



April 12, 2012

Board of Selectmen  
195 Main Street  
Maynard, Massachusetts 01754

Honorable Board of Selectmen;

Please accept this as an abridged accounting of activities related to my efforts as Town Administrator;

**Annual Town Meeting;** As we inch ever closer to Annual Town Meeting the issues seem to be clearer. I cannot thank Becky Mosca and Atty. Mead for helping to get the warrant this far. The developers hoping to get something before us did not meet the deadlines. As I explained to a few of them the BOS may consider calling a Special Town Meeting”, but there would have to clear advantages to the town to take that path.

In those conversations I suggested that it may make sense for them to consider the traditional Fall Special Town Meeting. It will also allow their plans to be discussed and considered by the public. At this juncture we have received no requests, plans or concepts for either 109 Powdermill or 129 Parker, just ideas and speculation. We know we cannot make decisions on ideas and speculation, so we will not.

**Reo/Coolidge Renovations;** On April 10<sup>th</sup> I attended both the Reo and the Coolidge “Conceptual Design” meetings. They were well attended by well enthused members of each advocacy group. Leslie Fanger of BSC Group led the discussion. The next step will be the Preliminary Design” meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup> which will add detail and start to evaluate costs more closely. There will be a Community Meeting which we hope will be broadcast on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in The MJG Room.

After the ATM vote the plans can be finalized and a course towards renovation will then be insight. Both groups bring incredible energy and in some cases are working to insure there are more kids on the way to utilize this investment.

**GIS Mapping;** Earlier on May 10<sup>th</sup> many of us met with Tim Fountain from Cartographics. They provide GIS on-line mapping and we are looking to expand it use and accuracy in FY 13. In the budget we have included \$16,000 to enhance the system so that we will be able to meet the needs of the future. The advancements will allow us to track citizens who have oxygen dependency, have disabilities, map parade routes, review bus routes, develop evacuation plans, provide accurate boundaries for parcels and more.

This will also allow us to be part of a State GIS upgrade for PSAP and 911 compatibility. This is investment will pay benefits when they are needed the most.

**Pedal Pusher;** Some of you may hear about a new place to by plants a Maynard resident has open a small business selling plants out of a truck in downtown. We have reviewed it with both the State Division of Standards and Town Counsel and his operation is fully compliant. The “Pedal Pusher” hopes

to grow into a permanent space and specialize in outdoor plantings and lawn care products. Perhaps a potential new business in downtown, one never knows where the next big business will come from.

Thank you for your attention and support

Michael J. Sullivan

Town Administrator