

August 14th, 2023 Town Administrator Update:

- Transfer station update: I have created a one day pass for those who need to allow a different person's vehicle access to the transfer station on their behalf, which will require proof of decal ownership as well as signed authorization; Jan and I are finalizing the UniPay set up online for purchasing of decals under the new regulations; Adam has gotten all the bag sticker envelopes ready, and I am finalizing the online decal application.
- The town's two Initial Damage Assessments have been submitted to MEMA, one for July 10th in the amount of \$423,000 and one for July 21st in the amount of \$3,391,393. MEMA will be reviewing all IDAs submitted by affected towns and a determination will then be made to see if the damages meet the FEMA threshold.
- I set up a meeting with the Emergency Watershed Protection project for Ron, Phil and myself to discuss damaged areas in town which they might be able to help restore, although I was not able to attend today. Areas of prime concern are certain stretches of Shelburne Falls Road, Field's Hill Road and the drainage issues around Pine Hill and Upper Baptist Roads.
- Members of the Sustainability Committee, Conservation Commission and Planning Board will be working with the FRCOG on comparing recent flood damaged areas in town to the river corridor to see where they may overlap or intersect and discuss zoning and management issues. The FRCOG will be helping us map out these areas.
- The financial team has been meeting to make sure we are on target for closing out FY23 and preparing for the upcoming tax bill season. A tentative date for the classification hearing is September 11th.
- I met with Allyson Huntoon and Imani Franklin of Senator Warren's Office to update them on conditions in Conway due to the recent flooding and to ask for any support they may be able to provide.