

Town Administrator Report
October 6, 2014

1. QRTP. Along with Selectmen Scot Pempek and Owen Tarr and Economic Community Development Director Delpha Very, attended meeting of the Brooklyn Board of Selectmen to discuss aspects of the Interlocal Agreement with that town in anticipation of the Selectmen voting to bring the issue of joining with Putnam on the Tech Park to a town vote. Provided Selectmen with an amended working draft to address some items of concern in the draft. Selectmen voted to bring issue to an October 9th town meeting vote. Provided Pomfret First Selectman with latest working draft for their use when they take joining the Tech Park to a town meeting vote on October 7th. Still working with Greater Hartford YMCA's attorneys over the draft deed conveyance of the 15 acres from the Town to the RCYMCA.
2. WPCA. After review of the four qualifications proposals received for Operation, Maintenance and Management partnership, the WPCA narrowed the list down to two firms, United Water and Veolia, for receiving pricing and project approach proposals for sewer operations. Requested proposals will also include an alternate for operation of the water system. Lift stations project lowest apparent bidder will be awarded by the WPCA at their meeting next week. The water line replacement/relining project Contract 1 went out to bid October 1st with bids submittal on November 4th. Research is still being conducted on the best design for the construction of a manganese treatment system at the well fields.

Attended meeting with state Department of Public Health to discuss "Available Water" definition under the Town's proposed Water Supply Plan. Discussion was framed in terms of Town's ability to attract new industrial and commercial development if there was strict interpretation of available water when the Little River could not be used as a source if water levels were down. State will work with us on options.

3. Council of Small Towns Board. Attended board meeting and biggest concern of group were the onerous provisions DEEP was proposing for a new general permit for the Municipal Stormwater Sewer System operations. New provisions would require additional and costly staff time and would be just another additional unfunded state mandate. DEEP is holding a hearing on proposals and we will submit testimony.
4. Ash Landfill Viability Committee. Committee, after years of discussion and review of numerous drafts, approved a final draft to present to the Board of Selectmen for eventual town meeting consideration. Draft is being finalized by the attorneys and should be available for next October meeting.
5. PRIDE – Drug Free Coalition. Coalition sponsored Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, September 27th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Putnam Farmer's Market. 190.4 pounds were dropped off and there were 105 cars that drove up. Between the

Drug Take Back Days and the drop-off lock box at the Police Station. Putnam has collected over 2,000 lbs.

6. Meetings Attended. Open House of Northeast Connecticut Probate Court. Putnam High School Building Committee meeting. Appeared on WINY to promote Drug Take Back Day. Sat in on bid openings for special inspection testing services at high school and sewer lift station project.