

February 14, 2022 Town Administrator Update:

- I have an interview set up this week for a candidate for the Assistant to Boards & Committees position.
- I have just begun the final class in the MCPPO certification process, which will take nine weeks to complete.
- I attended the MMA's Annual Meeting Workshop: Building a Culture of Cybersecurity: Ransomware and the Minimum Baseline of Cybersecurity for Municipalities and continue to explore best practices for protecting the town from cyber threats. MIIA has not yet released information about what will be required to procure cyber insurance for FY23 but I have been told there will be a new application this year, so work on this issue continues to be of high importance to the town.
- The Public Safety working group is working on a design for incorporating offices and possibly extra bays into the existing footprint of the old highway garage, and getting quotes for drilling a new well and possibly a new leach field.
- The MVP grant awarded in FY22 has been officially declined due to lack of grant matching funds. The grant match was predicated on the purchase of 69 Main Street, but as that purchase fell through, so did the match the town was to put forward for the entire grant. The MVP team is now hard at work creating a new grant application for the upcoming grant cycle which will be due in May and hopefully awarded in June, so not much time should be lost in protecting the town center and other areas from flooding if the town is again awarded an MVP grant.
- Now is the time to order this year's stickers. We've been working with Hatfield Printing since beginning the annual sticker renewal program. Below is the color suggested for this year, and we order 1,200.
- I am still waiting for a quote for services to see if we can reinstitute the compost collection program at a reasonable cost.

