

From: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>
Sent: Jun 03, 2025 13:35:29.000000000 UTC
Subject: RE: Town of Conway is #17
To: Ken Elstein <kenelstein@gmail.com>

I'm not sure who will do the presentation. He attends when he is available.

But I will let his office know once I hear if my nomination of the Stoneham BOH has been approved.

THE MVPHC is a seven-community coalition. Six of the seven make up Jason's entire district and they are the six that adopted NFG.

From: Ken Elstein <kenelstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 2, 2025 10:30 PM
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>
Subject: Re: Town of Conway is #17

Smart. Will Lewis and the State make the award? It is good both for the recipient and the awarders.

On Mon, Jun 2, 2025 at 9:29 PM Buzby, Maureen
<mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org> wrote:

Stoneham is in State Senator Jason Lewis's district. Jason filed the NFG bill in the state senate. Not the reason I'm nominating Stoneham, just adding that tid bit for your information.

From: Ken Elstein <kenelstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 2, 2025 8:23 PM
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>
Subject: Re: Town of Conway is #17

Got it! Great idea to honor people.

On Mon, Jun 2, 2025 at 8:12 PM Buzby, Maureen
<mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org> wrote:

But Brookline did it by Town Meeting by-law. This was a three-member board and only two members were present. Two people (who got beat up a lot during COVID) had the courage to vote to pass this policy in a conservative, blue-collar town. Lots of opposition. Pretty impressive.

From: Ken Elstein <kenelstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 2, 2025 12:28 PM
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>
Subject: Re: Town of Conway is #17

Wasn't Brookline first?

On Mon, Jun 2, 2025 at 11:55 AM Buzby, Maureen
<mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org> wrote:

YEAH! Great news.

I just nominated Stoneham Board of Health for a regional award as they were the first Board of Health in the world to adopt NFG.

I have to revise my nomination – I need to change 16 to 17.

Thank you!

From: Ken Elstein <kenelstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 2, 2025 11:39 AM
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>; Kate Silbaugh <kbsilbaugh@gmail.com>; Jonathan Winickoff <jwinickoff@mgh.harvard.edu>; Bonny Carroll <bcarroll@somervillema.gov>; Thomas L. Savage <tlsavage@mgh.harvard.edu>; Ginny <ginnychadwick@brandeis.edu>; MD <jlmacdonald@mgb.org>; Diane Stover-pepe <stoverd@mskcc.org>; Zachary Rich <zachary.rich@bmc.org>; Sigalle Reiss <sreiss@brooklinema.gov>; Mark Gottlieb <mark@phai.org>; Chui, Anthony <achui@cityofmelrose.org>; Anthony Ishak <aishakpharmd@yahoo.com>; Gregory Sawicki <drsawickiboh@gmail.com>; mchouhms@gmail.com; Isabel Tashie <IsabelTashie@gmail.com>; Heather Warner <HWarner@collaborative.org>; Kristen Hoag <khoag@belchertownps.org>; Shresta Chakilam <chakilamshresta@gmail.com>; Sharon.Levy@childrens.harvard.edu; Rory Milsark <rmilsark@gmail.com>; Merkin, Ross D.,MD <rdmerkin@mgb.org>; b.temelso@upstreampublichealth.org; Gail Gramarossa <glgramarossa@charter.net>; David Gottsegen <daveygmd@gmail.com>
Subject: Town of Conway is #17

I just learned that the Town of Conway approved Nicotine Free Generation following its public hearing on May 7th. The regional Health Agent, Randy Crochier, told me this by phone this morning.

Conway becomes the first town in Franklin County to approve NFG, and the first west of the Connecticut River. Since I do not believe that

Conway has any licensed dealers, I am not exactly sure what language was passed, but since it followed a public hearing, it must have been added to a Tobacco Regulation.

Nevertheless, I think we can add Conway (population 1,760) to our growing list of communities, with total populations of 574,712.

--Ken

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