

Covid Update, December 27, 2022

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1. Water update. Reservoir took a big jump last week. We are at +5", last week we were at +9". Tack factory Pond is at +4", last week we were at +8". Average daily demand was at 1.177 MGD up from last week's 1.130 MGD. With the reservoir being full at this time, water restrictions are rescinded and we are returning to normal usage rules.

Rainfall over the last 7 days was 1.14" measured at the Plant.

2. The DPW has re-established the salt-sand pile for residents in the small parking lot across from the Egypt Beach General Store. Residents can fill buckets to bring home for their use. This is not for contractors.
3. I want to give a shout out to our team at the Transfer Station for all their hard work yesterday. The place was packed after the holiday and we have received several reports from residents of what a great job they did getting people in and out. So thanks to them for all their work on behalf of the residents of Scituate,
4. We reviewed the consultant's report on the lighthouse last week. The team is moving ahead with replacing the current 1930's lantern room with a new lantern room of the same design. After review, the top four feet of brick work will also be removed and replaced. The consultant will now prepare bid documents in preparation for getting the project bid and the repairs underway. Discussion will now take place on the cost of saving the old lantern room and options for re-use/placement.
5. The Scituate Food Pantry is helping more residents than ever before. They are in need of donations of food products that they cannot get from the Greater Boston Food Bank. They are seeking the following: Beef stew, canned hams, Spam, hash, canned fish of all types. Cookies, hot and cold healthy cereals, condiments and salsa. Donations can be dropped off at the food pantry Tuesdays 9am-1pm, Wednesdays 2:30pm-5pm and Thursdays 2:30pm-5:15 pm. Additional drop off locations are the Scituate Public Library, Village Market and Shaws on 3A. Also, all Scituate Houses of worship accept donations for the food pantry.
6. Widows Walk is now open to walkers. While you enjoy walking the course, we ask that you stay off the greens and keep your pets off the greens also. Greens are expensive and easily damaged so please help us and keep off the greens. We also ask that you pick up after your dogs and do not leave the waste on the course. Barrels will be available for disposal. The Drift In remains open, so after your walk or sledding, stop in for lunch or dinner.
7. If you are down in Cole Parkway this week you will see a conex trailer parked in the spaces for the harbormaster. This is the beginning of the new dock project that will be ongoing this winter. The contractor will be removing the electrical boxes from the docks in preparation for removing the old docks. Starting in mid-January a portion of the parkway will be fenced off, similarly to what was done when we did the piling project. A plan

showing the areas of work will be posted prior to the work commencing. All work is scheduled to be completed by the start of the boating season.

8. DPW has installed some snow fencing on OOB and the driftway to try and control blowing snow and icing on portions of those roadways that are susceptible to drifting snow. If you have suggestions for other areas of town that might benefit, please contact the DPW. The Town is looking for plow drivers for the winter and for positions in the DPW, interested parties should contact the DPW. You might see some of our plow trucks around town over the next several weeks. We have some new employees in the DPW and they are out practicing and reviewing their plow routes in preparation for winter.

Happy New Year. Please stay safe!