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To: *Board of Selectmen*

From: *Mark W. Haddad – Town Manager*

Subject: *Weekly Report*

Date: *August 7, 2017*

1. Please note that Monday's meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the continuation of workshop on the Board's Policies and Procedures. Enclosed with this report is a marked-up version of the policies as edited by Selectman Manugian. Her proposed changes are in blue (please note that I made one change on Page 7 under Board's Standard of Conduct). We can discuss this further at Monday's Workshop. The regular meeting will commence at 7:00 p.m. Scheduled on Monday's Agenda are two items. First, the Senior Center Building Committee will be in attendance to update the Board on their work. Second, as discussed at your last meeting, we have scheduled an Executive Session for the Board to receive an update on the Boynton Meadows issue. We have invited the Housing Trust to participate in the Executive Session. Enclosed with this report are the questions sent to Mr. France's Attorney. I hope to have the answers for your meeting on Monday. Town Counsel will also be in attendance.
2. At your July 17th meeting, I provided the Board with a proposal to consolidate the Assistant Assessor and Assistant Town Clerk's positions, as well as, create a part-time Assessors Assistant position. I had also recommended that we make the interim appointment of Jonathan Greeno as Principal Assessor permanent. Instead of repeating the proposal here, I would ask that you refer to my July 17th Town Manager's Report. Since that meeting, I have received formal comments from the Board of Assessors, Town Clerk and Personnel Board (meeting minutes) on this proposal. They are attached to this report for your review and consideration. To summarize, the Personnel Board and Board of Assessors are in unanimous support of making the appointment of Jonathan Greeno permanent. The Personnel Board is in unanimous support of the consolidation of the positions, while the Town Clerk and Board of Assessors are opposed and want to leave the positions as they are currently established. I would respectfully request that the Board take a final position on this proposal at Monday's meeting. I look forward to discussing this in more detail with the Board.
3. At your last meeting, I provided the Board with the updated proposed policy for "Friendly 40B" for Local Initiative Program Projects. The Board made a couple of changes and asked that it be brought back to this week's meeting for formal adoption. Enclosed with this report is the final policy. I would respectfully request that the Board vote to adopt this policy at Monday's meeting.

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4. We are scheduled to receive the draft report on the Operational Audit from Matrix Consulting Group. The Audit Review Committee is scheduled to meet to review the draft report on Friday, August 4th. I have set aside time on Monday's Agenda for me to provide the Board with an update. I will forward the draft report to the Board under separate cover.

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