

## **Weekly Video Update, April 3, 2023**

### **Anthony Vegnani, Select Board Chair**

Annual Town Meeting is next Monday, April 10, 2023 at 7 PM. This Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> is the Moderator's Meeting. On Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> there is a Select Board Meeting.

Mr. Vegnani wanted to once again thank our first responders for their efforts in the Minot fire.

There is a School Committee appointment that needs to be fulfilled for the remainder of a term, about a month. If you are interested please submit your information to the Select Board Office by Friday. The appointment will be made at the next SB meeting on 4/25.

Finally, the Veterans Advisory Council is hosting a meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM along with the Connor Memorial Project team. They will be discussing the memorial project and placement. All are welcome to attend.

### **Jim Boudreau, Town Administrator**

1. Water update. We are at +5", last week we were +.25". Tack Factory Pond is at +4" down from +5". Average daily demand was at 1.077 MGD up from last week at 1.142 MGD.

Rainfall over the last 7 days was 1.1" measured at the Plant.

The water department is planning on continuing spring flushing of the water mains this week as follows:

Finishing Gannet Road today.

Mann Hill Road towards the waterfront and surrounding side streets

Hatherly Road towards Egypt Beach, Norwell Ave and surrounding streets

Celco is starting pipe work at the water treatment plant for the manganese filters to help with brown water issues this summer.

2. Once again Scituate has partnered with the Great American Rain Barrel Company to provide residents with rain barrels at the discounted price of \$89 per painted barrel (Gray, Green or Brown), \$84 for unpainted and \$80 for Terra Cotta. Scituate residents have purchased more than 300 rain barrels through the promotional event over the last two years. Orders must be received by April 30<sup>th</sup> at midnight with pick-up May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Transfer Station. Details are available:  
<https://www.greatamericanrainbarrel.com/community/>
3. Fencing will be going up on Central Field shortly as we begin the project to add a new softball diamond and repair and existing baseball diamond. This is a CPC funded project that will continue until late spring/early summer.

4. The Veterans Advisory Council will have a public meeting on April 12, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Scituate Senior Center to discuss the proposed LTJG John P. Connors Memorial Project. John was a Scituate native who was killed in action in Panama at the age of 25. The proposal is to construct a memorial on the Town Common to honor John and all veterans who lost their lives in service to their Country.
5. To all the dog walkers and walkers at Widow's Walk Golf Course, the course is now closed for walking. The Course is now open. For Tee Times go to [www.widowswalkgolf.com](http://www.widowswalkgolf.com).
6. Annual and Special Town Meeting will be held on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm at the Scituate High School Gymnasium. There are 8 articles on the Special Town Meeting Warrant and 17 on the Annual Town Meeting warrant. As always, the Annual Budget and Capital budget, along with our enterprise accounts will be on the warrants for approval for the next fiscal year. As the sign says "be there or be unheard".
7. Please be advised that per the Division of Marine Fisheries, the Clam Flats in the North/South River are once again closed due to a sewer overflow at the Rockland Wastewater Treatment Plant. Please watch the Town website for information on when they will be re-opening.
8. Nothing to worry about yet, but I wanted to put on people's long- range radar screen that there was an article in the Boston Globe, I believe on Wednesday, March 29, that two men have brought suit in Massachusetts to lift whistle bans at commuter rail pedestrian crossings and require that horns be sounded at these locations. Should this suit be successful, it would have an impact in Scituate and in all the Greenbush communities. Scituate, Cohasset, Hingham and Weymouth recently filed paperwork with the federal government to renew the quiet zones, so this is something that we will continue to monitor.
9. Meetings
  - a. Monday-Con Com and Library Trustees
  - b. Tuesday-Select Board
  - c. Wednesday-Moderators Meeting and Water Resources.

**Bill Burkhead, Superintendent of Schools**

## SPS Superintendent Spotlight: 4.3.23

Time Take (TT)

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### **📌 This Week's Top 3:**

- Cushing/Hatherly MSBA Project Public Forum
- Scituate Education Foundation
- Unified Sports

### **Cushing/Hatherly MSBA Project Public Forum:**

On Wednesday, March 29, 2023, the Building Committee held the 2nd Public Meeting at the Gates Middle School Dining Commons. Architects Dore and Whittier , Owner Project Manager (OPM) Vertex, and the School Building Committee members were present to share preliminary design options and answered several questions throughout the evening. Participants also were able to leave feedback to be used in the next phase of the project.

#### **Learn More**

Visit the SPS website at [scit.org](http://scit.org) and click on “Community” at the top to find information about the project’s history, current process and timeline. School Building Committee meeting presentations and videos will be shared as well as other project related resources.

### **Scituate Education Foundation (SEF) Spring Gala:**

After 3 long years, the Scituate Education Foundation was back Saturday evening hosting their annual Rising Tide Gala. This year's “Whale of a Night” showcased live and silent auctions featuring donations from some of the South Shore’s finest makers, creators, businesses, and generous families, with all proceeds benefiting SEF. Since its inception in 2017, SEF has given away over \$260,000 in grants to Scituate schools and nonprofits.

I was honored to attend as an invited guest to share the SPS appreciation. I’d like to thank the board of directors, At Large Directors and Advisory members for all the work they do for the students and staff of the SPS. I’d also like to thank our amazing educators for putting the accepted grants into action for our students. And finally, thank you to our very supportive community, through your support we are able to offer our students amazing opportunities that enhance their education.

## **UNIFIED SPORTS IS BACK!**

Great News! We will have our first Unified Track Meet on Thursday April 6th at 3pm vs Hingham at Hingham High School. A HUGE SAILOR SHOUT OUT to Mike Timcoe, the track coaches and student athletes for getting this off the ground. We certainly hope this program will grow and become a significant part of the Athletic Department.