



## TOWN OF GROTON

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## Select Board

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**Town Manager**  
Mark W. Haddad

**To:** *Select Board*

**From:** *Mark W. Haddad – Town Manager*

**Subject:** *Weekly Report*

**Date:** *March 4, 2019*

1. In addition to the Town Manager's Report and an update on the on-going issues list, there is one item scheduled on Monday's Agenda. The Fire Department Task Force Study Committee will be in attendance to provide the Select Board with their Final Report. I have enclosed a copy of their report with the Agenda. In addition, the Call Firefighters have submitted a report as well for your review and consideration. That report is also enclosed with the Agenda. I have invited the Finance Committee to the meeting to hear the presentation.
2. Enclosed with this report is a draft letter of support for the Housing Coordinator's CPA Application for the Housing Production Plan. I would respectfully request that the Board consider approving this letter at Monday's meeting.
3. As discussed at your meeting of February 11, 2019, I have scheduled time on the Agenda for the Select Board to continue your discussion on reviewing the Country Club and potential housing development. To assist with the discussion, I have enclosed the original Committee charge that I drafted, along with the proposal from Select Board Member Pine. I look forward to discussing this in more detail with the Board at Monday's meeting.
4. I have set aside time on the Agenda for the Board to continue its discussion and potentially make a decision on Retiree Health Insurance Cost Share. As you are aware, the cost share is currently set at 65 Town/35 Retiree. The Board previously voted to maintain all current retirees at 65/35, but wanted to discuss whether or not to change the Cost Share for future retirees. We can discuss this in more detail at Monday's meeting.
5. I have made all of the revisions to the 2019 Spring Town Meeting Warrant requested by the Board at last week's meeting. I have enclosed a copy of the updated draft of the Warrant with this report for your review. I would like to take a few moments at Monday's meeting reviewing this draft with the Board.

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6. At last week's meeting we discussed the issue of whether or not to have one or two debt exclusion questions for the Highway Garage and Library Roof Projects. You will notice in the Warrant that I have split the question and drafted a separate debt exclusion question for each project. I would respectfully request that the Select Board determine if there will be one or two questions and then, pursuant to M.G.L., c59, §21C, I would respectfully request that the Board place this/these question(s) on the 2019 Annual Election Ballot.
7. I have set aside time on the Agenda for the Board to continue discussing the Proposed 2020 Operating Budget. At this time, I do not have an update for the Board, however, depending on the Task Force Discussion, the Board may want to discuss any budgetary impacts with the Finance Committee at Monday's meeting.

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