

## **Town Manager's Report**

### **March 13, 2017**

#### **VTrans Slip Ramp Update**

Erin Lewis, the engineer that co-presented at the board meeting, contacted me and provided an update on their committee's decision after hearing input from those attending the board meeting.

The current plan is to widen the stop sign intersection on the slip ramp that is provided for east bound traffic. The slip ramp between that intersection and the slip ramps intersection with Routes 11 and 5 will not be removed. That section of the ramp will be barricaded. The general idea is to see how the newly widen intersection functions and then decide at a future date if the barricaded section of the ramp is removed or put back to use.

#### **Old VNA Building Update**

A historic preservation consultant has been hired to submit a report to the State Historic Preservation Office. The purpose of the report is to seek permission to demolish the building. Permission to demolish the building is needed to preserve the ability to seek federally originated funds for future projects in the historic district. We will certainly seek future funds from VTrans to do work that is part of the Main Streetscape. Those types of funds are funnelled to VTrans from the Federal Highway Administration and consequently are federal funds. We do not want to jeopardize the ability to secure these funds.

The cost of the consultant is \$1,475 and it is nearly certain that we will get permission to do the demolition.

#### **188 Wall Demolition**

A new landfill has been identified and this building will be gone as soon as the contractor and environmental firm can synchronize their schedules. I requested before the predicted storm on 3/15, but there is no guarantees.