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**TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN**

Dear Resident:

On November 1<sup>st</sup> the Charlestown Public Works Department (CPW) held an informational meeting regarding its plans for the maintenance and rehabilitation of Burdickville Road. The meeting was held in response to resident questions and concerns on this \$1.4 million project.

During the course of the meeting, several common issues were raised, most notably:

- Impact of blasting/rock removal on private wells, house foundations & septic systems
- Vehicle speed
- Tree removal & overall impact on the rural character of the road

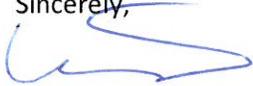
At the end of the meeting, concerned residents were encouraged to meet separately with the project engineer and Town staff to review these potential impacts on their individual properties. We met with the owners of six (6) properties. As a result of the November 1<sup>st</sup> session and follow-up meetings, several individual site modifications were made to the project plans and the following process was developed that appears to meet the majority of concerns:

- The project will be bid for the rock removal to be accomplished without blasting
- The Town will conduct pre and post-construction water quality and quantity test for private wells, and pre-construction survey of foundations and septic systems within 200 feet of the areas slated for rock removal
- The Town will provide "stand-by" services for bottled water in the event any private well service is interrupted as a result of the project
- The Town will also provide "stand-by" services for water restoration if private well service is interrupted as a result of the project (please note the Town's current service provider is A.B. Hoxie, Inc. of Charlestown)
- The finished paved surface area of the roadway will be adjusted to an average twenty-two (22) feet
- The eight (8) trees slated for removal have been marked with orange surveyor's tape
- The Charlestown Police Department will provide active enforcement on Burdickville Road after project completion should vehicle speeds significantly increase

The Town is scheduling another public informational meeting for **7:00 pm, Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Council Chambers, Charlestown Town Hall**. At the meeting, the project engineer and town staff will be available to review the updated plans. Copies of the revised plans have been posted on the Town's website at <http://www.charlestownri.org/>, Click on Burdickville Road Project on the main page.

The Town Council would appreciate you taking the time to attend the meeting and expressing your opinion. If you are not available for the meeting, please consider sending your opinion to the Administrator's Office, Town Hall, 4540 South County Trail, by email at [Burdickville-Road-Pr@charlestownri.org](mailto:Burdickville-Road-Pr@charlestownri.org) or leave a message at 401-364-1210.

Sincerely,



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