

Public meeting with Metrocast.

HTA Construction Administration Contract. The Warrant article included the bid price of \$297,345 plus 10% contingency of \$29,735 plus \$20,000 for construction administration. The proposal from HTA is \$22,456. That would reduce the contingency by \$2,456 or the Board could use additional funds from the bridge Capital Reserve. ***Does the Board wish to approve the proposed contract with HTA?***

Land Sale: ***Does the Board wish to advertise to sell by sealed bid Map 104 lot 121 near the end of Long Shore Drive as an unbuildable lot?***

Authorization to close Mallego Road from the Post Office to TD Bank on Route 125 for 23rd Annual Greater Barrington Chamber of Commerce Peeper 5-K run/walk May 13th beginning at 8 am to about 10:15 am. We have again had this request, as we have had annually for many years. ***Will the Board again approve?***

Payment Manifest: A Board member has requested if we are going to make this change the Board vote upon it as there was no note of a vote or even of consensus in the minutes from 1/23 when this came up before. Here is what I suggested earlier in response to a request from a member of the Board: I realize that a full review of financial policy won't happen until after the election based upon the last Board meeting. Given Andy's concern, I believe there is a relatively simple solution that I have discussed with Lynne and Peter Royce, provided the Selectmen are willing to sign every week. We will continue to prepare the manifest to pay AP on Thursday, but will not mail the payments until Tuesday. Then the manifest can be approved at the Monday meeting if there is a meeting or the second option is a non-contemporaneously signed manifest signed by a majority of the board. This means that after the manifest is prepared, individual Select Board members can go to the town offices, review the manifest, and approve the manifest one at a time. Once the manifest has been so approved and signed by a majority of the Select Board, the town would then the issuance of payments as prescribed in the manifest. I would like there to be the very rare exception to be where there is a penalty for late payment (e.g. credit card), loss of discount or some other financial pressure like that. We have built a good reputation of timely payment and would not want that damaged. ***Would the Board like to do this and a majority commits to sign the manifest timely every week before Tuesday?***

RECOGNITION: John Huckins has achieved the certification of the Code Council of Master Code Professional, the highest level of certification offered. I believe there are only three code officers in the state who have done so.