

July 27, 2026 Town Administrator Update

Boards, Committees & Departments

Treasurer - Jolene Lavallee has resigned effective 9/3/26 and Sean is looking for a replacement Assistant Treasurer/Collector.

Grants updates

Conway has been awarded a Municipal and Tribal Technical Assistance (**MTTA**) grant for **\$35,000** for updating the town's Hazard Mitigation Plan or HMP. These plans are good for five years and must be up to date in order to be able to apply for certain federal funds. Conway's was due to be updated in 2023 but grant funding for this had dried up for a few years.

Reimbursement requests have been sent in for MassWorks and will be sent in for MVP FY26 later this week.

I am working on the **\$75,000** earmark for design and engineering of the failing embankments along Shelburne Falls Road with the MassDOT LEAP program and the FRCOG. The eventual plan is to get this project, which will likely be very expensive, on the TIP (transportation improvement program) short list, which includes both state and federal funding.

Ron Sweet is working on ordering the grader; Chris was quoted in The Recorder about the MassDOT Grant Central Unpaved Roads equipment grant.

MassDOT has given final approval to begin the work on the Grant Central culvert design on Brester Road, and Jeff Bellino and I will meet soon to discuss next steps.

There is still no word from Eversource about Purchase & Sale agreement for the streetlights.

This past two years has seen at least 12 grants come through my office.

Meetings

I attended on of the statewide PILOT listening sessions, this one held at the FRCOG last week. The slide deck has been forwarded to you.