

Town Meeting Government

Conway's form of governance is the **open town meeting**/Board of Selectmen. An open town meeting is a form of town meeting in which all registered voters of a town may vote (as opposed to having elected town councilors vote on behalf of the town's population). This form of government is typical of smaller municipalities in New England. As a form of government, it eliminates town councilmen as middlemen.

In the words of Henry David Thoreau,

I am more and more convinced that, with reference to any public question, it is more important to know what the country thinks of it than what the city thinks. The city does not think much. On any moral question, I would rather have the opinion of Boxboro than of Boston and New York put together. When the former speaks, I feel as if somebody had spoken, as if humanity was yet, and a reasonable being had asserted its rights — as if some unprejudiced men among the country's hills had at length turned their attention to the subject, and by a few sensible words redeemed the reputation of the race. When, in some obscure country town, the farmers come together to a special town-meeting, to express their opinion on some subject which is vexing the land, that, I think, is the true Congress, and the most respectable one that is ever assembled in the United States.

In Massachusetts any town with fewer than 6,000 residents may adopt only an *open town meeting* form of government. (Massachusetts towns with 6,000 or more residents may optionally adopt a representative town meeting form of government.) The Board of Selectmen calls the town meeting by issuing the warrant, which is the list of items—known as articles—to be voted on, with descriptions of each article. The Moderator officiates the meeting by reading each article, explaining it, and making sure the rules of parliamentary procedure are followed, interpreting voice votes and counting other votes. The Finance Committee makes recommendations on articles dealing with money, and may draft the proposed budget. The Town Clerk serves as the clerk of the meeting by recording its results. Town Counsel makes legal recommendations on all articles of the warrant, to ensure town meeting is acting lawfully. All registered voters are free to attend and vote on all articles.

In the Town's *Annual Report*, which is available at the Town office at 32 Main Street, you will find the names of the various Boards and Committees that take responsibility for the smooth functioning of this community.

It is important to know that Conway's annual budget and other significant issues are decided at the Annual Town Meeting which takes place the second Monday in May at 7:30 p.m. at the Conway Grammar School. During the year, town business is handled by the Select Board, which meets each Monday at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office from January to Town Meeting in May, and then every other Monday through the end of December.

Conway is one of the few towns in Massachusetts that still conducts a non-partisan form of town government. Candidates for elected office are nominated at the Citizen's Caucus, which meets in

early March at the Town Hall, 5 Academy Hill Road. Conway residents are encouraged to participate in this important process. The annual Town Election takes place at the Town Hall on the Thursday following the Town Meeting.

Annual town meetings

Annual town meetings are held the second Monday in May and may also be known as the annual budget meeting. State law requires that they be held between February 1 and June 30 (the end of the fiscal year). At this meeting, the town takes care of any outstanding housekeeping items it has remaining before the end of the current fiscal year, and prepares to enter the new fiscal year by approving the new fiscal year's budget. It may also vote on non-budgetary issues on the warrant, including the town's general and zoning bylaws and citizens' petitions.

An article may be placed on the warrant by the Selectmen, sometimes at the request of town departments, or by a petition signed by at least ten registered voters of the town.

Special town meetings

Special town meetings are held whenever necessary, usually to deal with financial or other pertinent issues that develop between Annual Town Meetings. They function the same as an annual town meeting, only the number of signatures required on a petition rises to 100. While the Selectmen generally call such a meeting, voters may call one through petition, and the number of signatures required on a petition to call a Special Town Meeting is 200 or 20% of the registered voters, whichever number is lower. The selectmen have 45 days from the date of receiving such a petition to hold a Special Town Meeting.

Town Election

The **Town Election** is held the Thursday after the Annual Town Meeting in May.

REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES (FY2017)

What is the current tax rate?

The tax rate for FY2017 is \$17.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value. If your taxable value is \$300,000, you can calculate the tax by the following formula: $\$300,000/\$1,000 = 300$.

$$300 * \$17.75 = \$5,325.00 \text{ tax for the year}$$

What is the "Comm Pres Fund" listed on my bill?

The Community Preservation Fund is a 1.5% surcharge on the tax which goes to a fund to be used specifically toward recreation, historic preservation, open space and low-income housing projects. The state contributes toward the fund, too, in the towns that have adopted it. It is applied to everyone's bill at 1.5% of the amount of the tax and is administered by a separate CPF Committee here in town. This money does not go into the general operating funds of the town, only to the specific CPF projects, as approved by Town Meeting.

At what ratio is property assessed?

By law, property is valued at 100% of full and fair cash value, based on proven sales in the Conway market.

What does 100% of full and fair cash value mean?

The courts have defined this phrase to mean "current market value". Thus, in determining value, the Assessors seek to approximate what property would sell for on the open market. The mass appraisal process of assessing allows a an acceptable range of value as compared to the appraisal of individual properties for mortgages or estates.

Can I check the valuation of any property or just my own?

Valuations are public record. You can either call or come in to the Assessor's office with the property location or owner's name to find the current or past valuation for any property in Conway.

How do I find the ownership of property or when it was sold or the price paid?

The Assessors' office has this information (updated monthly) and a book and page reference on the property record card all properties. You can also research this at the Franklin County Registry of Deeds, now located on Olive Street in Greenfield or available online at <http://www.masslandrecords.com/>.

What is the assessment date of all property?

The assessment date is the January 1st preceding the fiscal year, so the FY2017 bill reflects the property's condition on Jan. 1, 2016.

Whose name goes on the tax bill? If a property is sold, when will the bill reflect the new ownership?

The name on the tax bill is the record owner(s) as of January 1st preceding the fiscal year, however the new owner's name is included on the bill if the property has been sold, in order to have it reach the person responsible for paying the bill. Property tax bills are mailed to the owner of record, not to a mortgage company, so it is the property owner's responsibility to see that it is forwarded if someone else will actually be paying it.

How do I change my mailing address for tax billing?

Contact our office by mail or e-mail to change a mailing address – otherwise we must use the mailing address given on the deed – we don't always know if you have moved to your new Conway property or where you receive your mail.

How do I change a name on my property/tax bill?

The only ways to change a name on a property/tax bill is to either record a new deed or to provide the Assessors' office with a probated will.

How often are tax bills issued?

The Tax Collector mails bill semi-annually, usually at the end of March and end of September.

When are tax bills due?

Tax bills are due on May 1 and on November 1.

What is an abatement or an exemption?

An abatement is a reduction in the taxable value of a property if it is overvalued – it has nothing to do with one's ability to pay the tax but only with the value of the real estate or taxable personal property. An exemption is a reduction in the amount of tax to be paid based on a personal circumstance of the property owner.

ABATEMENTS

Who is eligible to file for an abatement?

Anyone who feels that their property is overvalued in itself or exempt from taxes may file for an abatement. You should ask yourself these questions before filing:

- Is the assessors' information on my property record card correct?
- Is my value proportionate with other similar Conway properties?
- Is my value in line with recent sale prices in Conway?
- Would I sell my property for the assessed value?

Remember that you are appealing your assessment (taxable value), not the amount of taxes due. Filing for abatement does not delay the date you must pay the billed tax and paying it late may result in interest charges or other fees from the Collector.

Where do I get applications for abatement?

Applications are available at the Tax Collector's office, the Assessors' office and on the town website at

<http://www.townofconway.com/departments/assessors/> - see "Forms and Downloads".

When do I file for an abatement for overvaluation? Is there a fee?

You must file after the final bill has been mailed and by its due date. This is usually Oct .1 – Nov. 1 of each year. By law, the assessors cannot accept applications for abatement at any other time or a late filing. There is no fee at the town level for filing for abatement, only if the matter is carried on to the state Appellate Tax Board (see below).

Where do I file an application for abatement?

You can (1) mail in an application (USPS postmark on or before the final filing date), (2) bring to the Assessors' Office in the Town Hall, (3) leave it in the Assessors' mailbox at the Town Offices or (4) submit it by e-mail to assessors@townofconway.com.

After I've filed an application for abatement, what is the process?

The Assessors will review your application at a regular meeting and would be glad to have you present it in person. In any case, they will make an appointment to visit the property for a complete inspection, inside and out. This gives you an opportunity to show them exactly what you think is an error in their description of the property or any feature that you think alters the value. A site visit usually takes about 30 minutes. They will then reconsider your application at their next meeting, which you are also welcome to attend if you wish, and, if appropriate, will recalculate the taxable value of your property. They then vote on whether to grant abatement and the amount to be given and complete paperwork to officially notify the Tax Collector of the change. Your taxable value for the following year will start at the abated value.

Are abatement applications public records?

Abatement amounts and application reports are public records. However, individual abatement applications are not available to the public for inspection under the public records law.

What happens if my abatement is approved?

If your application for abatement is successful, you will receive a notice indicating the amount of the abatement in tax dollars and the Tax Collector will apply the abatement to reduce your spring tax bill. You can ask the Assessors for the details on how much your taxable value was reduced and why.

If the Town denies my application, do I have any recourse?

If you disagree with the Assessors' decision on your application or on the amount the value was adjusted, you have 90 days in which to ask them to readdress the application and you may add pertinent information to your original request.

If you are still dissatisfied with their answer, you can file an appeal within 3 months of the date of denial to the:

Appellate Tax Board (ATB)
100 Cambridge Street Suite 200
Boston, MA. 02114
(617) 727-3100

This is a review board at the state level who can hear both sides of the case in an informal court setting and their decision overrides the Assessors. There is a filing fee for the ATB

Call the ATB for an application; or go to <http://www.mass.gov/anf/hearings-and-appeals/oversight-agencies/atb>. The application is not difficult to complete, and the ATB's purpose is to be an impartial professional arbitrator. They are a small board and usually have a backlog of work, so your case may not be heard for a number of months. Caution: If you do not pay the tax bill on time, in full, as billed, you lose your right to appeal.

EXEMPTIONS

Who is eligible to file for a personal exemption?

Exemptions are based on the personal circumstances of the property owner and are available to

- (1) qualifying veterans and their widows,
- (2) the blind,
- (3) senior citizens with limited financial means
- (4) surviving spouses and children with limited financial means.

Each category has its own qualifying factors and you must reapply each year to continue to receive an exemption. The person filing for the exemption must have at least a partial ownership in the real estate (which may be a life tenancy), it must be their legal residence (even if they are in a hospital or nursing home), and they must provide certain personal information as part of the application.

Filing for exemption does not delay the date you must pay the billed tax and paying it late may result in interest charges or other fees from the Collector.

Where do I get applications for exemption?

Applications are available at the Assessors' office and on the town website at <http://www.townofconway.com/departments/assessors/> - see "Forms and Downloads".

When do I file for an exemption? Is there a fee?

You must file with 90 days after the final bill has been mailed. This is usually Oct .1 – Dec. 31 of each year. By law, the assessors cannot accept exemption applications at any other time or a late filing. There is no fee for filing for exemption.

Where do I file my application for exemption?

You can (1) mail in an application (USPS postmark on or before the final filing date), (2) bring to the Assessors' Office in the Town Hall, (3) leave it in the Assessors' mailbox at the Town Offices or (4) submit it by e-mail to assessors@townofconway.com.

After I've filed an application for exemption, what is the process?

The Assessors will review your completed application at a regular meeting, but any personal or financial information that you must provide is NOT revealed in public meeting and is not available to the public. They then determine if you qualify for the exemption requested and the amount to be given and complete paperwork to officially notify the Tax Collector of the change for this tax year.

Are exemption applications public records?

Completed applications are not public record, and are kept in a locked file. Individual abatement applications are not available to the public for inspection under the public records law.

What happens if my exemption application is approved?

If you qualify for an exemption, you will receive a notice indicating the amount of the reduction in both your tax bill and the corresponding Community Preservation Fund surcharge and the Tax Collector will apply the reductions to reduce your spring tax bill.

If the Town denies my application, do I have any recourse?

If you disagree with the Assessors' decision on your application or on the amount adjusted, you have 90 days in which to ask them to readdress the application and you may add pertinent information to your original request.

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COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, AND ELECTED BOARDS

Town Board members are elected; members of committees are appointed by the Select Board or the Moderator. Vacancies are announced on the Town website, www.townofconway.com. For more information about joining one of these groups, please contact the Assistant to the Town Administrator at 413-369-4235 x0.

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

- MEMBERSHIP: 5
- VACANCIES:
- CHAIR: JASON SILVERMAN
- MEETING TIMES: 2ND Thursdays 7PM
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Agricultural Commission protects and promotes agriculture in Conway. The Commission dedicated its work in FY2017 to drafting Conway's Right to Farm Bylaw, which was approved at Town Meeting in May 2017.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS (ELECTED)

- MEMBERSHIP: 3
- CHAIR: NATALIE H. WHITCOMB
- MEETING TIMES: To be determined
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Board calculates the tax rate for Conway based on the operating budget approved by Town Meeting and non-tax sources of revenues and expenses; conducts valuations on real estate, personal property, and motor vehicles; maintains the GIS website; and reviews eligibility for various abatements or exemptions. The Board's work is regulated and overseen by the state Department of Revenue.

BOARD OF HEALTH (ELECTED)

- MEMBERSHIP: 5
- CHAIR: CARL NELKE
- MEETING TIMES: 2ND & 4TH Mondays 7PM
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Board of Health enforces state laws relating to septage, garbage and food service establishments; oversees animal health issues; operates the Town Transfer Station; and issues a variety of licenses and permits.

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

- MEMBERSHIP: 4
- CHAIR: VIRGINIA KNOWLTON
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Board of Registrars registers new voters, prepares absentee ballots, and certifies voters for local, state, and national elections. Presidential election years are especially busy!

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 5
- CHAIR: BOB ARMSTRONG
- MEETING TIMES: This Committee meets on as as-needed basis.
- RESPONSIBILITIES: This Committee works to facilitate the provision of state-of-the-art communications technology to Conway residents

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLANNING COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 5 (1 REPRESENTATIVE FROM SELECT BOARD, 1 REPRESENTATIVE FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE; 3 AT-LARGE)
- CHAIR: TBD
- MEETING TIMES: 4TH Wednesdays 6:30 PM
- RESPONSIBILITIES: This Committee is working on establishing the capital needs of Conway and is implementing a long-range capital plan, thereby minimizing unanticipated expenditures.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 6
- VACANCIES: 1 (CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE)
- CHAIR:
- MEETING TIMES: This Committee meets on as as-needed basis.
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The CPC manages a special fund for open space/recreation, historic preservation, and community housing needs in Conway and accepts funding proposals for Town projects.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

- MEMBERSHIP: 5

- *VACANCIES:*
- CHAIR: BRUTON STRANGE
- MEETING TIMES: 2ND & 4TH Tuesdays 7:30 PM
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Conservation Commission administers conservation restrictions on behalf of the Town and makes formal determinations for land/homeowners as to whether the requirements of either the Wetlands Protection Act or the Rivers Act applies to projects by interpreting state regulations.

COUNCIL ON AGING

- MEMBERSHIP: 6
- *VACANCIES:* 1
- CHAIR: PATRICIA LYNCH
- MEETING TIMES: 1ST Wednesdays 9:30 AM
- RESPONSIBILITIES: Meeting monthly to assess the needs of Conway's seniors, COA advocates for elders in the community. Its members sponsor a bimonthly foot screening clinic with RN Lisa White; weekly senior exercise classes from September through May; daily meals by Meals on Wheels; and social events.

CULTURAL COUNCIL

- MEMBERSHIP: 6
- CO-CHAIRS: GISELLE LITALIEN & MICHELLE SANGER
- MEETING TIMES: The Cultural Council meets in November to review State grant applications; additional meetings are held in the spring and early fall.
- RESPONSIBILITIES: Managing a state-sponsored fund that supports the cultural enhancements of the residents of Conway.

ENERGY COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 4
- *VACANCIES:* 2
- CHAIR: PETER MARTIN
- MEETING TIMES: As needed
- RESPONSIBILITIES: This committee looks at all Town-related energy use. In addition, it is responsible for the Town's Green Community status and oversees the projects under that

program. The Energy Committee also looks at the long-term energy use of the Town and recommends conservation and renewable energy options.

FINANCE COMMITTEE (MODERATOR APPOINTED)

- MEMBERSHIP: 5
- CHAIR: ALAN SINGER
- MEETING TIMES: As needed
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Finance Committee recommends proposed appropriations for the Town's budget, allows transfers from the Reserve Fund, and may participate in other financial activities of the Town.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

- MEMBERSHIP: 7
- CHAIR: SARAH WILLIAMS
- MEETING TIMES: VARIED SCHEDULE
- RESPONSIBILITIES: Massachusetts General Laws provide for the establishment of historical commissions for the preservation, protection, and development of the historical or archeological assets of cities and towns. The Historical Commission in Conway conducts research for places of historic value and makes recommendations, subject to the approval of the Select Board, that such places be certified as historical landmarks.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 5-7
- VACANCIES: 1
- CHAIR: JANET CHAYES
- MEETING TIMES: EVERY OTHER MONTH, VARIED SCHEDULE
- RESPONSIBILITIES: To provide information about and facilitate conservation and open space management; to review/revise and propose relevant bylaws.

PARKS, RECREATION & TRAILS COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 8
- CHAIR: ROBERT ANDERSON (INTERIM)
- MEETING TIMES: 2ND Wednesdays 6 PM

- RESPONSIBILITIES: Committee members operate the Conway Youth Sports programs, as well as create and oversee other recreational activities for the Town.

PLANNING BOARD

- MEMBERSHIP: 7
- CHAIR: Beth Girshman
- MEETING TIMES: 1ST & 3RD Thursdays 6 PM
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Planning Board is tasked with drafting, amending, and modifying zoning by-laws, and granting special permits. It is also charged with creating a Master Plan that forecasts the Town's long-term housing, land use, economic development, environmental, and recreational needs.

WASTEWATER COMMITTEE

- MEMBERSHIP: 5
- VACANCIES: 2
- CHAIR: Joe Strzegowski
- MEETING TIMES: Scheduled and posted as needed
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The Committee was established and funded by the 2014 Annual Town Meeting to determine the feasibility of creating a downtown village wastewater collection and disposal system. A preliminary design bid was awarded to engineering contractors in January 2017.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

- MEMBERSHIP: 4
- VACANCIES: 1
- CHAIR: Mark Silverman
- MEETING TIMES: Scheduled and posted as needed
- RESPONSIBILITIES: The ZBA is empowered to hear and decide appeals from decisions of building inspectors and other permit-granting authorities and to hear and decide petitions for variances.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Kenneth Ouimette, Chief of Police 413-369-4235 x7
police@townofconway.com
Town Office
32 Main Street
Conway, MA 01341

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Robert Baker, Fire Chief 413-369-4235 x4
fire@townofconway.com
Town Office
32 Main Street
Conway, MA 01341

AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT

Gemma Vanderheld 413-369-4235 x9
ambulance@townofconway.com

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT Town of Conway

George Murphy, Director 413-768-1949 (cell)
emd@townofconway.com

Philip Snow, Assistant Director 231-409-7837

Shelburne State Police Dispatch 413-625-8200

Emergency Assistance 911

AREA BANKS AND ATMs



Greenfield Savings Bank (branch)

181 Parsons Road
Conway, MA 01341

413-369-4333

Hours	Lobby	Drive-Up
MON	10 to 4:00	9:30 to 4:00
TUE	10 to 4:00	9:30 to 4:00
WED	10 to 4:00	9:30 to 4:00
THU	10 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00
FRI	10 to 5:00	9:30 to 5:00
SAT	9 to Noon	9 to Noon

Services

- ATM 24-hr drive-up
- Night Deposit

People's United Bank (South Deerfield branch)

28 Elm Street
South Deerfield, MA 01373

(413) 665-8549

Hours	Lobby	Drive-Up
MON	9 to 4:00	8:30 to 4:00
TUE	9 to 4:00	8:30 to 4:00
WED	9 to 4:00	8:30 to 4:00
THU	open until 4:00	open until 4:00
FRI	9 to 6:00	8:30 to 6:00
SAT	9 to Noon	9 to Noon

Services

- Safe Deposit Box
- Drive-up
-
- Temporary Debit Cards
- Night depository

ATM Attributes

- Envelope
- Deposit cutoff 7pm

Customer Service Phone:

1(800) 894-0300

ATMs (Greenfield)

Bank of America

- Routes 16 & 5 & 10, Whately, MA 01093

Citizens Bank

- Greenfield Stop & Shop, 89 French King Hwy., Greenfield, MA 01301 (limited hours, voice assisted)
- Cumberland Farms, 317 Federal St., Greenfield, MA 01301 (limited hours, voice assisted)

TD Bank

- 324 Main St., Greenfield, MA 01301 (voice enabled)
- 5 Pierce St. (Walgreens), Greenfield, MA 01301 (voice enabled)

Greenfield Cooperative Bank

- 63 Federal St., Greenfield, MA 01301 (24-hr. drive-up ATM)
- 277 Federal St., Greenfield, MA 01301 (24-hr. drive-up ATM)

Transfer Station Info

The Transfer Station is located on Old Cricket Hill Road and is open to receive trash and recyclables on:

- Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sundays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Hazardous Waste Collection

- 1st Saturday of the month
- 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Transfer station phone: (413) 369-4727

WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?

Conway has been very successful in its recycling efforts. The Town manages to save a great deal of money each year by doing so. There is a shed for exchange of clothing, shoes and a small number of books. There is also a large metal container for the collection of books which will be recycled off-site (no browsing, please). The Attendants will gladly provide information and assistance.

Permit required to use the Conway Transfer Station

Board of Health Regulations state that the use of the transfer station is limited to Conway residents who have purchased and display a special permit sticker on their vehicle. Such permits may be obtained from the transfer station attendant for an annual fee of \$10 upon demonstration of proof of residency.

Conway Transfer Station—Schedule of Fees

The following items require the payment of a fee for disposal (please see the Attendant):

Appliances (white goods) – \$12.00

Includes stoves, refrigerators (with doors removed), dishwashers, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, humidifiers with cooling coils.

Tires

Regular sizes up to 17" – \$2.00

Mounted – \$5.00

Large sizes above 17" – \$5.00

Semi truck tires – \$20.00

Tractor tires, large – \$20.00

Bicycle, wheelbarrow, etc. – \$2.00
Any above, if mounted, additional – \$5.00

Electronics

All CRTs, TVs, monitors, laptops – \$10.00
Large console CRTs in cabinets – \$15.00
Large screen TVs (greater than 36") – \$20.00
All other electronics – No Charge

Mattresses and Box Springs

Each mattress and box spring – \$25.00

In addition to the above list...

YES

Bulky Waste Microwave ovens (fee applies); chairs, sofas, tables; bookcases and shelves; mattresses and box springs (fee applies); bed frames; remove nails and sharp items

NO

Construction or demolition debris; bricks, cement, sheet rock, shingles; house siding, plywood, windows; glass; wood longer than 4 feet

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AREA CHURCHES & RELIGIOUS CENTERS

United Congregational Church of Conway, PO Box 214, Conway, MA 01341

Telephone: 978-544-2801

pastor: Rev. Dr. Candice Ashenden

Sunday service:

9:30 am at the conway grammar school

Website: <http://www.uccofconway.org>

St. John's Episcopal Church, Main and South Streets, Ashfield, MA 01330

Telephone: 413-628-4402
moss@cs.umass.edu

Vicar: Rev. Eliot Moss,

Sunday service:

HOLY EUCHARIST
10 AM WITH HYMNS AND SERMON

LITANY OF HEALING
FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

Website: <http://stjohnsashfield.org>

Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, 29 Sugarloaf St. South Deerfield, Ma 01373

Telephone: 413-665-3254

Mass Times: Daily Monday - Thursday 8 am
Friday Communion Service 8:00am, First Friday Mass 8:00 am
Saturday 4 pm, Sunday 8am and 10:30 am
Confessions: Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment

Website: <http://www.holyfamilysd.org>

The First Church of Deerfield (UCC UU), 71 Old Main Street, Deerfield, MA 01342
Mailing: The First Church of Deerfield Po Box 276 Deerfield, Ma 01342

Telephone: 413-773-5323
Sunday service:
10:00 am

Pastor: Rev. Liza Knapp

Website: <http://www.firstchurchofdeerfield.org>

Descent of the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Church,
44 Sugarloaf Street, South Deerfield, MA 01373

Telephone: 413-583-2140
alt: (203) 391-4995

Administrator Father Andriy Krip

SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY:
10:30 AM

FEAST DAYS See Bulletin

CONFESSIONS available after Sunday Divine Liturgies, Feast Day Divine Liturgies, or by appointment.

Website: <http://www.dhsparish.com/services>

INTERNATIONAL DZOGCHEN COMMUNITY at Tsegyalgar East
P.O. Box 479
18 Schoolhouse Road, Conway, MA 01341

TELEPHONE: 413-369-4153
Fax: 413-369-4473

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS ARE TUESDAY-THURSDAY, 9:00 AM-6:00 PM.

TO ARRANGE FOR A VISIT PLEASE CONTACT THE SECRETARY, TIMOTHY FISHER,
AT 413-369-4153 OR EMAIL HIM AT: SECRETARY@TSEGYALGAR.ORG

Website: <http://tsegyalgar.org/>

Dining and Other Attractions ~ Conway

Baker's Country Store

101 River Street, Conway, Massachusetts 01341

Phone (413) 369-4936

Hours

- Mon – Thu 6:00 am - 6:30 pm
- Fri 6:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Sat – Sun 7:00 am - 6:00 pm

All the usual convenience store goods, plus delicious, homemade baked goods, fresh, local produce, and a hearty helping of Conway news!

Conway Inn

Main Street, Conway, MA 01341

Phone (413)

Closed Mondays

- Tue – Thu 4:00 pm - 12:00 am
- Fri 3:00 pm – 1:00 am
- Sat 12:00 pm – 1:00 am
- Sun 12:00 pm – 12:00 am

Serves local beer, spirits, and pizza; also celebrates St. Patrick's Day and Cinco de Mayo with special menus.

...and Environs

Elmer's

396 Main Street, Ashfield, MA 01330

Phone (413) 628-4003

Hours

- Mon 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Tue - Fri 7:00 am - 8:30 pm
- Sat 8:00 am - 8:30 pm
- Sun 8:00 am- 5:00 pm

Open daily, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner featuring fresh-baked treats and wholesome organic produce from local farms. The shop also offers local products for retail sales.

Wolfie's

52 S. Main Street, South Deerfield, MA 01373

Phone (413) 665-7068

Hours:

- Mon – Wed: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm
- Thur – Sat 11:00 am – 9:30 pm

Serving lunch and dinner; Early Bird Specials, kids' menu, full bar, and local beers on tap.

LOCAL MEDIA

The Visitor ~

...a newsletter published by the United Congregational Church, which is delivered free to all households on the Street List at the beginning of each month. Anyone can submit articles to The Visitor by emailing content to visitor@uccofconway.org by the 20th of each month.

Shelburne Falls and West County Independent ~

95 State Street
Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts 01370
(413) 625-9998

...a weekly newspaper requiring a subscription

The Recorder - Daily newspaper from Greenfield, MA

<http://www.recorder.com/~>

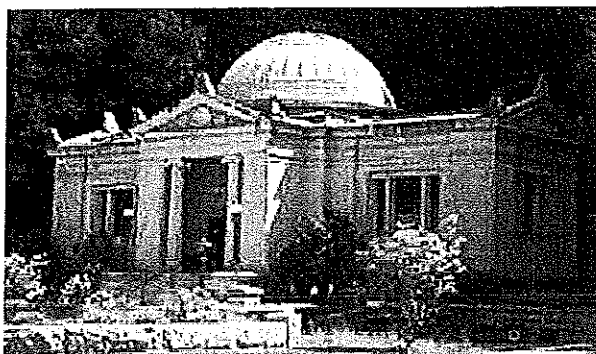
The Recorder Office
14 Hope Street,
Greenfield, MA 01302-1367
Phone: (413) 772-0261
Fax: (413) 772-2906

... Franklin-County-oriented daily newspaper available in print delivery and digital subscriptions

Community Bulletin Board~

...Comcast Cable Channel 15, provides Conway information of interest

Field Memorial Library*



The Field Memorial Library was a gift for the people of Conway from Marshall Field in memory of his father and mother, John and Fidelia Nash Field. Built by Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott, the library was dedicated on July 13, 1901. Mr. Field made provision for free library service for the people of Conway. The purchase and lending of books is supplemented by bookmobile books and videos, interlibrary loans, and internet access through the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System.

Street Address:

1 Elm Street
Conway, MA 01341-0189
(413) 369-4646

Hours

DAY	
MONDAY	1-6
TUESDAY	Closed
WEDNESDAY	2-7
THURSDAY	Closed
FRIDAY	Closed
SATURDAY	10-noon
SUNDAY	Closed

Staff

- – Director
- Aimee Anderson – Assistant
- Alexis Arcaro – Library Assistant

Trustees

Howard Boyden - Trustee Chair; Nat Cohen, Christine Eugin, Joanne Clapp

*Note: the library is not a Town function but is located in Conway.