



TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW

Town Manager's Report

March 12, 2019

Good evening -

I again apologize for missing the Capital Project workshop last week. I understand that the workshop was a success. Under the Financial Matters section of the agenda, we can discuss whether we need another workshop before the March 27 Council meeting. As my days are filled with working on the budget for the last couple of weeks, my report this evening will be brief.

Congratulations to Sergeant James Gagnon who was recently promoted from Patrolman after passing the Sergeant's exam. The Sergeant vacancy was due to the departure of Sergeant Joseph Dalessio.

We have received notification that East Longmeadow's Chapter 90 apportionment for Fiscal Year 2020 is \$581,366. The current year's apportionment is \$580,792 with a supplemental \$116,158 added in October.

The 125th Anniversary Celebration Committee Pasta/Chicken Dinner was a great success. It was great to see the community coming together to begin the celebration of our 125th Anniversary.

Prior to Tuesday's meeting, I will provide updated information on outstanding developers bonds. Both the Public Works Superintendent and the Planner have been working on updates, however our schedules did not allow us to connect today. As soon as I have them in hand, I will send them along and provide hard copies at the meeting. I understand this info will be discussed at a future Council meeting.

I attended another Veteran's District meeting in Monson last week to work on defining hours per week per community and a job description for the District's Veterans Services Officer (VSO). The meeting was a great start toward defining the communities served by the District expectations of the VSO. Those communities are East Longmeadow, Hampden, Monson and Wales. The next meeting is Wednesday March 13 at the Monson Town Hall at 4 pm. I am confident that we are on a path that will meet the goal of providing more outreach and services to our veterans.

The Council President, Fire Chief and I attended the Western Mass Fire Chiefs' Association's Annual Legislative Breakfast. I have attached a portion of the program that describes the legislation they are advocating for this year. Any support you can provide through advocacy would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Menard

Dates to Remember

- April 5 Veterans Memorial Committee's Dance @ The Elks, 440 Tiffany Street in Springfield
- April 13 Lions First Annual Spring Fishing Derby, from 7a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

April 20 Egg Hunt @ Heritage Park 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.