

November 3rd, 2025 Town Administrator Update

Most of the last two weeks have been spent creating the warrant for Special Town Meeting.

Boards, Committees and Departments

Information Technology We are currently stalled in our migration process until approval is received for additional expenditures at special town meeting.

Public Buildings The Public Buildings committee has voted to recommend to the Selectboard the allocation of the remaining funds in the highway facility, highway cold storage and boom lift accounts to help pay for the replacement of the roof in the public safety building garage, and that this be considered a high priority. The damage was unknown until recently, but several large leaks have been identified.

Transfer Station – Aaron Foster is almost done with the insulation and finishing of the TSA shed. Darrel Chase and I met to review the electricity possibilities for Mall, and I expect to hear back from him shortly. However, it is unlikely that anything other than space heaters and a window AC unit will be able to be plugged in to the Mall due to the lack of service options.

Grants

MOD ADA self-assessment funding – still awaiting notice of award status.

MVP FY27 – I submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI) through the new ECO ONE STOP grant portal and have a meeting with them to review on 11/10. The EOI includes embankment mitigation on Shelburne Falls Rd., best practices for erosion control on failing embankments, and a Conway version of Easthampton's MVP pamphlet on how to mitigate storm water on residential properties.

Meetings attended

- Jason Maloney of LifePath, Robin Yerkes & Jody Lally of MiM to discuss the senior home services grant.
- STAM fall meeting
- What's New in Municipal Law, including virtual sessions on accounting, assessing and treasurer/collector issues.
- Conway FY26 MVP kick-off meeting with the FRCOG and GZA.
- Zoom meeting with the Lieutenant Governor to discuss health care / HCGIT
- MVP 2.0 western Mass meeting
- Jeff Bellino, Conway native and engineer, to discuss the potential for grant applications for culvert replacements.