

## September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Town Administrator Update:

- Conditions had been laid out by NHESP on the removal of trees from the South River which included swapping out the hydraulic fluid in the contractor's equipment with biodegradable hydraulic fluid. This would cost an additional \$8,500 and we did not know of any contractor willing to do the swap out as this oil can cause the equipment to overheat. I sent an email in to NHESP requesting that this condition be removed and the three hour job be allowed to proceed, and as of Friday they agreed that we did not have to have the hydraulic fluid swapped out but must instead monitor the cleanliness of the connections every hour. We have until October 15<sup>th</sup> to perform the work, which is when the turtles begin hibernating, and Emily Stockman will be performing the turtle sweep. The job is tentatively scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Jan Ameen tells me that the town had a good turnout for registrations for the household hazardous waste day in Greenfield on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, which is great news.
- I met with the Sustainability committee, and Allison Gage of the FRCOG was also in attendance. We discussed the upcoming free town-wide MVP program kick-off meal, as well as the Green Communities program data compliance. Conway had been out of compliance since 2018, and Allison has been helping us get data entered so that the town may again apply for Green Communities grants.
- Below is the latest update on committee vacancies.

### COMMITTEE / BOARD OPENINGS

| NAME                             | # of Vacancies |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Agricultural Commission          | Inactive       |
| Board of Health                  | 2              |
| Board of Registrars              | FULL           |
| Cable Advisory                   | 1              |
| Capital Improvements             | 1              |
| Cemetery Commission              | FULL           |
| Community & Economic Development | Inactive       |
| Community Preservation           | 2              |
| Conservation Commission          | FULL           |
| Cultural Council                 | FULL           |
| Finance                          | FULL           |
| Forest & Trails                  | FULL           |
| Historical Commission            | FULL           |
| Newsletter Committee             | FULL           |
| Open Space                       | FULL           |
| Parks & Recreation               | FULL           |
| Personnel                        | 2              |
| Planning Board                   | 1              |
| Public Buildings                 | FULL           |
| School Committee                 | FULL           |
| Sustainability                   | 2              |
| Zoning Board of Appeals          | 1              |