

MANAGER'S REPORT

TOWN OF POLAND, MAINE

To: Board of Selectmen

Date: 4/5/16

CC: Department Heads, Committee Chairs

1. **Meetings:** Safety Committee Meeting earlier today, we inspected the Town Hall and the Old Fire Barn.
2. **Ambulance Meeting:** The Poland/Mechanic Falls quarterly ambulance meeting was held on Tuesday the 16th. Attending were Chief Bosse and myself, M/F Police Chief Goss, Fire Chief Sturtevant and Town Manager Lowe. It was agreed by all we'll look into getting a Bariatric Stretcher which will accommodate large patients. Chief Bosse will get some costs on this and report back.
3. **Drone Workshop:** Chief Deputy Gagne and I attended the "Drone Workshop" on the 17th put on by the MMA. Currently there are a lot of grey areas regarding the use by government. The FAA has developed rules and regulations on their own but without any Federal Legislative basis. Use of drones by municipalities for search and rescue and code enforcement seems to be generally allowed. However, use by Law Enforcement, business and private citizens is still unclear.
4. **Scholarship Committee:** I attended the Scholarship Trustees meeting of the 17th and I will be assisting them with updating their by-laws. We will be essentially rewriting them from the prior ones dated 1975. A draft will be provided to the Selectmen when ready.

5. Speed Trailer: We have been selected to receive use of the State Department of Transportation Radar Speed Trailer this summer. We'll have it for almost two weeks. We'll be able to move it around the Town; we will coordinate with the Sheriff's Department.

6. Five Corners: We have received notice from DOT they have initiated the land takings to accommodate the relocation of the entrance/exit to Winterbrook Road which is part of the Five Corners project. We have also received the agreement between the Town and DOT regarding the installation of a flashing pedestrian light on Rt-26. This is included on the agenda.

7. MMWAC: The Executive Committee at MMWAC held final interviews for the position of CEO/Executive Director on Tuesday the 29th. The Committee will make a recommendation to the full Board of Directors next week and an announcement will be made at that time. We'd like to thank all 12 owner communities for their support during this process. Also, the draft MMWAC FY17 budget is available for review through my office for anyone interested.