



# Town of Glastonbury

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ITEM #7  
04-28-2020 Meeting

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The Glastonbury Town Council  
2155 Main Street  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

**Re: Town Manager's Report**

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up to date on various topics.

**1. Solar PV Projects**

The status of new solar PV installations at Town and school facilities is as follows:

- Naubuc and Hopewell Schools – work in progress – late-April completion estimated
- Buttonball School – on hold for electrical capacity review
- Academy – in progress
- Police Department – carports – local reviews in progress, installation by early fall expected.

**2. Hybrid Vehicles**

In keeping with the Town's long-term fuel efficiency program, new SUV hybrids (2) are now added to the Police Fleet. These replace vehicles taken off line. Hybrid vehicles are expected to save 1,276 gallons per year per vehicle (idling and operation) and achieve a 25,560 lb. decrease in CO2 emissions per vehicle.

**3. Memorial Day Parade**

The Veterans Service Commission has decided to postpone the Memorial Day Parade due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Should the parade be rescheduled or another event planned, I will advise accordingly.

**4. Transfer Station**

In response to COVID-19, the Transfer Station is open three days per week in lieu of the typical five. This includes Tuesday and Saturday, 7AM-3PM, and Wednesday 7AM-7PM. The focus has been on essential services and most particularly solid waste disposal (trash). Household recycling can be brought to the Transfer Station, however, use of the satellite recycling centers is recommended. Full and part-time staff have high risk conditions and the facility is operating with PT staff only. Every effort is made to establish separation between users and expedite flow through the facility. Items such as scrap metal, electronics, mattresses, etc. are not considered essential and not accepted at this time. The expectation is current operations will continue until May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Given ongoing requests for the non-essential items noted above, we are evaluating a one-day event every two weeks or so to accept these non-essential items and only non-essential items. Again, with the goal to expedite flow and create separation of users. This will involve a day the facility is not currently open with hours extended to 7PM. For example, 10AM -7PM. Details to follow.

**5. Land Acquisition – Grant**

The Agreements required for the \$1M State Grant for purchase of the 542± acres from the PFL is under review. This will likely be scheduled for Council action in May.

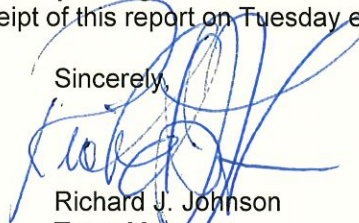
**6. Metropolitan District**

Glastonbury residents will periodically call Town offices to ask on the status of the settlement concerning the general surcharge to non-member Town customers. The court has scheduled a hearing for September 3<sup>rd</sup> for final approval of the class action settlement. Information concerning repayment of the general surcharge should be available thereafter.

**7. Town Manager Expense Report**

A copy of my expense report for the three months January through March 2020 was forwarded separately. I will appreciate Council recognizing receipt of this report on Tuesday evening.

Sincerely,



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