

ORG FUNCTION: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Department Number 171

Shannon Palmer
Conservation Administrator

Salaries:	\$108,740	3.5%
Expenses:	\$28,650	17.4%
Total Budget FY23:	\$137,390	6.2%

Mission & Services Overview

MISSION: The Conservation Department serves as the municipal focal point for environmental protection in North Attleborough. Working under the authority of the Conservation Commission Act of 1957, the Commission is responsible for protecting the community's important natural resources and acquiring land for conservation and recreation. The Commission is also responsible for administering and enforcing the MA Wetlands Protection Act (G.L. Ch. 131 §40), a law which protects wetlands and the public interests they provide including flood control, pollution prevention, storm damage prevention, protection of water supplies, and wildlife habitat.

SERVICES: In accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act and implementing regulations, the Conservation Commission reviews proposed activities and processes permit applications for work in and near wetlands, flood plains, banks, riverfront areas, and surface waters. The Conservation Commission also manages over 600 acres of conservation land, the two town ponds, and two high hazard dams. Further, the Commission is also a designated Stormwater Authority charged with protecting the town's water resources through administration of the North Attleborough Stormwater Bylaw.

FY22 Accomplishments

- Continued administration and enforcement of the WPA, issued 16 permits for work in Commission's jurisdiction (to date)
- Acquired one new property for conservation/open space with Certified Vernal Pool
- Adopted Stormwater Management and Land Disturbance Regulations (August)
- Reviewed all development projects (through Viewpoint) for compliance with Stormwater Bylaw and Stormwater Regulations to further protect town's water resources
- Aquatic Management Program at Falls and Whiting's ponds completed (July-September)
- Initiated Falls Pond Dam Maintenance project (CIP) as recommended in Phase I Inspection Report- work to be completed in Fall 2022
- Redesigned office, archived 10 years of files to improve function and add employee. Scanning project of all conservation files completed and current.

FY23 Goals and Objectives

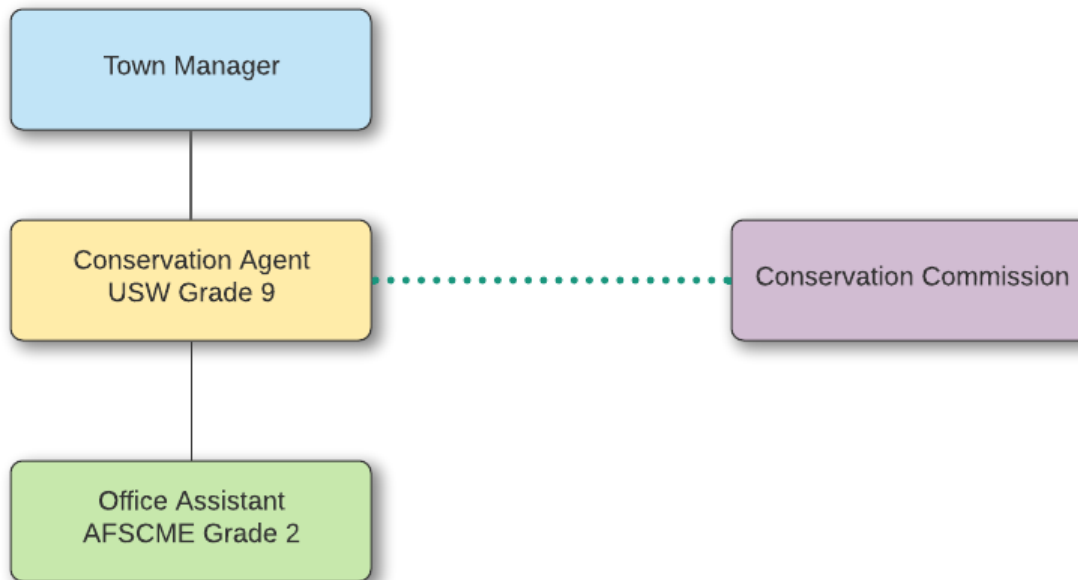
- Complete Department SOPs
- Continue implementation of Open Space and Recreation Plan- Seven Year Action Plan
- Pursue additional land acquisition opportunities, grants to meet objectives of OS&R Plan
- Pursue Wetlands Bylaw

Organizational Chart & Personnel Accounting

Authorized: 2

On-Hand: 2

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NEXT YEAR BUDGET HISTORICAL COMPARISON

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PROJECTION: 20231 OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL 2023

FOR PERIOD 99

ACCOUNTS FOR:

GENERAL FUND	PRIOR FY3 ACTUALS	PRIOR FY2 ACTUALS	LAST FY1 ACTUALS	CY ACTUALS	CY REV BUDGET	PROJECTION LEVEL 1	PCT CHANGE
171 CONSERVATION							
CONSERVATION SALARIES	73,245.47	87,809.84	95,475.38	80,791.60	105,030.00	108,740.00	3.5%
CONSERVATION EXPENSES	20,644.75	30,403.73	27,626.69	9,856.53	24,395.00	28,650.00	17.4%
CONSERVATION	93,890.22	118,213.57	123,102.07	90,648.13	129,425.00	137,390.00	6.2%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	93,890.22	118,213.57	123,102.07	90,648.13	129,425.00	137,390.00	6.2%
GRAND TOTAL	93,890.22	118,213.57	123,102.07	90,648.13	129,425.00	137,390.00	6.2%

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