

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
TOWN OF CONWAY  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
Saturday, June 1, 2024**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to warn the Inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet at the Grammar School gymnasium in said Town of Conway, on Saturday, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the morning, to act on the following:

**ARTICLE 1:** To hear the reports of the Selectboard, Capital Improvements Planning Committee, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, School Committee, Tax Collector, Board of Health, Planning Board and any other committees and act thereon.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear the report of the Finance Committee and vote to **raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray the Town charges for the year ensuing**, or take any other action relative thereto;

| A. | DEPT # | DEPARTMENT NAME           | FY 2023   | FY 2024   | FY2025    | FY24 – 25<br>CHANGE |
|----|--------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|
|    | 114    | MODERATOR                 | \$350     | \$350     | \$350     | \$0                 |
|    | 122    | SELECTBOARD               | \$6,500   | \$6,500   | \$6,500   | \$0                 |
|    | 131    | FINANCE COMMITTEE         | \$300     | \$300     | \$300     | \$0                 |
|    | 132    | RESERVE FUND              | \$40,000  | \$40,000  | \$40,000  | \$0                 |
|    | 135    | ACCOUNTING/AUDITS         | \$1       | \$10,000  | \$49,608  | \$39,608            |
|    | 141    | ASSESSORS                 | \$12,075  | \$15,703  | \$62,769  | \$47,066            |
|    | 141    | ASSESSORS WAGES           | \$60,002  | \$54,318  | \$7,500   | -\$46,818           |
|    | 145    | TREASURER-COLLECTOR       | \$20,919  | \$19,795  | \$22,155  | \$2,360             |
|    | 145    | TREASURER-COLLECTOR WAGES | \$66,531  | \$67,861  | \$72,252  | \$4,391             |
|    | 150    | TOWN ADMINISTRATION       | \$20,600  | \$18,200  | \$19,350  | \$1,150             |
|    | 150    | TOWN ADMINISTRATION WAGES | \$92,040  | \$94,942  | \$100,808 | \$5,866             |
|    | 151    | LEGAL                     | \$11,000  | \$10,000  | \$15,000  | \$5,000             |
|    | 159    | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY    | \$42,742  | \$44,825  | \$44,876  | \$51                |
|    | 161    | TOWN CLERK                | \$7,750   | \$7,350   | \$9,050   | \$1,700             |
|    | 161    | TOWN CLERK WAGES          | \$40,382  | \$39,398  | \$41,368  | \$1,970             |
|    | 162    | REGISTRARS                | \$1,700   | \$1,700   | \$1,700   | \$0                 |
|    | 163    | ELECTIONS                 | \$4,500   | \$5,000   | \$6,000   | \$1,000             |
|    | 163    | ELECTIONS WAGES           | \$5,100   | \$5,000   | \$7,000   | \$2,000             |
|    | 170    | OPEN SPACE                | \$3,100   | \$3,100   | \$3,100   | \$0                 |
|    | 171    | CONSERVATION COMMISSION   | \$807     | \$1,061   | \$1,065   | \$4                 |
|    | 172    | AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION   | \$1       | \$1       | \$1       | \$0                 |
|    | 175    | PLANNING BOARD            | \$2,250   | \$2,350   | \$2,350   | \$0                 |
|    | 176    | ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS   | \$200     | \$325     | \$325     | \$0                 |
|    | 190    | PERSONNEL COMMITTEE       | \$0       | \$1       | \$1,500   | \$1,499             |
|    | 192    | BUILDING MAINTENANCE      | \$73,500  | \$82,500  | \$78,500  | -\$4,000            |
|    | 193    | TOWN INSURANCE            | \$89,053  | \$89,532  | \$95,065  | \$5,533             |
|    | 210    | POLICE                    | \$19,975  | \$21,725  | \$23,500  | \$1,775             |
|    | 210    | POLICE WAGES              | \$119,707 | \$120,539 | \$124,589 | \$4,049             |
|    | 220    | FIRE                      | \$42,005  | \$40,255  | \$42,850  | \$2,595             |
|    | 220    | FIRE WAGES                | \$41,697  | \$41,548  | \$43,626  | \$2,077             |
|    | 231    | AMBULANCE                 | \$25,000  | \$25,000  | \$25,000  | \$0                 |
|    | 291    | EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT      | \$4,250   | \$4,250   | \$4,350   | \$100               |
|    | 292    | ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER    | \$4,169   | \$5,305   | \$5,742   | \$438               |
|    | 294    | TREE WARDEN               | \$300     | \$510     | \$510     | \$0                 |
|    | 422    | HIGHWAY                   | \$293,300 | \$342,800 | \$331,000 | -\$11,800           |
|    | 422    | HIGHWAY WAGES             | \$312,883 | \$319,140 | \$362,847 | \$43,708            |
|    | 423    | SNOW & ICE                | \$103,000 | \$108,000 | \$108,000 | \$0                 |
|    | 423    | SNOW & ICE WAGES          | \$23,922  | \$21,888  | \$32,697  | \$10,808            |
|    | 433    | TRANSFER STATION          | \$135,048 | \$148,148 | \$139,851 | -\$8,297            |

|    |                     |                                          |                    |                    |                    |                  |
|----|---------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|    | 433                 | TRANSFER STATION WAGES                   | \$43,260           | \$45,800           | \$51,600           | \$5,800          |
|    | 491                 | CEMETERY                                 | \$600              | \$600              | \$600              | \$0              |
|    | 512                 | BOARD OF HEALTH                          | \$17,992           | \$17,650           | \$17,700           | \$50             |
|    | 512                 | BOARD OF HEALTH WAGES                    | \$22,423           | \$15,974           | \$24,506           | \$8,532          |
|    | 541                 | COUNCIL ON AGING                         | \$1,200            | \$1,200            | \$3,000            | \$1,800          |
|    | 543                 | VETERANS                                 | \$11,245           | \$9,474            | \$9,715            | \$241            |
|    | 630                 | PARKS & RECREATION                       | \$8,000            | \$8,000            | \$9,000            | \$1,000          |
|    | 635                 | FOREST & TRAILS                          | \$400              | \$400              | \$400              | \$0              |
|    | 650                 | TOWN NEWSLETTER                          | \$6,000            | \$6,000            | \$6,000            | \$0              |
|    | 691                 | HISTORICAL COMMISSION                    | \$400              | \$400              | \$400              | \$0              |
|    | 710                 | DEBT SERVICE                             | \$52,133           | \$108,189          | \$109,245          | \$1,056          |
|    | 751                 | DEBT SERVICE INTEREST                    | \$19,119           | \$21,473           | \$18,712           | -\$2,761         |
|    | 752                 | SHORT TERM INTEREST                      | \$100              | \$101              | \$101              | \$0              |
|    | 830                 | FRCOG (Town Nurse under Board of Health) | \$56,590           | \$58,439           | \$24,937           | -\$33,502        |
|    | 900                 | EMPLOYEE COSTS                           | \$726,161          | \$764,386          | \$808,136          | \$43,750         |
|    |                     | <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>\$2,692,281</b> | <b>\$2,877,305</b> | <b>\$3,017,104</b> | <b>\$139,799</b> |
|    |                     |                                          |                    |                    |                    | <b>4.86%</b>     |
| B. |                     |                                          |                    |                    |                    |                  |
|    | 300A                | GRAM SCH OPERATING                       | \$2,016,647        | \$2,060,585        | \$2,113,936        | \$53,351         |
|    | 300B                | GRAM SCH TRANSPORT                       | \$69,660           | \$75,000           | \$95,550           | \$20,550         |
| C. |                     | <b>TOTAL CGS</b>                         | <b>\$2,086,307</b> | <b>\$2,135,585</b> | <b>\$2,209,486</b> | <b>\$73,901</b>  |
|    |                     |                                          |                    |                    |                    | \$0              |
|    | 310A                | FRONTIER REG OPERATING                   | \$1,532,073        | \$1,568,585        | \$1,654,697        | \$86,112         |
|    | 310B                | FRONTIER TRANSPORTATION                  | \$26,759           | \$32,563           | \$32,777           | \$214            |
|    | 310C                | FRONTIER CAPITAL ASSESSMENT              | \$12,827           | \$3,817            | \$0                | -\$3,817         |
|    |                     | <b>TOTAL FRONTIER</b>                    | <b>\$1,571,659</b> | <b>\$1,604,965</b> | <b>\$1,687,474</b> | <b>\$82,509</b>  |
|    |                     |                                          |                    |                    |                    | \$0              |
|    | 320A                | FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL         | \$169,670          | \$159,930          | \$125,754          | -\$34,176        |
|    | 320B                | FCTS TRANSPORTATION                      | \$7,049            | \$5,198            | \$6,248            | \$1,050          |
| D. | 320C                | FCTS CAPITAL ASSESSMENT                  | \$6,542            | \$6,144            | \$6,267            | \$123            |
|    |                     | <b>TOTAL FRANKLIN TECH</b>               | <b>\$183,261</b>   | <b>\$171,272</b>   | <b>\$138,269</b>   | <b>-\$33,003</b> |
|    |                     |                                          |                    |                    |                    | \$0              |
|    | 330A                | OTHER TECHNICAL SCHOOLS                  | \$49,344           | \$25,906           |                    | -\$25,906        |
| E. | 330B                | OTHER TECH SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION        | \$27,000           | \$27,000           |                    | -\$27,000        |
|    |                     | <b>TOTAL OTHER TECH</b>                  | <b>\$76,344</b>    | <b>\$52,906</b>    | <b>\$0</b>         | <b>-\$52,906</b> |
|    | Total Schools       |                                          | <b>\$3,917,571</b> | <b>\$3,964,728</b> | <b>\$4,035,229</b> | <b>1.75%</b>     |
|    | <b>FY 23 to 24:</b> | <b>GRAND TOTAL for Operating Budget:</b> | <b>6,609,852</b>   | <b>6,842,033</b>   | <b>7,052,333</b>   | <b>FY 24-25</b>  |
|    | <b>\$232,180</b>    |                                          |                    |                    |                    | <b>\$210,300</b> |
|    | <b>3.39%</b>        |                                          |                    |                    |                    | <b>2.98%</b>     |

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 4-0 (1 absent)

**ARTICLE 3:** To see if the Town will vote to set the salaries of elected officials as provided by M.G.L. c. 41, section 108 to be made effective from July 1, 2025 as presented in the budget or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 4:** To see if the town will vote to transfer \$16,000 from the Conway Grammar School Stabilization Fund for a new phone system for the Conway Grammar School, or take any action relative thereto.  
*2/3rds vote required*

SUBMITTED BY: Conway Grammar School Committee  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 5:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000 from the Conway Grammar School Stabilization Fund for a video surveillance system for the Conway Grammar School, or take any action relative thereto.  
*2/3rds vote required*

SUBMITTED BY: Conway Grammar School Committee  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 6:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$17,700 from the Conway Grammar School Stabilization Fund to provide mini-splits for the Conway Grammar School, or take any action relative thereto.  
*2/3rds vote required*

SUBMITTED BY: Conway Grammar School Committee  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$53,700 to the Conway Grammar School Capital Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

*Note: The \$17,700 for mini-splits, which are part of this transfer, were funds rebated to the town after the last purchase of mini-splits but which then had to revert to the general fund. Therefore \$17,700 of this amount would be a reimbursement to the school for the rebate they secured.*

SUBMITTED BY: Conway Grammar School Committee  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 8:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$100,000 to the **Fire Truck Stabilization fund** as follows: Fire Department – \$100,000 to **save for a new rescue pumper** (*expected purchase in 2028*), or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Fire Department  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RECOMMENDATION: 4-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 9:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$100,000 for the purchase of a **side entry/exit, rubber tire Compact Loader**, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Town Administrator  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RECOMMENDATION: 4-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$100,000 for the purchase of a **Plow Truck (one ton four-door shortbed, 6 cylinder, diesel, with new V plow)**, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Town Administrator  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RECOMMENDATION: 4-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 4-1

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$85,000 from Capital Stabilization, or otherwise provide for a Police Cruiser, (includes upfitting), or take any action relative thereto.

*2/3rds vote*

SUBMITTED BY: Police Department  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RECOMMENDATION: 4-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$50,000 to the General Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash \$100,000 to the Ambulance Stabilization fund towards the purchase of a new ambulance, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Ambulance Department  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$36,646 from the **Ambulance Receipts fund** to the Ambulance Department operational expenses account for a **partial payment** for these expenses, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Ambulance Department  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide \$9,950 for preliminary study of town streetlights by an energy consultant, with the goal of saving money and reducing our carbon footprint, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 16:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the following FY '25 expenditure limits for the Town of Conway Revolving Funds pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, section 53 ½ and the Town of Conway Bylaw:

- up to \$5,000 from the Medicaid Revolving fund;
- up to \$6,000 from the Dog Licenses fund;
- up to \$10,000 from the Newsletter Revolving fund; and
- up to \$20,000 from the Conway Youth Sports Program Revolving fund

or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Treasurer  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if the Town will vote to revoke the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund and transfer any dedicated funds to the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund as per the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53, Clause 4; and, as authorized by the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services' Director of Accounts, or take any other action relative thereto.

*(2/3rds majority vote)*

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$20,000 from Free Cash into the **OPEB Trust Fund**, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Finance Committee  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$11,755 from Free Cash to the **debt service for the Highway Garage Facility as a partial payment for that debt service**, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Treasurer  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the **Treasurer and Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements** for Fiscal Year 2025 as permitted by M.G.L. c. 44, section 53F, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Treasurer  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 21:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide the sum of \$6,000 as a partial contribution for the **future revaluation work account**, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Assessors  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide the sum of \$2,920 to the **Field Memorial Library** to help ensure its accreditation, or take any action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 23:** To see if the Town will vote to **rescind the appropriation and authorized borrowing of Article 3 of the December 9, 2023 Special Town Meeting which was to pay for the cost of road repair** after the July floods or take any action relative thereto.

*December 9, 2023 Special Town Meeting ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1.5 million dollars to pay for emergency deficit spending for town road repairs and other flood related expenses, including engineering and design, and to meet said appropriation, authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to borrow said amount under and pursuant to G.L. c. 44, § 8(9), or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.  
(2/3rds vote required)*

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 24:** To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectboard to apply for, accept, and expend state, federal and other grants, which do not require a town appropriation or town meeting approval, or take any other action relative thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 25:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain, or otherwise for general public way purposes, a permanent easement, consisting of 2,119.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of rip rap placement and environmental restoration, a permanent easement, consisting of 82.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of overhead utility easement, and a permanent easement, consisting of 50.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of overhead utility easement, and a temporary easement, consisting of 11,545.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of grading, environmental protection/restoration, and temporary overhead utility work, all on the westerly side of North Poland Road, Town of Conway, Franklin County, Massachusetts, from Debra J. Craven and Willis D. Burnett, heirs and devisees of the Estate of Josephine L. Burnett (Franklin Probate Docket No. FR18P0060EA), for the North Poland Road over Poland Brook bridge replacement (Bridge No. C-20-004), said land is more specifically shown as “**Parcels DE-1, PUE-1, PUE-2, and TE-1**” on a set of plans, to be recorded, entitled “Easement Plan of Land North Poland Road Over Poland Brook Conway, Massachusetts,” prepared by Green International Affiliates, Inc., dated April 2, 2024, and as amended. Said plans are also filed with the Town of Conway Town Clerk, or take any other vote or votes in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 26:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain, or otherwise for general public way purposes, a permanent easement, consisting of 529.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of overhead utility easement, a permanent easement, consisting of 49.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of overhead utility easement, and a permanent easement, consisting of 386.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of overhead utility easement, and a temporary easement, consisting of 1,834.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of grading, tree trimming, and driveway work, and a temporary easement, consisting of 12,869.00 square feet of land, more or less, for the purpose of grading, tree trimming, and bridge construction equipment swing radii work area, all on the easterly side of North Poland Road, Town of Conway, Franklin County, Massachusetts, from Debra J. Craven and Willis D. Burnett, heirs and devisees of the Estate of Josephine L. Burnett (Franklin Probate Docket No. FR18P0060EA), for the North Poland Road over Poland Brook bridge replacement (Bridge No. C-20-004), said land is more specifically shown as “**Parcels PUE-3, PUE-4, PUE-5, TE-3, and TE-4**” on a set of plans, to be recorded, entitled “Easement Plan of Land North Poland Road Over Poland Brook Conway, Massachusetts,” prepared by Green International Affiliates, Inc., dated April 2, 2024, and as amended. Said plans are also filed with the Town of Conway Town Clerk, or take any other vote or votes in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0  
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: 5-0

**ARTICLE 27:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, or reserve for later appropriation, monies from the **Community Preservation Fund**, with each item considered a separate appropriation, or take any other action relative thereto:

- A. \$150,000 from the Community Preservation Fund, specifically from the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve Account, to the Town of Conway Parks and Recreation Committee for the construction of four pickleball courts behind the Conway Grammar School for community use.
- B. From FY 2025 Annual Revenue (estimated):
  - 10% to the Community Preservation Historical Resources Reserve (\$10,199.71, estimated);
  - 10% to the Community Preservation Community Housing Reserve (\$10,199.71, estimated);
  - 10% to the Community Preservation Open Space Reserve (\$10,199.71, estimated);
  - 5% from FY 2024 Annual Revenues for Administration of the Community Preservation Committee (\$5,099.85, estimated); and
  - the remainder to the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve (\$66,298.10, estimated)

SUBMITTED BY: Community Preservation Committee

**PLEASE NOTE: FOR CHANGES SHOWN TO *EXISTING* GENERAL AND ZONING BYLAWS, DELETIONS ARE IN STRIKEOUT AND ADDITIONS ARE UNDERLINED.**

**ARTICLE 28:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Conway Revolving Funds Bylaw by adding the following fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

| Revolving Fund   | Entity Authorized to Spend from Fund | Fee, Charges, or Receipts Credited to Fund                                                        | Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund                  | Restrictions or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund | Other Requirements/ Reports | Fiscal Years                          |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Transfer Station | Town Administrator                   | Income to the transfer station from fees charged for materials deposited at the transfer station. | Expenses Related to the administration of the transfer station. | Limit of \$10,000.00 Per Fiscal Year                     | None                        | Fiscal Year 2025 and Subsequent Years |

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
 SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Conway, Bylaw TOWN OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES Section 2 as follows or take any other action relative thereto.

**TOWN OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

**Section 2:** Only Conway residents shall be allowed to serve as voting members of Boards, Committees, and Commissions; however appointed **associate** members of town boards will be allowed to serve and vote, whether town residents or not (Amended- Annual Meeting - 09 May 2016)

SUBMITTED BY: Planning Board  
 SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 2-1

**ARTICLE 30:** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Conway, ARTICLE 6: ADMINISTRATION, Section 62 as follows or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 6: ADMINISTRATION**

**SECTION 62: Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals**

The Planning Board shall consist of five elected members and one appointed associate member, which Board shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this Bylaw and Chapter 40A of the General Laws in the manner prescribed by the said law and by this Bylaw.

There is hereby established a Zoning Board of Appeals of three members and two associate members, to be appointed by the Selectboard, which Board of Appeals shall act on all matters within its jurisdiction under this Bylaw and Chapter 40A of the General Laws in the manner prescribed by the said law and by this Bylaw. (Amended 5 Jun 2021)  
 2/3rds vote

SUBMITTED BY: Planning Board  
 SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 2-1

**ARTICLE 31:** To see if the town will vote to authorize and request the Selectboard to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth for Home Rule Legislation to establish a special fund for the Festival of the Hills Receipts for the Town of Conway and further to approve any recommended changes from Senate or House Counsel or senator or local representative, the text of the special legislation is available at the Town Clerk’s office and will be at Town Meeting or take any action relative thereto.

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL FUND FOR THE FESTIVAL OF THE HILLS RECEIPTS FOR THE TOWN OF CONWAY**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding section 53 of chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the town of Conway may establish a special fund for the deposit of any proceeds from the annual Festival of the Hills, any state, federal or other grants and any local appropriations for such purpose. Interest earned on the fund shall be treated as general fund revenue for the town. Any balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall carry over to the next fiscal year and thereafter if not then expended for the purposes set forth in this act.

(b) Proceeds from the fund shall be used at the discretion of the Festival of the Hills Committee of the town of Conway without further appropriation first (1) to pay all expenses for the Festival of the Hills event in the town of Conway; and (2) thereafter a portion or all of the remaining net balance in the fund in any given year may be expended at the discretion of the Festival of the Hills Committee as scholarship grants to graduating high school seniors in the town of Conway to further their education or training provided that no funds received pursuant to local appropriation shall be used for scholarship purposes; and (3) any remaining balance to be used for the purposes set forth above.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0

**ARTICLE 32.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following General Bylaw establishing a Festival of the Hills Committee for the Town or take any other action relative thereto:

**Festival of the Hills Committee Bylaw**

Section 1. There shall be a Festival of the Hills Committee of the Town of Conway consisting of up to seven citizens of the Town. The Selectboard shall appoint members to the committee for terms not to exceed three years, full terms to begin on the first day of July. The original members shall be appointed for terms so as to stagger the terms of office, 3 members to be appointed for a term of three years, 2 members to be appointed for a term of two years, and 2 members to be appointed for a term of one year, thereafter appointments shall be for three year terms. The Festival of the Hills Committee shall elect its own officers. The Committee shall serve without salary. The Committee shall hold scheduled meetings at least once in every two months of the calendar years and more if necessary. A member absent from one third of the meetings in any year of his/her term or for other cause may be removed by a majority vote of the Selectboard after due notice to that member of the impending removal action.

Section 2. In the event of any vacancy in its membership, the Festival of the Hills Committee shall notify the Selectboard in writing, and the Selectboard and Committee shall fill the vacancy pursuant to M.G.L. c. 41, section 11. Such appointee shall serve the remaining portion of the term of the prior member.

Section 3. The Festival of the Hills Committee shall be responsible for planning, organizing and facilitating the Festival of the Hills in the Town of Conway annually. The Committee shall furnish for the Report for each annual Town Meeting a statement of the doings of the Committee for the fiscal year last closed and an accounting of the funds received and expended from the Festival of the Hills special fund for the fiscal year last closed.

Section 4. The Committee shall have authority and control over the Festival of the Hills special fund.

Section 7. A quorum of members will be a majority of the appointed members at the time of any meeting. Each vote taken shall require a quorum and a majority vote of the quorum to be effective.

SUBMITTED BY: Selectboard  
SELECTBOARD RECOMMENDATION: 3-0



CITIZEN'S PETITION

ARTICLE 33. To determine if the Town will authorize and request the Selectboard to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth for Home Rule Legislation to allow any citizens in the Town of Conway, notwithstanding the provisions of M.G.L. 51, Sections 1, and Section 47A, who have reached the age of 16 or older, to register and vote in municipal elections within the Town, or to take any action in relative thereto.

The meeting will then adjourn until Thursday, June 6, 2024 to the Town Hall between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., to bring in their votes for:

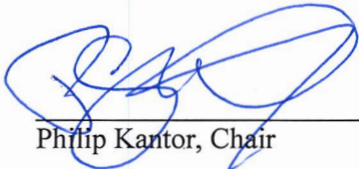
- One member of the Selectboard for three years;
- One member of the Board of Assessors for three years;
- One member of the Board of Health for three years;
- Two members of the Board of Health for two years;
- One Constable for one year;
- One member of the Local School Committee for three years;
- Moderator for one year;
- Two members of the Planning Board for three years;
- One member of the Planning Board for two years.



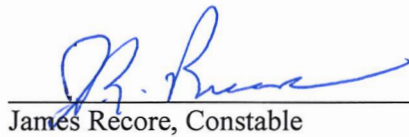
And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in two public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

**THEREOF FAIL NOT** and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, two thousand twenty-four.



Philip Kantor, Chair



James Recore, Constable

5/1, 2024  
(date)



Erica Goleman

Posted at:  
Conway Post Office  
Baker's Country Store  
Town Hall  
Town Office Building

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Christopher Waldo

TOWN OF CONWAY SELECTBOARD

