

May 16, 2022 Town Administrator Update:

- On Tuesday I attended the third in FRCOG's State Funding webinar series, this latest showcasing the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA), Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program, Division of Ecological Restoration (DER), Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), and Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) program grants. I also attended the first hour or so of the Vertex public hearing.
- On Thursday I attended the MMHR 'bootcamp' and found it to be incredibly helpful. I look forward to receiving the presentations as reference materials going forward. I also attended the Floodplain public hearing.
- On Friday I met via zoom with LocalPower to follow up on their request to give a presentation to the selectboard. We had a very good conversation, and they sent me their presentation and other information on the technology they are promoting. Several issues came up, such as needing a certain amount of trash tonnage to make the program viable, being able to both site and permit a new facility, as well as questions I had about the actual technology. I gave them some other contact names to try, and will be asking colleagues who work on international waste issues to give me feedback about this technology, since it is supposedly used in both Europe and Japan.