked on three (3) housing complaints; all resolved; conducted nineteen (19) septic inspection; reviewed and approved ten (10) septic plans, nine new residential and one repair; witnessed eighteen (18) percs; reviewed five (5) Title 5 reports; issued two (2) well permits; landfill cap was maintained by mowing, inspected by MassDEP and well monitoring was completed with report filed to MassDEP, all with passing results; completed the Region II Emergency Management drill for the quarter; applied for and received administrative search warrants for abandoned properties at 23 Shore, 28 Albert and 29 Sawyer – unfortunately due to the two major snow storms we were unable to execute and will reapply in the spring; members of the Board of Health met with applicants for Templeton, LLC for the reclamation portion of a gravel permit application, after hearing both the applicants and the residents, the members voted to contact MassDEP and notify them that at this time they do not endorse the reclamation method or materials. Annual permit renewals were processed for rubbish haulers, septic haulers, septic installers, food establishments, and tobacco/nicotine.

