



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Town Commissioners  
**CC:** Kris Gardner, Town Attorney  
**FROM:** Mayor Wayne Anderson  
**DATE:** October 28, 2020

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To clear the air regarding statements made at the last board meeting involving my efforts toward electrical supply negotiations to lower our town's unusually high utility rates, let me elucidate for the record my understanding of previous comments.

I was advised by Commissioner Bobby Whitaker that there was no reason to proceed with negotiations with HEMC because of a statement made by their attorney. I stated that it is up to the HEMC Board as well as our own Commissioners to determine outcomes of potential proposals and not the Attorney for HEMC who, of course, would try to represent the client in the most advantageous position. This was met with opposition by Commissioner Whitaker.

On another pending matter, Commissioner Bobby Whitaker and Commissioner Bud Whitaker clearly stated that they saw no need to pursue a shared certified sewer operator with Scotland Neck, even though this would result in cost savings to the residents of Enfield.

The simple answer, as the Mayor of Enfield, is for me to issue only written reports so as to prevent any misinformation and accusations.

I believe in the end we all want to play a part to benefit Enfield and get our town out of the down side of abandoned houses, vacant commercial property, offer clean water, provide compliant sewerage system, repair storm water drainage systems, create economic incentives for job creation, and make Enfield a great place to live, work and play.

We need to bring our property tax ratable values up, build and restore buildings and enhance our community and provide our residents with the best service at the lowest possible cost.

Part of last months meeting was short on patience and no answers toward the common necessities of Enfield were addressed.

My future intent is to negotiate the best contracts possible that will serve the public and bring written reports to the Board of Commissioners for vote.

I look forward to bringing these opportunities to the public who have entrusted me to serve their best interest.