Residents and Taxpayers

As many of you know, we lost Dave Williams on June 3, 2018. He was our First Selectman for almost 3 years. He was a member of the MVFD and a retired fire fighter from Abington, Mass. Dave and his wife Marilyn moved to Mariaville in 2008. Dave was instrumental getting the new sign for the Town Hall, Gerry and Craig made the installation and turned it on for him.

We would like to thank Gerry for his many years of service to his town. He has played several roles, first as a member of the planning board for six years. Then, in 2005, he joined the board of selectmen, for almost 13 years. He played an important part on the board, he was always around to do the things that others did not have the time to do or did not see needing to be done. One of the things that gave satisfaction, was helping place the American Flags for Memorial Day on our veteran’s graves. First, it was Bill and Gerry, then Gerry and Dave, the lastly Gerry and Craig doing that honor. I hope he will still be able to help carry on with that honor. On behalf of the Town, we thank you, for all the things you have done, from flags, a bag of garbage from the town hall, to all the suppers you supported. Thank You.

In September, the Town voted to move forward and build a new fire station with the Town of Otis. It is being built on land owned by both towns for many years, a gift from Hervey Phillips in 1975 and is on the Olive Carr Road. The land has been cleared, the design has been set and we are awaiting approval from the Fire Marshall’s Office, then it goes out to bid.

The Town has cut back the ROW on the Rte.181 end of Olive Carr Road, for the new power line and expect road work to be in the Spring of 2019. The second part of the clearing of the Olive Carr Road will be done by the end of June 2019. This will greatly improve the road for travel and maintenance. The road will be plowed beyond the old Carr Farm House, in 2019-20 for the first time in many years.

Bob Cote was chosen as the project manager for the construction of the new fire station. Bob, Scott Baron and Karen Murray are on the building committee for this project. They have put in countless hours working on the design.

After many years of complaints to MaineDOT about the water problem and the narrowness of the road on the Garland Bridge on 181. The shoulders were built back and new guardrail was placed. Now, it is a boulevard over Garland Brook. On an interesting note to that
project, our very own second selectman, Craig worked on that project while he worked for MaineDOT. He has since moved on to a more rewarding career.

I will not be seeking a position on the board at the next town meeting, two very qualified individuals have stepped forward, and taken an interest in seeking an office. They have attended several select board meetings and have had input on the budget.

Sincerely

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