



## TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW

Town Manager's Report

October 9, 2018

Good evening -

Much of my time the last couple of weeks has been spent on documenting our agreements with the various unions. I have also been updating the form employment contract for exempt employees that really needed updating and working with a few employees whose contracts need renewal. As contracts are renewed, I have also established an annual review process.

Since we last met, I received official notification from the Town Attorney that he had heard from Hampden's Town Attorney Rose Crowley that "The Hampden Board of Selectmen discussed East Longmeadow's proposal to host a dispatch facility. They are willing to continue negotiating the original plan of a dispatch facility in Hampden and do not wish to pursue a facility in East Longmeadow". Attorney Maynard has asked Attorney Crowley if she could provide some insight as to the reasoning for rejecting our counterproposal. He has not received a reply.

Also regarding civilian dispatch, we will be interviewing candidates for the Dispatch Director position next week and are currently advertising for dispatchers.

A reminder that the Flu Clinic will be held tomorrow, October 10. The Clinic will be at the Town Hall parking lot from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

I have tickets for the Veterans Memorial Committee Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser if you plan to attend. For planning the amount of food needed, they prefer as many advanced ticket sales as possible. The dinner is October 12 from 5-7:30 p.m.; tickets are \$12 per person.

There have been a few changes in the Historical Commission, however the Commission continues to look forward to having an active role with the 125th anniversary celebration.

Senator Lesser's office informed me that the Senator is waiting for the grant for the police station to be addressed by the Governor.

You should all have received an invitation from Senator Lesser to meet jointly with the Senator and our counterparts within his State Senate District. It is a chance to informally "compare notes and share what's happening". It is Monday, October 22 at 3 p.m. in the Longmeadow High School's Community Meeting Room. The Senator's Senior Advisor has asked for an RSVP so if you let me know, I can respond for those of us attending from East Longmeadow.

I will be out of the office next Monday through Wednesday October 15-17 but as always available by phone if needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Menard