



Report of the Town Manager

February 13th, 2023

1. Financial Updates-

- a. Our FY22 audit has been officially certified.
- b. MV Excise tax bills will be mailed out in the coming weeks.
- c. “Abatement season” is underway in the Assessor’s office. If you have questions about your tax bill or dispute your value, please reach out to Town Hall.

2. Personnel Updates-

- a. Welcome to Katie Medina, our new Town Accountant.
- b. Interviews will be held this week for the vacant Assistant Treasurer position.
- c. The Robinson Broadhurst foundation has funded our Part Time Recreation Coordinator in a full time role. This will take effect on April 1st.
- d. The Winchendon Police Department has started the early phases of their accreditation process. This is a multi-year initiative, and will result in the Winchendon PD being a fully accredited Police Department.

3. Project Updates-

- a. The .gov conversion for our Town Website and email is officially complete. Thank you to Don O’Neil for seeing this project through.
- b. We are in the process of pricing out the cost of moving the Town Hall server over to the “Old Fire Station” area of Town Hall. This area has access to full generator power which would prevent Town Hall systems (including email) from crashing during weather events.
- c. Rounding off a busy week for IT, I am happy to announce we have received grant funding for Cyber Security training in Town Hall.
- d. There has been a flurry of activity around Whitney Pond including site visits for 4 Summer Drive as well as the Beech St property.

4. Miscellaneous Updates –

- a. Our team has been actively working on several grant opportunities, including Mass Trails, a Mass Works grant, and the upcoming years CDBG grant round.