

Coordinator Report August 9, 2018

Warwick has an option of first refusal to buy Chapter 61 properties that are going to be sold and taken out of the property tax current use program. We are in receipt of a letter regarding the Johnson Family land near WCS and should make a decision in light of development pressures and the WCS drinking water aquifer.

The Treasurer held an auction of the secured tax liabilities of a number of property tax delinquent properties. There was bidder interest in two of them, one home and one piece of raw land. Those two are paid off yielding the Town \$23,000 and a new creditor now holds the bag. The other two are in the process of Land Court foreclosure of the right of redemption. The McKnight property is one of these.

Warwick sought Federal Brownfield funding to do the next phase of testing through the COG on the McKnight property. Because of how slowly we walked this process they had to reallocate the testing money to another project in need.

We had been reluctant to take any action fearing the possible environmental conditions being attached to the owner; and have subsequently learned we as a Town have safe harbor provided we notify DEP of the suspected conditions, report and avoid doing things to make the environmental situation worse, once we have site control.

I had some more conversation with Doc about my conflict of interest as elected SC member and Coordinator. We will keep this on the front burner as matters at Pioneer proceed. Remember an important meeting of our stakeholders next Thursday August 16 at Pioneer with DOR, DESE, School Committee, Selectboard and Finance Committee members.

MIIA announces its next grant program with a November deadline and I will seek a second instance of the PD dash camera deployment.

Our first service of the heat pumps was done this week by Gates Plumbing and no issues were revealed. This was part of their contracted follow-up and represents one year since these were deployed.

It looks like this summer construction season and the Green Communities Grant awards are not lining up and the whole contract is proposed to be extended by a year. Rather than amend, they are reissuing the contract for chairman's signature.

Net meter credits begin appearing on departmental electric bill from NGrid this month and per the contract will continue for twenty years. The department's NGrid bill may show prepayment and nothing due. This is because three months of electric production got billed in the first month.

Each department needs to pay its share of the three invoices I've put in their mailboxes. We contract for a percentage of the production of a facility in Clinton MA. If you don't feel like you are saving money, recognize that production will not mirror departmental electrical demand. This time of year, we are buying more energy credits that we use. They don't expire, and we are buying at a deep discount. \$100 worth of bill credits costs \$75 each. In time Department's may find they need to actually pay nGrid some full value dollars to stay paid in full for the electric bill. I instructed departments to submit the associated NGrid bill with the C2 net meter credit invoices so Accountant can keep track of these transactions and balances.