Manager's Report
February 9, 2015

Town Hall Improvements
The Town Hall will receive painting in the stairways, hallways and Selectmans Hall. There will also be new carpet installed in the high traffic areas. The cost of this work will $5,433.
Bids are also being solicited for more carpet and paint.

Act 148 The recycling law
The following are the deadlines for the new recycling mandate for facility owners. This applies to the Town.

July 1, 2015.-- Recyclables can no longer be placed in the waste stream / Items must be recycled.

July 1, 2015.-- Leaf, yard debris and clean wood can no longer be placed in the waste stream./ Items must be diverted.

July 1, 2017 – Food scrapes can no longer be placed in the waste stream. / Items must be composted.

Facilities cannot charge a separate fee for the collection of residential recyclables. Facilities can charge for leaf, yard debris and food scraps.

We will be able to handle the 2015 deadlines as there is really no change to the current operation. Volumes may increase and we will have to be deal with that. There is the potential for increased part-time labor. During 2015 all public buildings and facilities will have to provide additional containers for recyclable items. This includes the trash collection containers on the streets and parks. There will be an expense to purchase new containers for recyclables. ANR personnel were very clear that there will not be strict enforcement of this and the requirement to open trash containers searching for recyclables will not be necessary.

South Street Sidewalk Status
An RFP for engineering services for the South Street sidewalk was recently issued and is due on 2/27/15. Upon my arrival, it was my understanding this sidewalk was going to be built during 2015. When I discovered that engineering had not yet started, the RFP was soon issued. It will be difficult to get through all the necessary Vtrans approvals to have construction begin this construction season.