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TO: Select Board and Finance Committee

CC: Mike Rademacher, Public Works Department Director and Wayne Chouinard, Town Engineer

FROM: Sandy Pooler, Deputy Town Manager/Finance Director and Ida Cody, Comptroller

DATE: March 3, 2022

RE: Private Way Repair Revolving Fund

Background

The Town has long had a revolving fund we use to pay for repairs to private ways. Upon petition of two thirds of the residents of a street, the Select Board can approve repairs to private ways. The residents choose a contractor for a list approved by the Engineering Division. They pay one third of the estimated bill up front, we then send them a full bill once the work is complete, and the resident have the choice of paying that bill or having the cost added as a betterment assessment to their tax bills.

Requested Action

We write to ask you to increase the FY22 spending limit of the revolving fund from its current level of \$200,000 to \$275,000.

Normally, this fund pays for relatively small improvement projects, but this year there was a repaving project at Mt. Gilboa Street that cost \$221,625. That large project has pushed the projected spending from this fund beyond the original budget of \$200,000. We will collect sufficient funds from residents to pay the contractor, but until we receive your approval for an increase in the limit, we cannot make payment to the contractor. We are analyzing projections for next year and will report to you for town meeting on a revised budget for FY23.