

SHARED SERVICES

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We are very fortunate to be able to collaborate with the First Selectman and members of his team. As a result of this collaborative effort, we often try to share services whenever possible in order to lessen the cost on taxpayers.

Shared services are services that are utilized by both the Town of Seymour as well as the Board of Education. They are cost-efficient

because they centralize back-office operations that are used by both of us and eliminate redundancy. We are fortunate to have worked with the Town to review several of these areas that we were both utilizing and were able to combine resources.

The Town of Seymour now has a shared Director of Technology, Director of Facilities, and most recently a Human Resource Manager. Another area that is shared is grounds maintenance. The Seymour Public Works Department now handles all of the grounds maintenance for the schools as opposed to the schools having to contract with an outside vendor. This partnership has been terrific and our school grounds have never looked better.

The Seymour Public Schools also works collaboratively with the other schools in the valley in order to share whatever resources we can. Most of these come in the form of busing. Our business manager works with the other business managers and the bus company in order to share busing for outplaced students and for those students attending the vocational and technology schools.

Shared services aid the Town and are just one small way to get the most out of the financial resources that we have.