

November 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Progress Report from Public Works Team

Highway, Road District, Water, Sewer, Storm Water and Garbage/Recycling

Convenor/:Presenter: Barb Davis-Hassan, 660 N. Main St. Lanesboro MA

Committee Members: Barb Davis-Hassan, Bob Barton, Bill Decelles, Tim O'Brien, John Goerlach, Lee Hauge, Scott Stevens and Mark Froio

Issues:

- 1) Lanesborough doesn't have a clear plan for providing, managing, improving many "Public Works" services that are vital to the town. Highway Dept. fills the gaps in many instances, sometimes on emergency basis.
- 2) Plan A--possible big change: Transition Highway into a Dept. of Public Works including road maintenance, plowing, mowing, recycling, cemetery work, town building maintenance, storm water and drainage, Fire and Water services currently under the jurisdiction of the Lanesboro Fire and Water District, Sewer, Tree removal Garbage, Recycling, Solid waste, Town landfill, etc.
- 3) Plan B--Streamline: Reduce what is asked of Highway Dept. --shift some services away, privatize some, for others, share or partner with other towns, districts or departments

Meetings to date: 4/25/12, 5/14, 6/20, 7/17. 9/4, 10/9, 12/6/12 Next scheduled meeting

Target date for rough draft White Paper: December 2012.

Special Reports from sub-committees:

Garbage—Tim O'Brien

Water—Bob Barton