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To: *Board of Selectmen*

From: *Mark W. Haddad – Town Manager*

Subject: *Weekly Report*

Date: *March 7, 2016*

1. Scheduled on Monday's Agenda is just one item. The Board of Selectmen will be meeting in joint session with the Board of Library Trustees to appoint a citizen to fill a vacancy on the Board of Trustees caused by the resignation of Barbara Lamont. This appointment will last until the Spring Election at which time they can run for the remaining term which is due to expire in 2017. The Library Trustees (along with Selectman Eliot) interviewed three candidates and are recommending that the Selectmen support the appointment of Marilyn Dabritz of 403 Main Street. Enclosed in your packet is a copy of Ms. Dabritz's letter of interest for your review.
2. Enclosed with this report is the first draft of the 2016 Spring Town Meeting Warrant. I would like to take a few minutes at Monday's meeting reviewing the Warrant. Please note that the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee will be conducting a public hearing on the Warrant on Monday, March 21st. We can discuss this further at Monday's meeting.
3. At your meeting last week, Alison Manugian, a member of the School Committee, asked that the Board consider changing the make-up of the Budget Sustainability Committee to include a member of the School Committee. She has submitted an interest form. The Board may want to consider this change. In addition to that, the Board needs to fill the two citizen vacancies on the Committee (or one if you decide to add a School Committee representative). Four residents have expressed an interest in serving on the Committee: Stephen Lane, Kevin Forsmo, Kevin Lindemer and Kevin Brogan. I have invited them to the meeting to interview with Board.
4. Please note that the Finance Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. to continue their review of the Proposed FY 2017 Operating Budget. I have posted a Selectmen's Meeting for that time as well. We may want to review the various budget scenarios we presented last week. In addition, enclosed with this report are various five year projections taking into consideration the various budgets, as well as the impact of the School Budget at both three (3%) percent growth and 4.7% growth. I look forward to our continued review and discussion concerning the proposed Budget.

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