

## Selectmen Update

The Selectmen and Town Manager have been working for the last several months to put together the budget for the upcoming year. In addition to the regular items in every annual budget, there will be several special items this year.

First, there will be a secret ballot vote for a new 6-man cab pumper fire truck (June 9<sup>th</sup>). The Selectmen and the Budget Committee do NOT support the passage of this proposal. There will be a public hearing on this matter on May 26<sup>th</sup> at the Windsor Elementary School.

Second, there will be two articles at Town Meeting regarding the purchase of two public works trucks. The first item will be to borrow up to \$175,000 to replace one of our large plow trucks. The second article is to approve the purchase of a 2 ton plow truck from our reserve account (\$107,000).

Third, there will be an article to appropriate \$75,000 from our Undesignated Fund Balance (Surplus) toward a replacement First Responder/Rescue vehicle.

These last three articles are supported by a majority of both the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

In other town news, the Town Office interior renovation has been completed with more outside work to be done this spring/summer-the new generator is up and working as well; progress continues at the Transfer Station with work on the bulky/metal container area and further work on the scale and gate area to occur in the near future.

We will also complete the paving work on the Choate Road as soon as conditions allow.

Much progress has been made in our town over the last few years and we appreciate the support we get from the residents as we move forward. As always, we encourage you to come to our Selectmen meetings every other Tuesday night.