



# Town Manager's Report to the Town Council

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## **ORDER 15-2009 TO CONVEY LAND TO THE BIZIERS**

At last months meeting you conducted the first reading of Order No. 15-2009, which would authorize me to convey a small portion of our Town Forest land to the Biziers in exchange for an easement over a portion of their land that would allow us access to our forest land.

Since the first reading the Biziers have had their property surveyed and would now like to do a land swap with the town instead of providing the town with an easement. The Biziers will be at Monday nights meeting with a survey sketch that depicts the properties to be conveyed.

In essence the Biziers would like the town to convey 0.25 acres to them and in exchange they would convey 0.26 acres to the town. In the end the Biziers will have a conforming lot that they can then sell.

## **RIVER LAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE UP-DATE**

As you probably know, the River Land Advisory Committee has completed their work. Attached to this report is the Committee's response to the 5 questions posed by the council. Town Councilors James Byrne and Catherine Nadeau can answer any questions you may have about the results.

The surveyor has not yet completed the survey so we will need to wait until the December council meeting for a River Land Survey Sketch.

## **INDUSTRIAL BUILDING RE-ROOFING PROJECT**

C.O. Beck & Sons were awarded the contract to re-roof a portion of our Industrial Building at a cost of \$116,990.00. The work

is expected to be completed before January 1, 2010.

## **CMP REQUESTS OPTION TO PURCHASE TOWN PROPERTY**

As part of the CMP transmission line upgrade, CMP would like to enter into an option to purchase agreement for town owned land (approx. 7 acres) that abuts their existing transmission lines that pass through the Town Forest. In exchange CMP is offering to convey a small strip of land on Bay Street to the town. The land is situated between the car wash and the mini-mall.

I have placed this request on the agenda as a discussion item and representatives from CMP will be at Monday night's meeting to fully explain their proposal. In your packet are documents from CMP that are related to their proposal.

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

At last months meeting you authorized the formation of a Planning Committee. I still need one (1) or two (2) council members for the committee. I would also ask that the council consider adding the School Committee Chair and the Planning Board Chair to the committee. I will explain this request further at Monday's meeting.

