

# **Town Council Retreat / Work Session**



Wednesday, June 20, 2018, at 9:00 AM at Buckley's Great Steaks located at 438 Daniel Webster Highway in Merrimack, NH

## 9:00 AM Call to Order

The Town Council will be conducting a Facilitated Goals and Objective Work Session. The following topics are scheduled to be discussed:

- PFAS
  - a. Town's continued involvement
- Parks
  - a. Watson Park
    - i. Appearance
    - ii. Ice skating rink / Volleyball courts
    - iii. Maintenance completed and ongoing
  - **b.** Basketball court
  - **c.** Skateboard park
  - d. Wasserman Park
    - i. Buildings
    - ii. Docks and Waterfront

### Conservation Properties

- **a.** Inventory
- **b.** Enforcement of Rules
  - i. OHRVs
- **c.** Barriers to sensitive areas
- d. Trail Maintenance

### Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks

- a. Roads
  - i. Pavement Condition Index (PCI) and philosophy
  - ii. How much money needed to keep up
  - iii. Current and historical road repairs
- **b.** Bridges
  - i. Bedford Road bridge
  - ii. DW bridge over Baboosic Brook
  - iii. NH DOT Update
    - 1. FEET widening
- **c.** Culverts
- d. Sidewalks
  - i. Survey results
  - ii. Philosophy
  - iii. DW Highway?
- Merrimack River Boat Launch
- Town Buildings
  - **a.** Maintenance
  - **b.** Establishment of CRF (RSA 35)?

- c. Public Safety Building
  - i. Needs
  - ii. Funding Sources
    - 1. Shed Harris Fund??
    - 2. MPO \$650,000
    - 3. Fund Balance
  - iii. School District Land
- **d.** Library Update

#### Fund Balance

- **a.** Current policy
- **b.** Potential purchases
- Wastewater
  - a. Sewer Expansion Phase III Pending
  - **b.** AB Perlite Discussion ongoing
- Storm Water MS-4
  - **a.** History
    - **b.** Status
- Comcast Contract
  - **a.** Current Contract
  - b. Status of Negotiations
  - **Town Departments** 
    - **a.** Future Staffing (to include new apartments/hotels, etc.)
      - i. PD
        - 1. SIU update
      - ii. Fire
      - iii. Parks and Rec.
      - iv. PWD
      - v. Wastewater
    - **b.** Space needs
    - **c.** Employee recognition
  - **Budget Issues** 
    - a. NHRS
    - **b.** SRO Middle School
    - c. Union Contracts
- Communication with Residents
  - **a.** Get the word out
  - **b.** Get more Involvement / Volunteerism
  - **c.** Training program for volunteer (similar to Police Academy)
  - d. Surveys, Facebook (Social media one way) (ways to improve outreach to community)
- Athletic Fields

### **Comments from the Council**

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

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