

First Selectman's Report July 17, 2018

On July 1, 2018, Morris welcomed a new Fire Service to Town, the Morris Fire Company. The new Fire Company now has 38 members and growing. Engine 1 is back in service and the work on Engine 5 is progressing well.

The Town received a member equity check from CIRMA, the Town insurer, in the amount of \$4,198.00.

Town Meeting – A Town Meeting was held on June 28 and the Townspeople voted to approve several ordinances including the ability to appoint the Town Tax Collector and Town Treasurer. Dan Coutu was re-elected to the Board of Education and approval was given to purchase a generator for the James Morris School.

Highway Department – The roads have chip sealed and swept. Road side mowing is almost complete and work will begin on drainage for Anderson Road and pipe replacement at the Transfer Station. Once the drainage is complete on Anderson Road, the road will be reclaimed and paved. Tree trimming is also in progress. The First Selectman loaned the Highway Department a flail mower to test to see if it was the type of mower they are looking to purchase.

Town Hall Projects – New alarm system installation will begin late this week or early next week. Still waiting on word from the contractor for the lower entry door replacement. The ceiling in the elevator hallway will be finished once work is completed for the alarm installation.

James Morris School solar array installation has begun and is expected to be completed by the end of August.

Attended and participated in the following meetings: Zoning Board of Appeals, Town Meeting, Two Northwest Hills Council of Government meetings.

Meetings with various department heads and employees including: Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Assessor, Treasurer, Activities Director, Building Inspector, Planning and Zoning/Zoning Enforcement Officer, Torrington Area Health Department, Morris Fire Company Chief, Morris Fire Company President, and Highway Department.

Had 36 in office contacts and 45 phone contacts with members of the public and vendors.

Upcoming meetings with the Department of Public Health, Fire House Architect, Joint meeting with Superintendent Chris Leone, Goshen First Selectman Bob Valentine and Warren First Selectman Craig Nelson. A final utility meeting on the Smokey Hollow Bridge Project.