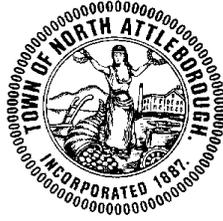


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Town Manager



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### INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** Monday, February 12, 2024  
**TO:** Town Council  
**FROM:** Michael D. Borg, Town Manager  
**RE:** Town Manager Report

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Below are key activities, that I think would be of interest:

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

- **Town Flooding:** Continuing to work with FEMA, MEMA, and our local representatives to provide relief from the recent flooding in Town. The Governor has included \$10 million of flood relief funds in the supplemental budget submission for this FY. We will continue to work closely with the Commonwealth to help coordinate relief efforts with North Attleborough residents when that funding becomes available. We are hopeful that funding will be released this coming spring.
- **We are watching and preparing for the upcoming snowstorm 02/13/2024. Anticipating 8-12 inches of snowfall to begin on Tuesday, February 13, 2024.**

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

- **North TV:** Town Manager Report with North TV was held on 1/29/2024 and is available for viewing on North TV.
- **Community Forum:** Town Manager Borg held the first event of his new Community Conversations series at Habibi's Middle Eastern Kitchen on Thursday, 2/8/2024. DPW Director Mark Hollowell and Fire Chief Chris Coleman attended to answer any community questions regarding flooding and drainage throughout the Town. The event was very well attended. Many of those in attendance spoke about flooding and the impact of recent storms on the East Street area. Those who missed the event can watch it on North TV. These events will be held monthly at different businesses throughout town with special guests in attendance. Keep an eye on our social media channels for details about our March event.
- **NAFD Ceremony:** Ceremony to Swear in Newly Appointed Firefighters and Promotions within the Fire Department was held on 1/23/2024 at 6:00 PM.
  - **Congratulations to the following Officers on their promotions:**
    - Assistant Fire Chief George McKinnon
    - Captain Scott Langille
    - Lt. Rich Cullen
    - Fire Superintendent James Kern

- **Congratulations to the New Firefighters Sworn in:**
  - Firefighter/Advanced EMT Andres Nunez
  - Firefighter/Advanced EMT Tyler Ruggiero
  - Firefighter/Paramedic Mike Gilligan

#### **OPERATIONAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES:**

- **Health Department:** The Health Department has moved back down to the lower level of Town Hall. Lenore's Pantry is now accepting donations again. We are hopeful to restock shelves quickly and begin providing a much-needed service to address food insecurity here in Town. We expect Lenore's Pantry to be back to normal operations by the end of February. We thank the community for their continued support and generosity of the pantry.
- **Emerald Square Mall:** We are continuing to host and engage interested developers in projects in and around the Emerald Square Mall. Discussions about the sewer pump at the mall are ongoing. Our team is working closely with the DPW, the Board of Public Works and the Planning Board in this matter.
- **NAHS Building Project:** A community meeting to discuss the project and introduce the design team was held on February 8, 2024. To kick off the meeting, Superintendent Antonucci introduced the Building Committee, OPM Vertex Companies, and project architects Dore & Whittier. A detailed slideshow and video were then presented to those in attendance, summarizing the Massachusetts School Building Authority process and timeline, the schools' current deficiencies and needs for a 21st-century education, and similar projects Dore & Whittier have completed. Community members were invited to provide feedback at the end of the slideshow presentation. Many in attendance spoke about concerns they have for the current school facility and things they'd like to have considered in the design phase, along with questions about the financial impact the project will have.
- **451 Elm Street:** We are in possession of the building and working closely with the current tenant, Scribble Time, to develop a contract for their use of a portion of the building. The following projects are starting to move forward at the building; the sub-slab ventilation system, design and schematic for regional food distribution and Town use, building code compliance evaluation, and ADA accessibility.
- **Ten Mile River:** We have met with the U.S. Army Corps. Of Engineers to discuss options and actions available to North Attleborough.
- **Annual Town Elections:** Currently scheduled for April 2, 2024. Please see the Town's website for current positions that are open and deadlines for applications.
- **Solid Waste:** Solid Waste Sticker Applications will be going out in the mail this month. Be on the lookout for these in the mail.

#### **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

- The **Preliminary Budget** presentation will be presented tonight, February 12, 2024.

#### **PERSONNEL:**

- **Conservation Administrator:** Tyler Simonds has been hired as the new Conservation Administrator for the Town of North Attleborough. He is here tonight for the Town Council's confirmation of appointment.

- **Building Commissioner:** We have extended an offer to Hong Li to be our next Building Commissioner. The tentative start for Hong is March 4, 2024, and confirmation before the Town Council is scheduled for March 11, 2024. This appointment is subject to background investigation and Town Council confirmation.
- **Director of Facilities:** We have extended an offer to Timothy Chouinard to be the Director of Facilities. The tentative start date for Timothy is February 26, 2024, and confirmation before the Town Council is scheduled for February 26, 2024. This appointment is subject to background investigation and Town Council confirmation.
- **Veterans Agent:** Interviews will be held this week for the Veterans Agent vacancy.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **Construction Superintendent-GR. 7-Water Department-Deadline January 31, 2024**
- **Water Quality Supervisor- Full Time- DPW-Open until filled.**
- **Many School Department Opportunities:** Please visit the website for more information: <https://www.nattleboro.com/Jobs.aspx>