REPORT OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 2022

To the Honorable Selectboard:

We continued to collaborate with local schools, colleges and other institutions in developing safety plans for critical incidents. This includes obtaining and updating Emergency Operation Plans for institutions, site visits, and training. Again, this year we received \$2,700 grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency we purchased a portable radio and back up batteries. All applicable new town employees received training in the Incident Command System 100 and the National Incident Management System 700 classes. We participate in monthly meetings with the Southern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee. GBPD continues to hosts periodic meetings of a School Emergency Management Team, which is comprised of Berkshire Hills Regional School District representatives, police/fire/ambulance and others to review and evaluate issues and policies related to school safety and response to critical incidents. This year we have applied for an emergency generator for our senior center. This would help provide community members in need of a shelter, access to a heating / cooling station during times of power outages. Our Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is annually reviewed and updated.

Paul E. Storti,

Chief of Police

Director of Emergency Management