



TOWN OF CONCORD

Town Manager's Report

Week of: August 6th, 2018

Summer Energy Demand

A new summer high load was set yesterday, August 6th. The New England system peak (Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire, and most of Maine) reached 24,685 Mega Watts between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Today's load is expected to be even higher than yesterday. Help reduce the summer peak demand for electricity. The current weather forecast confirms a peak electricity day Tuesday August 7th from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. is **LIKELY**.

If you are able to reduce your electricity use during these hours, you can help reduce electricity costs to all CMLP customers. During these hours, you might consider:

- turning up your A/C a few degrees
- turning off lights anywhere they are not needed and dimming others if they are dimmable
- postponing use of pool pumps, dryers, washing machines, and other appliances
- reducing plug load by turning off computers, televisions, etc.
- planning a picnic supper, or cooking dinner on the grill
- If you own an electric vehicle, not charging it during a peak demand event
- Pre-cooling your home, if you are there, with your A/C and then letting it coast without A/C until after the peak demand event
- Using fans instead of or in addition to A/C as fans use much less electricity than air conditioning
- Closing blinds on windows facing the sun
- Using smart power strips to turn off multiple devices with one touch
- Getting an energy assessment for your home or business to see if there are more electricity-saving opportunities. Find out more information here: www.concordma.gov/1751/Energy-Management-Renewable-Energy-Effic



STATE PRIMARY VOTER INFORMATION

September 4th, 2018

Voter Registration Deadline: Wednesday, August 15, 2018

- o Register to vote online www.RegisterToVoteMA.com, in person or by mail (must be postmarked by August 15th)
- o Check your voter registration status online: <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/VoterRegistrationSearch/MyVoterRegStatus.spx>; By phone: 978-318-3080; or email: townclerk@concordma.gov.

Voting by Absentee Ballot

Absentee Ballots are now available

- o Application deadline is Friday, August 31st at 5:00pm (due to the Monday holiday)
- o View the three primary ballots for Concord
- o How to apply
 - Apply at the counter and you may vote at the counter or we will mail you the ballot
 - Apply by mail (or email a signed request) and we will mail you the ballot
 - Absentee Ballot Application
- o Unenrolled (also known as Independent) and Political Designation voters need to choose a party ballot in order to participate in the Primary. You are not automatically enrolled in that party.
- o Absentee Voting for Military and Overseas U.S. Citizens

For more information visit: <http://concordma.gov/townclerk>

Do you ever find yourself wondering "How am I supposed to find out about Town and community events?" Do your friends ever ask you how you found out about an event that they haven't heard of? Help us figure out how to help!

Take this short 1 question survey and help us get the information you care about to YOU!

concordma.gov/comsurvey

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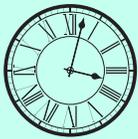
COMMUNITY FORUM



**AUGUST 28TH
5:30 - 7:00 PM**

**JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY FORUM AT THE "GEROW
PROPERTY" AT 369 COMMONWEALTH AVE
TO VIEW THE PROPERTY AND PROVIDE INSIGHT INTO ITS
FUTURE USE**

PARKING AVAILABLE ALONG THE DRIVEWAY



5:30 – 6:15 – Property Walk-through

6:15 - Presentations and community input

Please call 978-318-3052 with questions