I hope you are doing OK during this Covid-19 pandemic!

Since we remain limited in our ability to meet here are a few updates:

At our next City Council meeting we will be taking up an Ordinance to expand the zones where residents can keep hens. The zone would be expanded from RA to other residential zones R-1, R-1A, R-2, & DR up to 6 under a Special Permit from the City Council. Please e-mail me if have an opinion on this change.

Sunset/Ashley Road project: Mike McManus General Superintendent DPW has let me know the project should go out to bid this winter with a spring construction. The project is eligible under Chapter 90.

Traffic light at Apremont & Rt 202: The bid came in too high to complete the project within the bond amount but DPW Superintendent Mike McManus stated his department will break up the project and do some of the work or have some portions fabricated and delivered over the winter for a spring construction. The light should be able to be done within the bonding limits in this way.

So hopefully we will see the completion of two long standing projects in 2021!

Also, I have filed another order on the Apremont Rd/Rock Valley Rd intersection due to continued safety concerns. It seeks another review by our Engineer for improvements.

Update on Apremont Rd gas station. The old "Puc's" gas station will be re-opened after a public hearing and a petition by residents indicating a high degree of support for the project.

Please let me know if you have any outstanding questions or issues, I will do my best to assist you.

Your Ward 5 City Councilor, Linda Vacon