



Town Manager's Report

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Parks & Rec Director Confirmation Requested

I am pleased to announce that at the Monday Council meeting I will be seeking the confirmation of **Dennis A. Dacus**, of Winslow, to be the Town's next Parks and Recreation Director. Mr. Dacus is a 1986 graduate of Winslow High School who holds a BA degree in Social Science from UMA.

Mr. Dacus is currently a Physical Education Teacher at Cony High School where he has worked since 2002. When not teaching he has worked as Playground Program Director for the City of Augusta, Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, High School Football Official and a Volunteer for Winslow's Youth Programs. From 1996 to 2001 he served in the Maine Army National Guard as a Logistical Supervisor.

Mr. Dacus resides in Winslow with his wife, Alisha, and their two children: 16-year-old Sara and 8-year-old Jacob.

I want to express my appreciation to Town Councilor Brad Grant and the Parks & Recreation Committee for their assistance in narrowing the field of applicants from 22 to 5. All of the 22 applicants were quality applicants and it was difficult to narrow them down to just five.

After narrowing the field of applicants, I then conducted follow-up interviews with each of the top five candidates and admit that it

was even more difficult to narrow them down further because each of them had something to offer to our Parks & Rec Program. In the end I feel that Mr. Dacus will prove to be a tremendous asset to the community and to the Parks & Rec Program.

Fire Chief William Page Announces His Retirement

Fire Chief William (Bill) Page has informed me that he is planning to retire at the end of this coming June. I will be highlighting Bill's 33 year career here in Winslow in a future report.

I have spoken with Waterville City Manager Mike Roy and we have begun planning the process to replace Chief Page. It is likely I will be recommending to the Council that the next Fire Chief be an employee of Waterville and Winslow contract with Waterville for the services of the Fire Chief, which is the opposite of what we are doing now.

Sewer Line Protection Agreement

In your packet is Resolution 5-2008, which has been revised and is related to the proposed Sewer Line Protection Agreement with FPL Energy. As you will see the agreement has been rewritten.

Town Attorney William Lee has written a legal opinion on the issue, which is attached to the agreement. (*OVER*)

Albert Hodsdon from A.E. Hodsdon Consulting Engineers will be attending your Council meeting and will be giving a presentation on the scope of the Sewer Line Protection Project. Public Works Director John Giroux will also be in attendance to answer any questions you may have.

Because of these concerns I have begun working with KVCOG to seek available Federal financial resources that may help us permanently relocate the residents of at least five of the Dallaire Street homes. I will keep the Council informed of my progress.

Dallaire Street Concerns

As you are probably aware, two reports by Sebago Technics have been submitted to the Planning Board and are related to FPL Energy's Dam Removal Project. The reports highlight a concern about the stability of the riverbank on Dallaire Street during dam removal (see enclosed reports).

The residents of Dallaire Street, however, have been concerned about the stability of the riverbank ever since a home on Dallaire Street slid down the embankment during the Summer of 1980.

FY 2008 / 2009 Budget Preparation Schedule

<u>Monday 3/17/08</u>	<u>Monday 3/31/08</u>	<u>Monday 4/28/08</u>	<u>Monday 5/12/08</u>	<u>Wednesday 5/28/08</u>	<u>Tuesday 6/10/08</u>
<u>@ 7:00 pm</u>	<u>@ 7:00 pm</u>	<u>@ 7:00 pm</u>	<u>@ 7:30 pm</u>	<u>@ 7:30 pm</u>	
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