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Ashburnham Municipal Light Plant Receives State Grant for EV Charging Infrastructure

Ashburnham, MA -- August 31, 2021 – Ashburnham Municipal Light Plant (AMLP), the consumer-owned electric utility company serving the residents, businesses and institutions of Ashburnham, has been awarded a state grant to install a new public electric vehicle (EV) charging station.

AMLP is receiving a grant of \$28,158 from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection’s Electric Vehicle Incentive Program Public Access Charging Program. The grant will be used to install four charging ports at Town Hall, 32 Main Street, Ashburnham. AMLP expects to have the new charging station installed before the end of 2021.

AMLP, with the assistance of their joint action agency, the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC), applied for the grant because EVs are the future.

“This is a good thing for Ashburnham because receiving the grant allows additional capital planning to be earmarked for future EV installations,” said Kevin Sullivan, AMLP General Manager.

Sullivan said the grant helps the light department align with the Commonwealth’s carbon emission reduction goals.

“The AMLP is thrilled to have been selected for a grant from MassDEP, who were very helpful throughout the application process,” Sullivan said. “This grant continues to move Ashburnham in the direction of carbon reduction by providing the impetus for electric vehicle purchases and expanding the EV infrastructure in town.”

Ashburnham also has a two-port charging station at the library on Memorial Drive. Once the new charging station is installed at the Town Hall, there will be six EV charging ports in town.

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