

Memorandum

Office of the
Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator

TO: Honorable Board of Selectmen

FROM: Jill R. Myers, Town Administrator

DATE : September 10, 2009

SUBJECT: Town Administrator's Report for the BOS Meeting of September 15, 2009

MA Municipal Fire and Police Staffing Grants; ARRA Stimulus Grants: The Fire Department is seeking \$91,994 to address staffing and service reductions as a result of municipal budget reductions in the current fiscal year (FY2010). Similarly, the Police Department is seeking a \$50,000 grant under its services staffing grant. Senate President Murray provided letters of support, as did I for the grant submittal.

Wind Turbine Design and Procurement Grant: As was stated verbally on 9/1, we received the Green Communities Planning Assistance grant. I expect to receive the contract and consultant information soon.

The Green Energy Committee and I met with invited designers/wind consultants on 8/27, and subsequently solicited a written proposal for a scope of work based on those meetings. The Committee then met on 9/3 and recommended Weston and Sampson be selected as the designing engineer/wind consultant, and I concurred. These services will be paid with grant funds received from the MA Technology Collaborative (MTC) Renewable Energy Trust. Services provided will include wind turbine design, permitting, and procurement.

Other/Miscellaneous:

- Nancy Howlett and I attended the Technology Committee Meeting on 9/9;
- I met with Executive Director Ciaramella from the Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) on 9/10 to discuss collaboration on economic development activities, including ETA, technical assistance opportunities, and potential regional service offerings including GIS;
- Attended FinCom meeting on 9/10;
- Scheduled Budget Advisory Committee meeting for 9/18 to kick off FY11 budget priority planning efforts.

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you!