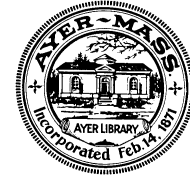


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Board of Selectmen Monthly Report August 2015

Meetings attended: Mass Business Development Leominster/Open Space Meeting/Central Fire Station zoning meeting/MRPC monthly meeting/ Meeting at ISS for Restaurant Banners

MEDC summer Conference Wareham, MA
Volunteer at Nashoba Chamber Golf Tournament
Active Participation in the Comprehensive Plan pre-full committee meetings
Supported Vitasoy's activities to alleviate manufacturing odor problem and assisted with workforce expansion
Main Street Activities ongoing: Maintaining flowers and changing seasonal banners
Drafted, developed and facilitated the production of new restaurant directional signs for Rail Trail tourists info
Coordinated the Shop N' Save Great Hall job fair

Current business activities taking place throughout Town

Rotary Area: Met with Northeast Real Estate broker to discuss available property for possible new cell tower at Rotary cemetery.

Additional meeting with Mark Fermanian, of Gervais Ford, about the availability of using their current unused lot for possible Rail Trail Commuter parking when the project begins

Downtown Area: Completion of the banners for a new restaurant directory to be located at the end of the Rail Trail access driveway, visible from both the Rail Trail and downtown sidewalk area. Banner pole to be completed upcoming.

West Main:

Devens Shopping Center is listed to be sold by owner. Have asked current owner to be kept informed of new owner when sale takes place.

Park Street/Fitchburg Rd: National Grid activity is nearly complete/Completed Historic forms for four properties that are proposed to be purchased by MART/MRPC for the Rail Trail project

Additional: Meetings with possible new businesses to Ayer: Duval Signs, two companies to possibly locate on Central Ave.

Additional Projects/Duties and Responsibilities:

- 1) Coordinating with Ayer Historic the Preservation Agreement for the Pleasant Street School (on-going)
- 2) Continual administrative involvement with the upcoming Comprehensive Plan 2015
- 3) Locating new restaurant directions banners at the entrance to the Rail Trail
- 4) Downtown commuter safety / tourist project report: a train enthusiast watching and photo area around the current brick sitting area building. Project has been sent and there has been a response from MBTA. And as of Sept. 20th Keolis activity at that location
- 5) Coordinated a Shop & Save job fair that will take place in Town Hall on August 10th and 11th
- 6) Initial steps in facilitating the upcoming CDBG grant including meetings with current Rehab Specialist and Environmental company, preparation of RFP's for upcoming services as well as possible oversight consulting companies
- 7) Input and effort for both the Pleasant Street School Preservation agreement and the Central Fire Station project continue