

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 6, 2016

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Financial

- * **Affirmed the Triple A Bond Rating from Moody's Investors Services**
- * **Executed the sale of the Woodfall Road property for \$1,750,000**
- * **Coordinated comprehensive presentations which remain on website:**
 - * **Pension Obligation Bonds/OPEB Liabilities**
 - * **Belmont Sewer and Storm Drain System Rehabilitation**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Financial

- * **Establish Financial Task Force Implementation Committee**
 - * **Carry out the Financial Task Force Recommended Recreation Strategic Plan Process to develop strategic goals, objectives and recommendations for 5 years.**
- * **New Electric, Water and Sewer Billing, Collection and Accounting System**
- * **Increased investment in roads and sidewalk pavement management as a result of the override last year.**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Community

- * **Cushing Village - extension granted to August 26, 2016 for the sale of the Parking Lot**
- * **Provided support to the Logan Airport Noise Advisory Committee**
- * **Purple Heart Community Designation**
 - * **A ceremony is scheduled for August 7, 2016**
- * **The Memorial Day Ceremony is rescheduled for Saturday, June 18 at 10AM at the Belmont Cemetery**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Community

- * **The Bid for Solid Waste Collection contract beginning July 1, 2018 will be available late 2017/early 2018. In preparation of the Bid development during the coming months, the following actions are planned to for development of policy options considered for the Town of Belmont:**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Community

- * **Precinct meetings and other public meetings**
- * **Audits to determine barrel counts and size**
- * **Surveys asking specific questions on collection methods, scheduling of collection**
- * **Some residents may be selected to conduct a performance trial of an automated cart. These carts will vary in size and participants will be a representative sample.**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Community

- * **Piloting a recycling drop-off site for residents to bring recyclables to a specified site to drop-off excess materials.**
- * **But most importantly, resident input during this time is critical for everyone. Resident participation will help define a program that offers everyone the services that are desirable now and for the future of Belmont.**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Capital Improvements

- * **Belmont Center - Scheduled completion by end of July/early August**
 - * **Greenspace - build short wall, add sidewalks, plant trees**
 - * **Driveway - finish surface with brick and concrete**
 - * **Leonard St./Concord Ave. - final course of paving, plant trees**
 - * **Locatelli property - Coordinate Construction Sidewalk along the building**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Capital Improvements

- * **Scheduled completion Summer 2016**

Final Steps For Trapelo Road Completion:

- * **Sidewalk construction at Belmont Street end**
- * **Final paving from Cushing Square to Cambridge line**
- * **Adjust all new traffic signals**
- * **Finish shade tree planting**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Capital Improvements

- * **The PARE Corporation was selected for the process of identifying routes and funding options for approval by the Board of Selectmen.**
- * **Include an engineering assessment of the path segments and determine the viability of the options.**
- * **Provide a budget for constructing a path based on the proposed path segments.**
- * **Findings of the feasibility study will help the Board of Selectmen decide on a route for the path.**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Capital Improvements

**The Belmont High School Building Committee
has begun meeting to meet the required Mass
School Building Authority eligibility periods**

FY 16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

BHS Capital Improvements

MODULE ONE Deliverable	Days	Eligibility Period Due Date and Status
Initial Compliance Certification	30	March 11, 2016 – DONE
School Building Committee Named	60	April 19, 2016 – DONE
Educational Profile Questionnaire	90	May 10, 2016 – DONE
Online Enrollment Projection	90	May 10, 2016 – DONE
Enrollment/Certification Executed	180	August 8, 2016 – Required
Maintenance and Capital Planning Information	180	August 8, 2016 –Required
Local Vote Authorization	270	Nov. 7, 2016 –DONE
Feasibility Study Agreement	270	Nov. 7, 2016 –Required

Blair Pond Substation and Transmission Line Project Update

May 25, 2016



Blair Pond Substation and Transmission Line Project

Where We Are:

Overall Schedule Progress

Permitting	100%
Engineering	100%
Procurement	99%
Construction	75%



Blair Pond Substation and Transmission Line Project

Where We Are:

- Substation Building – completed
- Transformer Delivery and Installation – completed
- Switchgear Installation – completed
- \$53.7 million approved financing by Town Meeting in 2012
- \$32.8 million expended to date (through April 2016)
- \$20.9 million in remaining funding

Blair Pond Substation and Transmission Line Project

What's Next:

- Final substation site cleanup, paving, etc – June 2016
- Installation of 115kV transmission line pipe and cable from Alewife to Blair Pond Substation – Summer 2016
- Energization – Fall 2016
- Retirement of 450 Concord Ave Substation – 2022
- Reimbursement from Eversource upon completion of Transmission Line installation
- Remaining Challenges: Differing site conditions along transmission line route, interface/coordination with external stakeholders

GOALS FOR FY17

- * **Implement Strategic Planning Process and Coordinate Goal-Setting**
- * **Resolution of the Sale of Cushing Square Parking Lot – Cushing Village**
- * **Implement Parking Management Plan for Belmont Center**
- * **Implement Recreation Strategic Plan**
- * **Develop Capital Plan for next Phase of Sewer and Storm Water Monitoring and Rehabilitation**

GOALS FOR FY17

- * **Completion of Community Path Feasibility Study**
- * **Process to determine FUTURE USE of former incinerator site located on Concord Ave. for Recreational, Public Works, or other Municipal Uses will begin, if the Town Meeting votes to accept conveyance of the property as required by the Special Legislation in 2014 requested by the Town.**