



TOWN OF LAKEVILLE

Town Administrator's Office

346 Bedford Street
Lakeville, MA 02347
(508) 946-8803

Town Administrator's Announcements

July 31, 2023

The Assawompsett Elementary School project is proceeding on schedule. The OPM is leading weekly coordination meetings. The first major shipment is due to arrive next week. The project schedule anticipates installing windows in priority areas ahead of the school year. There will be some disruption, which the school district is working with the OPM to minimize. The entire project is scheduled to be completed before the end of October.

Principal construction on the Gamache Playground took place last week. There is still site work remaining before the facility will be ready for public use. There is sufficient funding in the project budget for the finishing work; DPW and the Park Commission are coordinating on the scope and approach.

Our OPM is preparing construction documents for the New Fields project. The parking lot reconstruction should be ready to go to bid in August. Staff is also working with the Park Commission to develop a plan for Clear Pond Park. We are preparing an estimate for a site survey and scope of work, which we will propose to be funded using ARPA proceeds.

The access agreement to install the guardrail on the Town-owned property on Kenneth Welch Drive has been signed. TAC Vega has informed me that their contractor has ordered the materials and expects to be on-site in mid-August.

I have been working with Middleborough Gas & Electric to develop a plan to install electric vehicle chargers for public use. The two locations currently under consideration are Town Hall and Loon Pond Lodge. The project will be funded through a grant and MG&E will maintain the equipment after it has been installed. MG&E staff has tentatively agreed to attend the August 21 Select Board meeting to discuss their proposal.

Two petition articles which were approved by Town Meeting are awaiting action in the Legislature. An update on the recall provision is Item #7 on tonight's agenda. Another article, which expands the Select Board to five members, is pending in the House of Representatives.

I spoke with Nancy LaFave last week regarding the Library Board's plans in response to Jayme Viveiros's announced departure as Library Director. The Board is developing an interim plan and will decide on the composition of a search committee at its next meeting. I promised to offer whatever assistance they need to manage the transition and assist with their search process.

The next regular meeting of the Select Board will be at 6:00 PM on Monday, August 21st at the Lakeville Police Station.