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First Selectman's Report:

The Highway Department is working on trimming and removing trees, grinding stumps and getting ready for spring. They expect to start the East Shore Rd drainage work in early May and pave sections of the road this summer.

The Morris Housing Plan Steering Committee has been meeting on a regular basis and will be hosting a Public Forum on March 24th at 7:00 on Zoom. Preregistration is available on the Town website. Morris has received the $15,000.00 grant from the State to fund the housing plan.

The Transfer Station Wall Replacement Project has gone out to bid with a due date of March 31, 20201 @ 2:00 PM.

A RFP has been posted for a generator installation at the Community Hall with a due date of April 16, 2021.

A RFP has been posted for exterior stair replacement on the south side of the Fire House.

The First Selectman is currently working with Region 6 to move forward with a generator installation for the James Morris School. Currently there is approximately 58,000 set aside for the project. The project will go out to bid in early April and if approved, installation should take place this summer.

We are working with FEMA for debris removal reimbursement from Storm Isaias last August. The process may take several months to receive the reimbursement and we expect to receive between $6-7000.00.

The First Selectman has participated in meetings with the following committees: Inland Wetlands, Planning and Zoning, Sewer Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Beach and Recreation, Board of Finance, Housing Plan Steering Committee, Eversource, Northwest Hills Council of Governments, Connecticut Council of Governments Legislative Committee, FEMA, Pension Commission, Resource Management Committee 7, Northwest Transit District, Regional Emergency Planning Team Steering Committee.

The First Selectman provided testimony in support of Senate Bill 952 which would raise the virtual net metering cap and allow solar projects like the one the Town of Morris is proposing at the Transfer Station to move forward.