

# TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

## AUGUST 8, 2023

### 1. DENNIS FIRE STATION 2 BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

#### Site

- The contractor has removed all of the excessive material in preparation for pavement that is scheduled to occur once the gas line has been installed
- Reed Surveyors has laid out the curbing elevations for the site contractor to begin installing the perimeter curbing at the entrance and parking areas

#### Building Exterior

- Mason is back on site and completing the stone veneer and will continue to complete the brick work over the next couple of weeks.
- Unit steel is on site installing the metal decking on the front and rear of the apparatus bay canopy(s)
- The painter has completed the exterior trim
- BC continues to prepare the exterior stair entry for the concrete placement

#### Building Interior

- The rough electrical, plumbing and HVAC is 98% complete
- The drywall has been placed on one side of the walls at the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floors
- In wall inspection will occur this week to allow the closure of the interior walls with drywall
- Overhead electrical continues before ceilings will be placed
- The compressed air lines are being installed
- Main electrical room in basement continues and is approx. 90 % complete
- Fire protection sprinkler system is 95% complete and anticipate their inspection next week
- The insulation contractor is 95% complete with the interior of the building
- CMU walls are being painted
- Modern Glass has completing the storefront entries and office spaces

The building progress continues to build up momentum and although the schedule has slipped the quality of construction remains excellent. We continue to monitor the schedule and monitor any areas that can overlap to shorten the duration of construction as we move to substantial completion.

#### *7/12/23 Project Update*

*The project momentum continues at the Dennis Fire Station with all trades working toward the substantial completion of the station. The plan is to increase the manpower and days of operation to recover some of the time.*

- *Mechanical, Electrical, Fire protection and Plumbing filed sub-contractors continue to complete the rough installation of all the required systems for a rough inspection. This will allow the drywall to begin in the building and start to have the finishes within the inside to start.*
- *Interior metal reframing is complete.*
- *All the doors and windows have been installed. The siding on the exterior of the head house is nearly complete. Small transition sections are needing final details and are expected to be complete within the next week.*
- *The roof deck between the training facility and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor kitchen has been installed*

- *The bi fold and overhead doors are installed. Wiring and controls are ongoing*
- *The interior piping associated with the roof drains has been completed and tied into the exterior detention system*
- *The gas line is scheduled to be installed in the next few weeks.*
- *The concrete exterior stair well is scheduled to be poured the 1<sup>st</sup> week of July.*
- *The paving of the binder is scheduled for the middle of July as long as the gas line has been placed.*
- *Septic system has been installed and inspected.*
- *Dennis Fire has performed a walk through to ensure the outlets and data outlets are properly placed for their operation.*
- *Furniture bids have been received and final selection of colors is ongoing*

## **2. DENNIS CENTER FOR ACTIVE LIVING PROJECT UPDATE**

- Project is on Budget
- Schedule for Substantial completion is 9/30/23
- Air handler Unit #1 delivery was pushed out to 8/4/23 but the team agreed on a plan to pave in August and still be able to keep handicap access open for patrons. This keeps the schedule on track by not having to wait for the install of the AHU for occupancy along with the elevator.
- Gypsum finish is complete through out
- Acoustical ceilings will be complete by 7/31/2023
- Prime and paint will be complete this week.
- Plumbing finishes are complete
- Flooring to start 8/28
- Final paving August
- Siding to start 8/1
- Courtyard in September

## **3. DENNIS BEACH UPDATE ACCESS RESTRICTIONS -PLOVERS**

All of the piping plover nests at West Dennis Beach have hatched. There are still chicks unable to fly on the main beach. Beach raking and vehicle use on the beach is still prohibited. We estimate the birds will be able to fly around August 10<sup>th</sup>.

There are still plover chicks at Crowes Pasture. The ORV access to the flats is open. Dogs are not allowed on the beach or flats. These chicks are anticipated to be able to fly the week of August 14<sup>th</sup>.

A new nest recently hatched near Sea Street Beach in East Dennis. Per the State and Federal Regulations, beach raking has been suspended at Cold Storage Beach and Sea Street Beach (East Dennis) until further notice.

## **4. SHARED STREETS GRANT-SOLAR POWERED SPEED FEEDBACK SIGNS INSTALLATION**

Engineering has begun the installation of 19 solar powered speed feedback signs at various locations in Dennis. The signs are being paid for with a \$95,000 grant Engineering received from MassDOT under the Shared Streets grant program. The signs detect vehicular speed and notify the driver how fast they are travelling and flashes rapidly when the speed limit is being exceeded. The signs store the vehicle speeds as well as traffic volumes. This data can be download to a phone, ipad or computer via Bluetooth and uploaded to our computers using the manufacturer software to provide speed and volume reports. The signs are part of our efforts to reduce vehicular speed in Dennis. The signs are being located on roads that lead to the beaches (per a previous Select Board goal) and in other cut through locations where we have received numerous complaints about speed through the Road Safety Task Force. The locations were coordinated with the Police Department and Department of Public Works. The list of locations where signs will be installed is attached and has been posted on the Engineering webpage.

We will prepare a public notice to send out via social media when the installation is complete.

**Solar Powered Speed Sign Locations-MassDOT Shared Streets Grant**

Location	# Signs	Direction
Beach Street	1	NB
Beach Street	1	SB
Corporation Road	1	NB
Corporation Road	1	SB
Sesuit Neck Road	1	EB
Sesuit Neck Road	1	EB
Sesuit Neck Road	1	WB
Cold Storage Road	1	NB
Cold Storage Road	1	SB
Sea Street	1	NB
Sea Street	1	SB
Old Wharf Road	1	EB
Mayfair Road	1	NB
Mayfair Road	1	SB
South Yarmouth Road	1	NB
South Yarmouth Road	1	SB
Airline Road	1	NB
Highbank Road	1	EB
Depot Street	1	NB

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**5. NEXT MEETINGS OF THE DENNIS SELECT BOARD**

The Dennis Select Board will meet on August 8, 2023 at 4:30PM for regularly scheduled business. The Dennis Select will meet on August 22, 2023 for regularly scheduled business.

All are welcome to attend and participate in our open and public meetings. The agenda for each meeting is posted 48 business hours prior to the scheduled meeting time and can be accessed through the Select Board’s webpage or the Town calendar webpage.

Attend in-person at the Town Hall, Stone Meeting Room. Or for alternative public access join the meeting online via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7660036712> or participate by phone by dialing 1-646-558-8656 and entering Conference ID 766 003 6712 #.

**6. TOWN OF DENNIS IS HIRING**

Town of Dennis is Hiring for year-round and summer seasonal positions. We also have year-round full and part-time openings as well. Apply and View current job openings [here](#).

Have a great week!

Respectfully,  
Elizabeth C. Sullivan, Town Administrator