

Town Administrator Report, November 22, 2021

- Special Town Meeting was Thursday, November 18 at 6PM at the Elementary School. There were in attendance. All motions passed unanimously.
- Zen Acres Farm, LLC seeks to secure a Host Community Agreement (HCA) with the Town of Hardwick for 228 Barre Road, Hardwick, MA. Zen Acres Farm is applying with the Cannabis Control Commission for a Cultivation, Product Manufacturing, and Retail Adult Use Marijuana license.
- DLS sent a bulletin regarding Sewer Rate Relief Fund for long term, borrowed, and non state granted funds. I researched and found we have \$\$84,589.50 in FY2022 Debt Service. We could potentially receive up to 20% back to the enterprise fund from the commonwealth fund. Deadline is 11/19/2021. I submitted 11/17/2021. I will keep you updated on whether it is approved. Any relief will go directly toward ongoing capital improvements and repairs to the sewer systems.
- Confidential Mediation with USDA is ongoing
- Working on the RRP for Gilbertville. Having a meeting with the Funding Resource Team (FRT) Tuesday, November 23. to start to determine which projects we move forward. Will need a public community meeting in the near future.
- I engaged a third party electricity partner, Mantis. I've used this firm in another Town that saves substantial money on kW's from National Grid. I am currently obtaining all NGrid bills for review. Need permission to sign.....

Thank you,