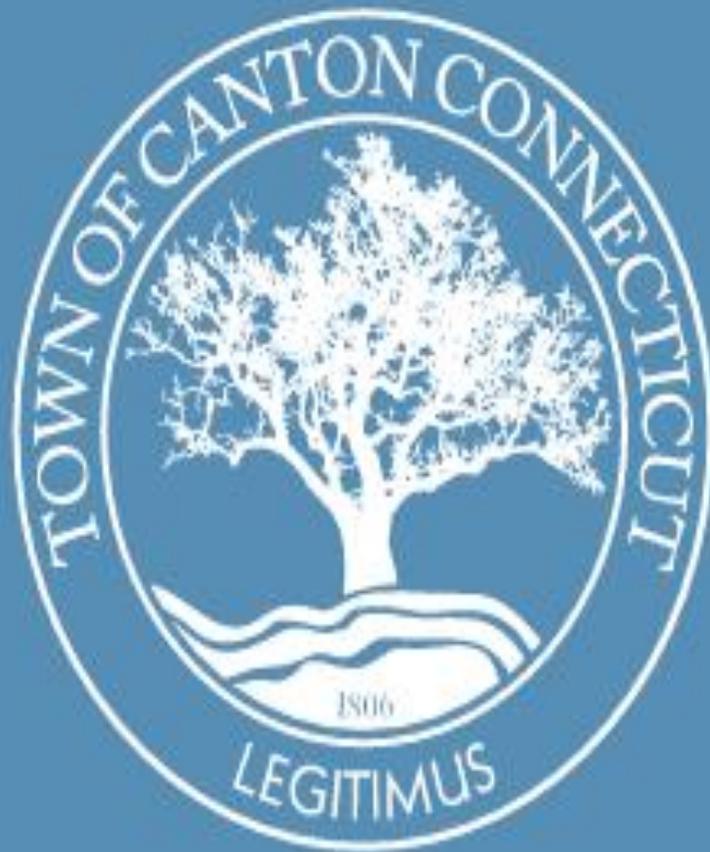


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Town of Canton Annual Report Fiscal Year 2017-2018

It is with much gratitude and respect that the Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018 Annual Report be dedicated to David Gilchrist in recognition of his many years of leadership and contributions to the Canton community.



David Gilchrist devoted countless hours to the Town of Canton while serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals, a member of the Building Committee for the new high school and volunteered at the Canton Historical Museum. Additionally, Dave served on the Town Charter Revision Commission and successfully completed ten years on the Board of Selectman. He provided sound experience and judgment while serving the community. He devoted his time, energy and talents to the Town of Canton, serving with integrity and dignity and his volunteerism serves as a positive example to all who serve the public.

His knowledge, expertise, leadership and his positive charisma is certainly missed and honored by the Town of Canton and the community as a whole. A close friend stated that “it was apparent to anyone who knew him, that Dave was a man of principle, high ethical standards and fiscally conservative. He was a part of the adoption of the Town’s first Ethics Policy and helped to establish a Board of Ethics. Dave helped pass Senior Tax Relief, increase funding the Town’s road maintenance program and streamlined our government while reducing the annual increases in the selectmen’s budget.”

We are most grateful for the many contributions David made during his tenure on the Board of Selectman from 2005-2015 and profoundly appreciate his public service. This dedication is made with deepest respect and gratitude for David Gilchrist’s years of diverse service, which has benefitted Canton in countless ways.

**Town of Canton Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2017-2018**

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**TOWN MEETING
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LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, January 10, 2018

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1. Shall the Town of Canton appropriate \$400,000 from the undesignated fund balance for the purpose of purchasing the North Canton Fire Station located at 540 Cherry Brook Road?

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 2nd day of January, 2018

Board of Selectmen
Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

RETURN OF NOTICE

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Seconded by Kenneth Humphrey

Discussion:

Chief Administrative Officer Robert Skinner discussed the property/land and building which consists of 5280 square feet, 4 fire engine bays, a kitchen, 2 bathrooms, 2 offices, a training room, an unfinished basement, and 7 acres with a picnic/pavilion area along the Cherry Brook. It abuts the Canon open space property that the Town already owns and would provide some access to the open space. In 2015 the property was appraised at \$1,090,000. It is owned by the North Canton Fire Association who has a mortgage on the property with a payoff of \$518,394. Because it is used by the Town as one of our three fire stations, general operating costs are paid by the Town of Canton while the fire association pays the mortgage and landscaping. The cell tower that is located on the property has a 65 year lease. All the lease payments were accepted by the Fire Association in advance. The Town only gets property taxes on the tower. The terms with the Association are as follows:

- the Town will pay off the mortgage
- the Association will give the Town an additional \$125,000
- the Association will have access to the offices in the station for a period of seven years or upon termination of the Association; whichever comes first
- the Association can only spend their remaining funds for the benefit of the Canton schools or Town government or civic organizations
- any remaining funds of the Association upon the termination of the Association would be turned over to the Town

The town has determined through a fiscal analysis that the best way to move forward with the property was to pay off the mortgage and own it outright. Planning and Zoning has given the sale of the property to the Town a positive referral. The net cost to the Town would be \$393,394.

Comments/Questions:

Bill Arnone-20 shingle Mill Drive
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There being no further comments or questions, the Moderator asked for a voice vote
The motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

Harriet Boyko made a motion to adjourn.
Warren Humphrey seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:11pm

Linda Smith, Town Clerk
Received for record 1/11/18

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Linda Smith, Town Clerk
Received for record 1/11/18

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Canton and those qualified taxpayers lawfully entitled to vote in Canton Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes that the Annual Town Meeting will be commenced on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium, 4 Market Street, Collinsville, Connecticut, to:

HOLD A DISCUSSION on the findings and recommendations of the recently completed Parks & Recreation Master Plan for the Town of Canton's recreational facilities.

In accordance with the Town Charter, no binding votes will be taken.

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 5th day of January, 2018

Board of Selectmen
Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

RETURN OF NOTICE

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Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, January 17, 2018

The Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Wednesday, January 17, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall Auditorium, 4 Market Street, Collinsville, CT. David Leff, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

Mr. Leff reminded everyone that there would be no binding votes taken at the meeting.

The meeting began with a dedication of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Report to former First Selectman Mary Eichhorn Fletcher. Current First Selectman Leslee B. Hill made the dedication. Mary served as First Selectman before the Town had a town administrator, served on the Board of Finance, and in a number of other capacities including the League of Women Voters, the Roaring Brook Nature Center Auxiliary, Canton Historical Society, Canton Creative Arts Council, Canton Library Board, Farmington River Wild and Scenic Study, and Democratic Town Committee. She saw us through some difficult times with regards to budgets that went to referendum and decisions/discussion with regard to the transfer station and golf course.

Mr. Leff then introduced the 3rd edition of the Collinsville Walking Tour brochure. It was first put out in 1995 and then again in 2005 for the 2006 bicentennial celebration. The 3rd edition has color photographs, a more logical flow with maps, and some additional locations. The first iteration of the brochure, as well as the driving tour, was done online and can be found at www.townofcantonct.org/walkingtour and www.townofcantonct.org/drivingtour. This brochure was a real community effort. It is good for the community; it causes visitors to linger and lends business to the merchants in town.

Courtney Hewett, Acting Parks and Recreation Director, and Brian Miller, Parks and Recreation Commission Member, were introduced. They gave an overview of the Master Plan for the Town of Canton's recreation facilities. They identified it as a building block and a compass for the Commission and Department to help move forward in the future. The full version of the Master Plan is available on their website at www.cantonrec.org and will be presented to the Board of Selectmen on February 21, 2018. Their power point presentation follows these minutes.

Comments and discussion:

Bill Volovski – 47 Gildersleeve Ave

Bob Barnes – 97A Dyer Ave

Warren Humphrey – 96 Barbourtown Road

John Shand – 43 Dartmouth Drive

Fred Fletcher – 157 Main Street

Bob Celmer – 23 Queens Peak

There being no further discussion, Jim Keane made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Bob Bessell.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

Linda Smith, Town Clerk

Received for record 01/18/18

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, January 24, 2018

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1. Shall the Town of Canton approve the conveyance of Town owned property known as 4 Westwood Drive, 6 Westwood Drive and 7 Westwood Drive to the Canton Land Conservation Trust and accept the conveyance to the Town of property known as 79 Commerce Drive from the Canton Land Conservation Trust, for the purposes of creating a dog park at 79 Commerce Drive?

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 12th day of January, 2018

Board of Selectmen
Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

RETURN OF NOTICE

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I FURTHER CERTIFY that on January 18, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was published in the Valley Press, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on January 12, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was posted on the Town's website, and all other places designated by Charter.

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Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, January 24, 2018

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Wednesday, January 24, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Public Library and Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Collinsville, CT. David Leff, Moderator,

called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. Town Clerk Linda Smith read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

The meeting was moved from Room F to the Multi-Purpose Room due to the size of the crowd.

Beth Kandryawatz moved that the meeting consider and take action on the following question:

Shall the Town of Canton approve the conveyance of Town owned property known as 4 Westwood Drive, 6 Westwood Drive and 7 Westwood Drive to the Canton Land Conservation Trust and accept the conveyance to the Town of property known as 79 Commerce Drive from the Canton Land Conservation Trust, for the purposes of creating a dog park at 79 Commerce Drive?

Seconded by Lorinda Pane.

Comments/Questions:

1. Chris Eckert – 22 Camille Lane
2. Gail Deutsch – 2 Frey Road
3. Eric Jackson – 137 Main Street
4. Leah Schmalz – 23 Freedom Drive
5. Tom Noonan – 53 Doyle Road
6. Stephen Philbrick – 17 Noja Trail
7. Natalie Travers – 17 Gracey Road
8. Jay Weintraub – 3 Uplands Drive

There being no further comments or discussion, the Moderator called for a voice vote.

The motion passed with a voice vote.

Randale Nunley made a motion to adjourn which was seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Linda Smith, Town Clerk
Received for record 01/25/18

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Canton and those qualified taxpayers lawfully entitled to vote in Canton Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes that a Special Town Meeting will be commenced on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 7:00 PM in Room F located at the Canton Public Library & Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, Connecticut, to consider and take action on the following question:

1. Shall the Town of Canton approve the transfer of \$50,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to a new Capital Improvement Plan account entitled Police Department Technology Improvements for the purpose of funding Police radios and in-car computers?

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 1st day of March, 2018.

Board of Selectmen
Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

RETURN OF NOTICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on March 1, 2018, a copy of the foregoing warning and notice was left with Linda Smith, Town Clerk.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on March 8, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was published in the Valley Press, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

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Leslee B. Hill
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TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, March 14, 2018

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Leslee Hill moved that the meeting consider and take action on the following question:

1. Shall the Town of Canton approve the transfer of \$50,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to a new Capital Improvement Plan account entitled Police Department Technology Improvements for the purpose of funding Police radios and in-car computers?

Seconded by Randale Nunley.

Chief Christopher Arciero explained that new portable radios were needed for the department. Their current radios are 15 years old and have performance issues despite every effort to provide maintenance and testing by the vendor. Officer communications to Dispatch from inside buildings throughout town are needed and are important to the safety of the community and the officers. We are looking to purchase 15 Motorola portable radios at a cost of \$33,000.

(There was no discussion regarding the in-car computers.)

There were no public comments/questions.

The motion vote was passed unanimously by a voice vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

Linda Smith, Town Clerk
 Received for record 3/15/18

Legal Notice
 Town of Canton, Connecticut Annual Budget Meeting
 Monday, May 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm
 Canton Middle/High School – Auditorium

The annual town budget meeting of all electors and those qualified to vote in Town Meetings in the Town of Canton will be held on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Canton Middle/High School, 76 Simonds Avenue, for the purpose of discussing and voting upon the Board of Finance’s recommended budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The Charter requires 150 voters be present for a quorum and if not it will automatically go to a referendum. If petitioned to referendum with 150 signatures a referendum must be held. A referendum will cost the taxpayers approximately \$3,500.

“SHALL THE BOARD OF FINANCE’S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,907,285 BE APPROVED?”

BUDGET SUMMARY	Audited	Revised	Proposed
	Actual	Budget	Budget
REVENUES	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18	FY 2018/19
Property Taxes	\$33,112,181	\$34,009,287	\$34,426,106
Licenses, Permits & Fees	281,676	346,400	293,600
Intergovernmental Revenue	3,996,294	2,520,026	3,245,460
Local Department Revenue	447,806	424,774	445,119
Investment Income	156,803	142,500	186,000
Use of Undesignated Fund Balance	-	443,455	200,000
Other Financing Sources	-	325,000	111,000
Total - General Fund Revenues	\$37,994,759	\$38,211,442	\$38,907,285

EXPENDITURES

Board of Selectmen	\$10,322,371	\$10,878,208	\$10,758,759
Board of Education	25,461,042	25,304,546	25,934,233
Board of Finance	2,024,851	2,028,689	2,214,293
Total - General Fund Expenditures	\$37,808,265	\$38,211,442	\$38,907,285

Brian First
Chairman, Board of Finance

RETURN OF NOTICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 25, 2018, a copy of the foregoing warning and notice was left with Linda Smith, Town Clerk.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on May 3, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was published in The Valley Press, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on April 25, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was posted on the Town's website, and all other places designated by Charter.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all of the above acts were done at least five days before the holding of said meeting on May 14, 2018.

Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING
Monday, May 14, 2018

The Annual Town Budget Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Monday, May 14, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Middle/High School Auditorium, 76 Simonds Ave, Canton, CT.

David Leff, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. The full reading of the call was waived with no objection from the audience. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the abridged call of the meeting and the return of notice.

A quorum of at least 150 persons was met and the following motion was made by Brian First and seconded by Mary Tomolonius:

“SHALL THE BOARD OF FINANCE’S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,907,285 BE APPROVED?”

Brian First, Chairman of the Board of Finance, summarized the budget mailer that was mailed to every household and is attached to these minutes as well as a more detailed packet that is also attached to these minutes. Mr. First's comments included:

- There is a great deal of uncertainty at the state level regarding the funding we receive in Canton
- It is a difficult climate in which to set a budget when you don't know what grants and reimbursements for expenses we will get despite our obligation to cover expenses
- The BOF is very conservative with the assumptions they make and frequently operate with less than perfect information
- There have been some unexpected increases in required expenditures regarding special education spending for students and healthcare expenses for Town and school employees. These are not discretionary.
- We've got limited grand list growth. Our taxable base has not been going up in recent years and has been relatively stable.
- We try to keep a manageable tax burden while delivering the best quality services to all of our residents.
- The BOF worked collaboratively with the BOS and BOE to come up with the best possible government and educational services at a cost that the Canton residents can afford.
- The budget that is presented this evening was unanimously approved by the BOF.
- Mr. First explained the budget process that spans over many months. At each of the meetings there is an opportunity for public comment. The BOF also talks to residents, receives emails and appreciates all the opinions from various sources.
- The BOS requested no major new initiatives. Their increases were driven by combining the Finance Departments of the Town and BOE. We were in search of long term efficiencies and that resulted in the BOS shifting staff members from BOE. There were also increased health care costs that created increases in their budget.
- The BOE increases were driven by special education and healthcare costs.
- The BOF increases were driven by the bonding the Town is obligated to, projects that have been previously approved by the voters.
- The BOF Public Hearing was held in March at which time 6 tax payers spoke in favor of the BOE budget as presented. Expenses were then reviewed and changes were made based on assumptions from State grants/reimbursements. Both the BOS and BOE budgets were reduced resulting in:
 - BOS increase of 3.11%
 - BOE increase of 2.49%
 - 3.02% overall expenditure increase
 - Overall increase was offset by \$111K from recent bonding premium and \$200K from undesignated fund balance
 - Final result of offset is that the mil rate would increase from 30.49 to 30.70...representing an increase of .68%
 - Increase for the average Canton homeowner would be \$49 annually

Leslee Hill, First Selectman, spoke on behalf of the Board of Selectmen budget. The BOS budget increase is 3.1%. In our ongoing effort to streamline services and find greater efficiencies over the course of the last year, the BOS and BOE have worked to combine finance departments. By doing that we were able to save in the first year \$60,329. The impact however to the BOS budget was \$174K. Of the \$306K increase to the BOS budget, \$174K was from the shift of employees from BOE to BOS. The second significant driver for the increase is the healthcare benefits. We have hired a new benefits consultant this year and we are hoping to see some savings

with this. Other than maintaining our core services, retaining our personnel and maintaining our infrastructure, the only small increase in town services is a 4 hour a week increase to the Senior Center coordinator resulting in a \$4464 for the year. There was a small reduction of hours in the Land Use office and the Library budget was reduced by \$25K.

Julie Ausere, Chairman of the BOE, proposed a budget increase of 2.49%. The BOE's job is to develop a budget that is fiscally responsible and supports the education that is best for the students. Important themes we wish to convey are:

- Canton has a high expectation for its schools
- The budget supports the BOE goals and 5'Cs' (Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Creativity, Communication and Compassionate Citizenship)
- This budget funds all contractual obligations, special needs instruction and mandated professional development
- This budget will continue our commitment to a high quality education for our students
- We will maintain a comprehensive high school and keep class size policy in place (with a few exceptions that will exceed that policy by a student or two)

Our expenses include the following reductions:

- 3.5 FTE in district-wide certified staff
- 3.0 FTE in non-certified staff
- FTE of custodial staff
- 0.5 FTE reduction in Director of Facilities role
- Reduction of technology expenses
- Reduction in food service management costs
- Reduction in repairs and maintenance
- Reduction in professional development and curriculum writing costs
- Reduction in other operating costs TBD

Our remaining 2.49% increase is due to increased healthcare costs and special education needs. We have 9 students who are out-placed outside of the district for their educational needs. This number has decreased over the years yet remains a high educational cost with tuition and transportation running about \$130K-\$140K per student. We must comply with the contractual obligations surrounding special education.

Questions and comments from the public:
Warren Humprey-96 Barbourtown Road
Norm Adams-18 Case Street

There being no further comments or questions, paper/secret ballot voting commenced.

The motion PASSED with the following vote results:

Yes 164
No 6

There being no further business the motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Linda Smith, Town Clerk
Received for record 5/15/18

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, June 13, 2018

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Canton and those qualified taxpayers lawfully entitled to vote in Canton Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes that a Special Town Meeting will be commenced on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7:00 PM in Room F located at the Canton Public Library & Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, Connecticut, to consider and take action on the following questions:

1. Shall the Town of Canton approve the transfer of an amount up to \$456,967 from the undesignated fund balance to the Board of Education FY2017-2018 operating budget for the purpose of funding unanticipated Special Education costs and related services?
2. Shall the Town of Canton approve submitting a Neighborhood Assistance Act grant application in the amount of \$150,000 to the Department of Revenue Services on behalf of the ARC of the Farmington Valley for the purpose of funding the design and development of energy efficient facilities on Commerce Drive in Canton?
3. Shall the Town of Canton approve submitting a Neighborhood Assistance Act grant application in the amount of \$100,000 on behalf of SpiritHorse Therapeutic Riding Center of Canton for the purposes of supporting equine therapy programs for low income persons?

Copies of the Neighborhood Assistance Act applications can be located on line at www.townofcantonct.org and in the office of the Town Clerk and at the Canton Public Library.

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 30th day of May, 2018

Board of Selectmen
Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

RETURN OF NOTICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on May 30, 2018, a copy of the foregoing warning and notice was left with Linda Smith, Town Clerk.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on June 7, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was published in the Valley Press, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on May 30, 2018, a copy of said warning and notice was posted on the Town's website, and all other places designated by Charter.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all of the above acts were done at least five days before the holding of said meeting on June 13, 2018.

Leslee B. Hill
First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, June 13, 2018

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Wednesday, June 13, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Public Library and Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Collinsville, CT. David Leff, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

2. Leslee Hill moved that the meeting consider and take action on the following question:
 - a. Shall the Town of Canton approve the transfer of an amount up to \$456,967 from the undesignated fund balance to the Board of Education FY2017-2018 operating budget for the purpose of funding unanticipated Special Education costs and related services?
 - b. Seconded by Karen Berry.

Discussion:

Superintendent of Schools, Kevin Case, explained that the funds are being requested to fund a deficit in this current year fiscal year for the Board of Education. It is due to line items related to special education and related services for students who have specialized needs. When the budget was originally developed it was done so based on the needs of the students at that time. Since the budget was approved, the unanticipated needs of 13 Canton students changed. We had a few students move into town and some current students whose needs changed resulting in over a \$600,000 deficit. Mr. Case implemented a spending freeze as soon as this deficit was realized and has been approving only truly necessary expenses to keep the school system running. Because of this spending freeze, the BOE is able to cover a portion of the deficit with unexpended, budgeted funds from FY 2017-18, up to \$150,000. The BOE is hoping they won't need all of the funds identified in the question.

Comments:

1. Warren Humphrey – 96 Barbourtown Road
2. Pete Carlson – 33 Hoffmann Road
3. Dick Barlow – 321 Cherry Brook Road
4. Jan Graves – 76 High Valley Drive
5. Jimmy Taylor – 31 Pond View Drive

The motion was unanimously passed with a voice vote.

3. Leslee Hill moved that the meeting consider and take action on the following question:
 - a. Shall the Town of Canton approve submitting a Neighborhood Assistance Act grant application in the amount of \$150,000 to the Department of Revenue Services on behalf of the ARC of the Farmington Valley for the purpose of funding the design and development of energy efficient facilities on Commerce Drive in Canton?

- b. Seconded by Karen Berry

Discussion:

Chief Administrative Officer, Robert Skinner, explained that the purpose of the motion is to approve a grant application to the Department of Revenue Services. The NAA allows non-profits to make application to DRS for specific projects. If their projects are approved, corporations can donate to those projects and get a credit on their taxes. These projects have to be approved through certain procedures. It needs to be recognized by the Board of Selectmen, be approved at a town meeting, and be approved by DRS before donations can be made. There are no local funds involved in these projects. The Town of Canton only has to approve the project. FAVARH is applying for this grant to help them with energy efficient needs as they construct two buildings/additions on Commerce Drive.

Comments:

1. Al Bombassi – 58 Bart Drive
2. Bill McDonough, Development Associate for FAVARH

The motion was unanimously passed with a voice vote.

4. Leslee Hill moved that the meeting consider and take action on the following question:
 - a. Shall the Town of Canton approve submitting a Neighborhood Assistance Act grant application in the amount of \$100,000 on behalf of SpiritHorse Therapeutic Riding Center of Canton for the purposes of supporting equine therapy programs for low income persons?
 - b. Seconded by Cheryl Cleaves

Discussion:

Chief Administrative Officer, Robert Skinner, explained that this is the same NAA program with the DRS. The SpiritHorse Therapeutic Riding Center of Canton is making this application. They have a long list of applicants that need financial assistance and that are referred to them by the Juvenile Review Board for this program/therapy. They are looking for funding to provide additional services to these riders.

Comments:

1. Cheryl Cleaves – 172 Morgan Road
2. Mark Jurras – 10 Olson Road
3. Al Bombassi – 58 Bart Drive

The motion was unanimously passed with a voice vote.

There being no further business before this meeting, a motion was made by Leslee Hill, seconded by Tom Sevigny, to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Linda Smith, Town Clerk

Received for record 6/14/18



PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

**TOWN OF CANTON
PRINCIPAL TOWN OFFICIALS
June 30, 2018**

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Leslee Hill, First Selectman

William Canny
William Volovski

Elizabeth Kandrysawtz
Thomas Sevigny

BOARD OF FINANCE

Brian D. First, Chairman

Richard Eickenhorst
Kenneth S. Humphrey
Mary B. Tomolonius

Arnold Goldman
David Markowitz

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Julie Ausere, Chairman

Peg Berry
David Briggs
Ryan O'Donnell
Joseph Scheideler

Maria Bradley
Ana Cavanaugh
Jack Powell
Helen Treacy

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Chief Administrative Officer
Chief of Police/Director of Emergency Management
Finance Officer/Treasurer
Tax Collector
Assessor
Town Clerk
Project Administrator
Director of Planning and Community Development
Director of Public Works
Library Director
Parks and Recreation Director
Building Official
Fire Marshal
Senior/Social Services Director

Robert Skinner
Christopher Arciero
Phillip Penn
Christine Silansky
Steven Kosofsky
Linda Smith
George Wallace
Neil Pade
Robert Martin
Sarah McCusker
Courtney Hewett
Jerry Waters
Timothy Tharau
Claire Cote

EDUCATION

Superintendent of Schools
Assistant to the Superintendent for Financial Affairs

Kevin D. Case
Susan Russo

Town of Canton Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2017-2018



AUDITOR'S REPORT

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)
	Original	Final		
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Board of Selectmen	\$ 129,306	\$ 44,564	\$ 41,548	\$ (3,016)
Chief Administrator	246,918	252,645	239,034	(13,611)
Election	28,300	28,641	28,641	-
Probate court	3,444	4,403	4,403	-
Town counsel	60,000	60,000	55,800	(4,200)
Town clerk	130,535	132,464	129,546	(2,918)
Information technologies	140,214	140,622	139,084	(1,538)
Total general government	<u>738,717</u>	<u>663,339</u>	<u>638,056</u>	<u>(25,283)</u>
FINANCE				
Board of Finance	65,045	65,045	60,881	(4,164)
Finance	229,302	242,282	242,281	(1)
Assessor	88,585	78,345	78,345	-
Tax collector	94,039	96,226	92,925	(3,301)
Total finance	<u>476,971</u>	<u>481,898</u>	<u>474,432</u>	<u>(7,466)</u>
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police	1,994,492	2,090,229	2,081,273	(8,956)
Service incentive	26,310	26,310	26,310	-
Fire services	277,510	263,576	263,576	-
Fire marshal	69,647	70,033	68,917	(1,116)
Emergency services	206,640	155,230	155,229	(1)
Total public safety	<u>2,574,599</u>	<u>2,605,378</u>	<u>2,595,305</u>	<u>(10,073)</u>
PUBLIC WORKS				
Town hall	285,979	306,314	306,313	(1)
Park department	115,370	117,562	117,562	-
General highway	1,121,645	1,116,812	1,116,812	-
Town garage	33,430	33,430	31,579	(1,851)
Grange	-	152	152	-
Utilities	225,312	230,064	230,064	-
Community center	88,440	111,283	111,283	-
Total public works	<u>1,870,176</u>	<u>1,915,617</u>	<u>1,913,765</u>	<u>(1,852)</u>

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TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (UNAUDITED) (Concluded)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
HUMAN SERVICES				
Community agencies	\$ 89,918	\$ 89,918	\$ 85,694	\$ (4,224)
Senior/Social services	186,030	187,810	184,135	(3,675)
Park and recreation	213,026	193,602	193,602	-
Library	613,752	599,587	599,586	(1)
Total human services	<u>1,102,726</u>	<u>1,070,917</u>	<u>1,063,017</u>	<u>(7,900)</u>
INSURANCE	<u>280,604</u>	<u>282,791</u>	<u>282,791</u>	<u>-</u>
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT				
Building official	81,873	83,834	83,833	(1)
Town planner	267,084	269,498	260,350	(9,148)
Total planning and development	<u>348,957</u>	<u>353,332</u>	<u>344,183</u>	<u>(9,149)</u>
FRINGE BENEFITS	<u>2,069,082</u>	<u>2,088,560</u>	<u>2,088,560</u>	<u>-</u>
EDUCATION	<u>25,304,545</u>	<u>25,761,512</u>	<u>25,761,512</u>	<u>-</u>
DEBT SERVICE				
Principal	1,450,000	1,450,000	1,450,000	-
Interest	513,644	513,644	506,364	(7,280)
Total debt service	<u>1,963,644</u>	<u>1,963,644</u>	<u>1,956,364</u>	<u>(7,280)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>36,730,021</u>	<u>37,186,988</u>	<u>37,117,985</u>	<u>(69,003)</u>
OTHER FINANCING USES				
Transfers out:				
Emergency Services Fund	134,569	134,569	134,569	-
Youth Services Bureau	11,300	11,300	11,300	-
Capital and Nonrecurring Fund	892,097	1,335,552	1,335,552	-
Total other financing uses	<u>1,037,966</u>	<u>1,481,421</u>	<u>1,481,421</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 37,767,987</u>	<u>\$ 38,668,409</u>	<u>\$ 38,599,406</u>	<u>\$ (69,003)</u>

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TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)
	Original	Final		
PROPERTY TAXES				
Current year tax collections	\$ 33,706,287	\$ 33,706,287	\$ 33,991,366	\$ 285,079
Prior year tax collections	233,000	233,000	132,440	(100,560)
Tax interest and liens	70,000	70,000	110,240	40,240
Total property taxes	<u>34,009,287</u>	<u>34,009,287</u>	<u>34,234,046</u>	<u>224,759</u>
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES				
Town aid road	261,069	261,069	261,239	170
Education cost-sharing	1,506,051	1,506,051	2,955,069	1,449,018
Transportation	37,005	37,005	-	(37,005)
Special education - excess cost	300,000	300,000	-	(300,000)
Municipal revenue sharing	303,842	303,842.00	-	(303,842)
Mashantucket Pequot grant	20,237	20,237	20,081	(156)
Municipal stabilization grant	-	-	56,389	56,389
State PILOT - elderly supplement	59,000	59,000	-	(59,000)
State PILOT - disabled	750	750	885	135
State PILOT - veterans	2,500	2,500	2,561	61
State PILOT - State property	19,572	19,572	-	(19,572)
State PILOT - manufacturing	-	-	7,994	7,994
Housing Authority	10,000	10,000	13,068	3,068
Total intergovernmental revenues	<u>2,520,026</u>	<u>2,520,026</u>	<u>3,317,286</u>	<u>797,260</u>
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Telecom tax	27,000	27,000	21,057	(5,943)
BOE tuition fees	145,000	145,000	174,838	29,838
Hunting and fishing licenses	100	100	124	24
Town clerk miscellaneous permits and licenses	10,000	10,000	9,914	(86)
Dog licenses	1,300	1,300	1,175	(125)
Fire Marshall permits and fire reports	600	600	515	(85)
Building licenses and permits	150,000	150,000	182,526	32,526
Land use licenses and permits	1,400	1,400	740	(660)
Zoning license & fees	2,500	2,500	2,550	50
Zoning applications	5,500	5,500	17,361	11,861
Aquifer Protection applications	400	400	4,820	4,420
Planning applications	800	800	225	(575)
ZBA appeal fee	300	300	1,050	750
Inland wetlands	1,500	1,500	4,512	3,012
Newsletter advertising	1,350	1,350	975	(375)
BOE miscellaneous revenue	-	-	14,644	14,644
Town clerk conveyance tax	220,000	220,000	211,672	(8,328)
Tax and town clerk printing services	10,000	10,000	12,202	2,202
Assessor printing and duplicating services	450	450	-	(450)
Tax CPACE Admin Fee	500	500	500	-
Bad check fees	150	150	400	250

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TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (UNAUDITED) (Concluded)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)
	Original	Final		
CHARGES FOR SERVICES (Continued)				
Police printing and duplicating services	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ 914	\$ 14
Private duty - administration	70,000	70,000	135,838	65,838
Police gun permits	5,000	5,000	2,030	(2,970)
Police raffle tickets	100	100	50	(50)
Alarm registration fees	100	100	250	150
Vendor permits	200	200	960	760
Traffic fines	2,000	2,000	5,510	3,510
Police miscellaneous	1,700	1,700	1,470	(230)
Dog license/shelter fee	11,280	11,280	9,964	(1,316)
Dog adoption fee	15	15	10.00	(5)
Insurance rebates	12,000	12,000	24,270	12,270
Rental town property	10,000	10,000	8,210	(1,790)
AT&T tower	20,700	20,700	23,184	2,484
BOS miscellaneous revenue	1,000	1,000	10,724	9,724
Dial-a-Ride tickets	3,000	3,000	2,937	(63)
Swimming pool fees	32,000	32,000	31,247	(753)
Pool daily attendance fee	9,000	9,000	8,480	(520)
Land use printing and duplicating services	125	125	480	355
Library printing and duplicating services	2,704	2,704	2,706	2
Library income	10,500	10,500	8,255	(2,245)
Total charges for services	<u>771,174</u>	<u>771,174</u>	<u>939,289</u>	<u>168,115</u>
INVESTMENT INCOME	<u>142,500</u>	<u>142,500</u>	<u>199,546</u>	<u>57,046</u>
Total revenues	<u>37,442,987</u>	<u>37,442,987</u>	<u>38,690,167</u>	<u>1,247,180</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfers in	325,000	325,000	325,000	-
Appropriations of fund balance	-	900,422	-	(900,422)
Total other financing sources	<u>325,000</u>	<u>1,225,422</u>	<u>325,000</u>	<u>(900,422)</u>
Total revenues and other other financing sources	<u>\$ 37,767,987</u>	<u>\$ 38,668,409</u>	<u>\$ 39,015,167</u>	<u>\$ 346,758</u>

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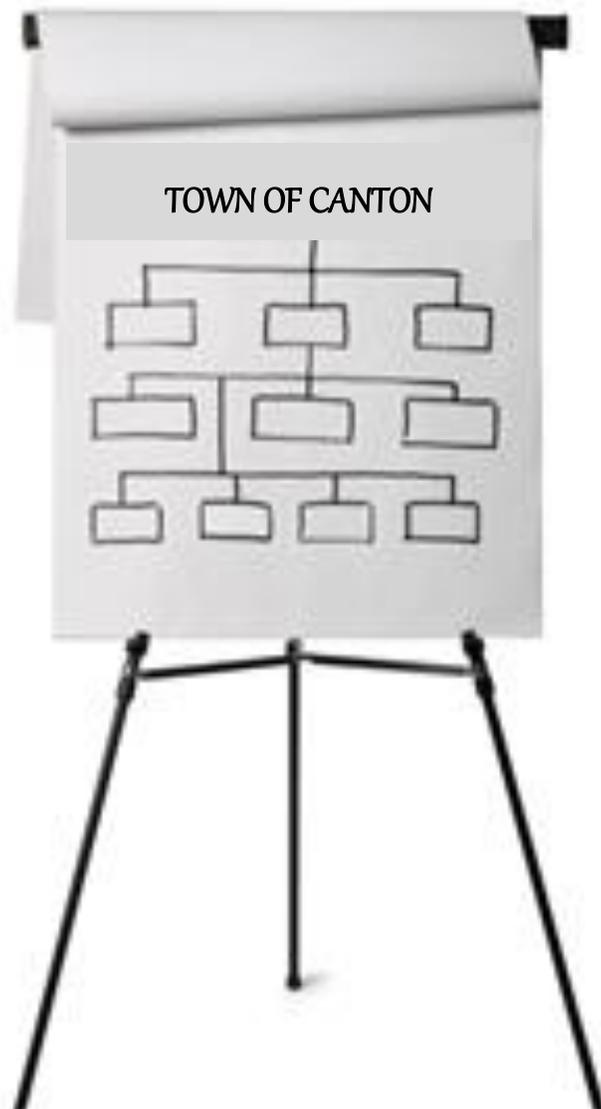
TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED, COLLECTED AND OUTSTANDING
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Grand List Year	Balance Uncollected June 30, 2017	Current Levy	Lawful Corrections		Transfers To Suspense	Balance To Be Collected	Collections			Balance Uncollected June 30, 2018
			Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Interest and Lien Fees	Total	
2001	\$ 18,634	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,634	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2002	19,644	-	-	-	-	19,644	-	-	-	19,644
2003	21,627	-	-	-	-	21,627	-	-	-	21,627
2004	21,768	-	-	-	-	21,768	-	-	-	21,768
2005	22,604	-	-	-	-	22,604	-	-	-	22,604
2006	23,393	-	-	-	-	23,393	-	-	-	23,393
2007	23,792	-	-	-	-	23,792	-	-	-	23,792
2008	29,656	-	-	-	-	29,656	-	-	-	29,656
2009	30,178	-	-	-	-	30,178	-	-	-	30,178
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2011	30,559	-	-	-	-	30,559	-	-	-	30,559
2012	31,523	-	-	-	397	31,126	-	-	-	31,126
2013	34,838	-	-	-	222	34,616	1,583	824	2,407	33,033
2014	64,963	-	448	1,171	6,939	57,301	22,512	7,067	29,579	34,789
2015	234,646	-	5,178	26,248	7,534	206,042	132,653	30,396	163,049	73,389
Total prior years	607,825	-	5,626	46,053	15,092	552,306	156,748	38,287	195,035	395,558
2016	-	34,114,455	225,102	138,623	11,901	34,189,033	33,969,161	69,594	34,038,755	219,872
Total	\$ 607,825	\$ 34,114,455	\$ 230,728	\$ 184,676	\$ 26,993	\$ 34,741,339	\$ 34,125,909	\$ 107,881	\$ 34,233,790	\$ 615,430

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(Unaudited)

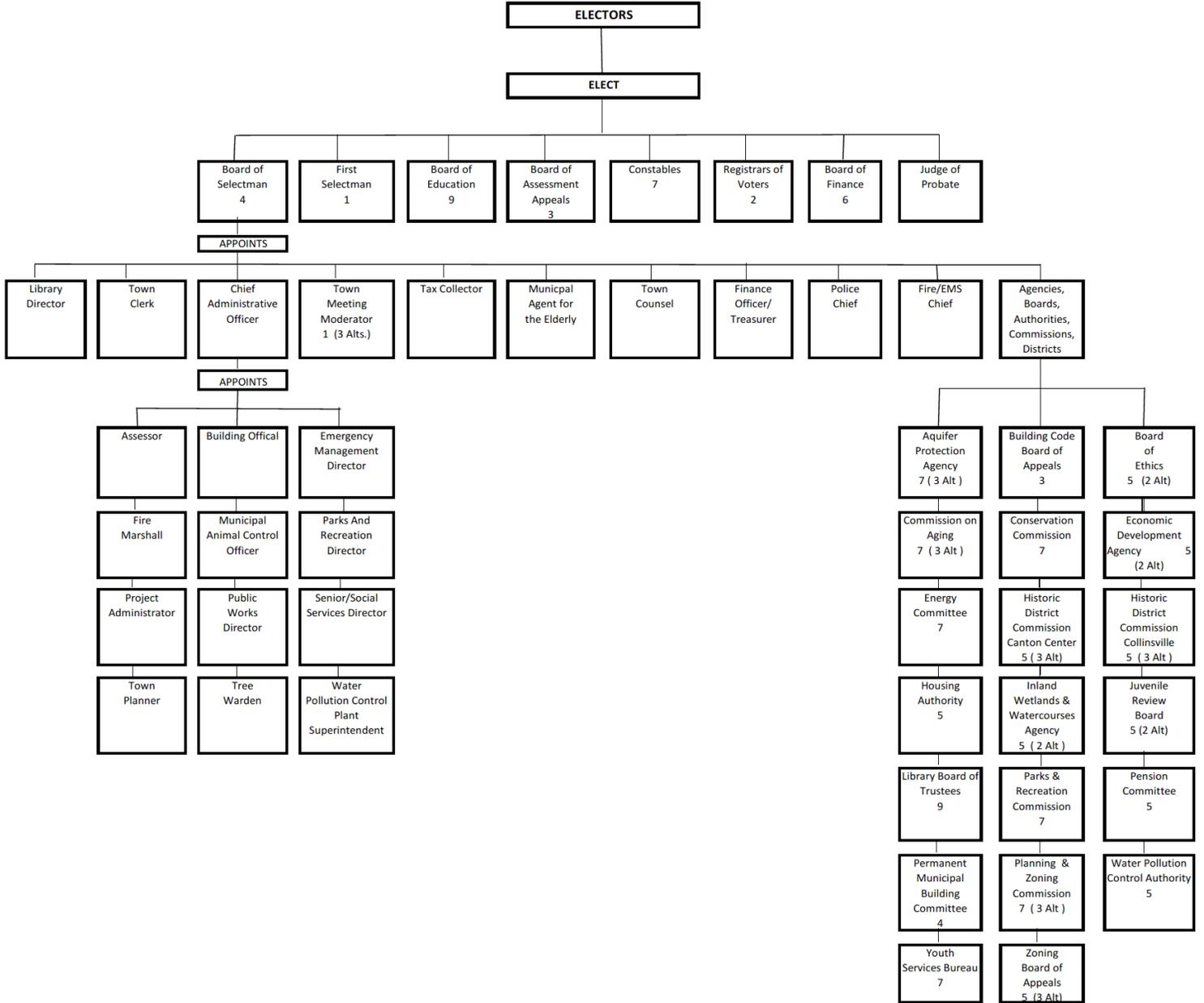
Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Taxes Levied for the Fiscal Year	Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy		Collections in Subsequent Years	Total Collections to Date	
		Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Levy
2009	\$ 28,640,303	\$ 28,315,851	98.87%	\$ 300,712	\$ 28,616,563	99.90%
2010	28,383,440	28,060,523	98.86%	291,684	28,352,207	99.89%
2011	29,069,980	28,696,728	98.72%	341,559	29,038,287	99.83%
2012	29,535,976	29,182,732	98.80%	351,917	29,534,649	99.91%
2013	29,937,828	29,614,732	98.92%	280,114	29,894,846	99.70%
2014	30,598,767	30,259,423	98.89%	273,942	30,533,365	99.57%
2015	31,314,580	30,984,208	98.94%	208,493	31,192,701	98.94%
2016	32,234,923	31,950,097	99.12%	126,710	32,076,807	99.51%
2017	33,080,496	32,790,714	99.12%	216,393	33,007,107	99.78%
2018	34,114,455	33,969,161	99.57%	-	33,969,161	99.57%

Source: Town of Canton, Office of the Tax Collector.



ORGANIZATIONAL REPORT

**TOWN OF CANTON
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



Town of Canton Annual Report Fiscal Year 2017-2018



ANNUAL REPORT

AQUIFER PROTECTION AGENCY

The Aquifer Protection Agency (“APA”) is a registration and permitting agency charged by the State of Connecticut to review, evaluate, and take action on existing and proposed regulated activities potentially having an adverse environmental impact on public drinking ground water supplies.

During fiscal year 2017-2018, the APA held four (4) regular meetings.

The APA has an Authorized Agent who reports to the Agency the status of and compliance with all permits and registrations issued under its authority and to also acts as the APA’s enforcement officer.

The APA operates with seven (7) regular members and two (2) alternates.

The APA holds regular quarterly meetings and special meetings on an as-needed basis on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:50 p.m. in the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, CT. All meetings are open to the public.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

The Assessor's Office is responsible for the preparation of the Town's annual Grand List. The Grand List is a complete listing of all properties in town, their ownership and assessed value as of October 1st each year. The overall 2017 Grand List increased by \$5,175,925 or .46%. The 2017 Grand List as of October 1, 2017 was \$1,121,892,880. This information is then used by the Board of Finance to help determine the mill rate and in preparing the July tax bills. The Town is required to revalue all real estate assessments once every five years to 70% of their fair market value. The last revaluation was in 2013, the next is in the fall of 2018.

Listed below are the three categories that make up the Grand List. The amounts reported are prior to any adjustments made by the Board of Assessment Appeals.

Real Estate Increased \$984,580,080 to \$987,728,190 or .32%. Contributing to this increase was the completion of nine new single family homes and improvements to existing real property requiring the issuance of building permits. In addition, this year, for the first time, we compared the information listed on the National Association of Realtors website with our property record cards and the discrepancies resulted in a \$404,550 assessment increase. Homes are assessed at 70% of their market value, as done in all CT municipalities.

Personal Property increased \$44,373,280 to \$46,210,350 or 4.14%. Items that make up personal property include business furniture, fixtures, office equipment, computers, leased equipment, industrial and construction equipment, utility poles, pipes, cables and conduits. Personal Property is assessed each year at 70% of its value. Additionally, a 15% increase penalty was instituted for non-filers.

Motor Vehicles increased \$87,763,595 to \$87,954,340 or .22%. Included in this figure are all motor vehicles registered and garaged in Canton on October 1st of each year. Motor Vehicles are valued using the NADA Pricing Guide unless they are registered as a Historic Vehicle.

In preparation of the Grand List, tax maps are kept current. Extensive fieldwork is completed to update our records for building changes. This office is also responsible for the administration of the veterans, blind and disabled exemption programs and the State and Town elderly tax relief program. This year a total of \$242,338.69 was granted in elderly tax relief tax relief to 129 property owners.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

As required by State law, the Board of Assessment Appeals meets in March concerning all appeals for Real Property from the Grand List of October 1, 2017 and in September to hear Motor Vehicle appeals only. Any property owner who felt the assessment of their property due to the Revaluation was inaccurate could appeal to the Board.

A total of fifteen (15) appeals were heard; (5 Real Estate, 6 Personal Property, and 4 Motor Vehicle).

The results of these appeals were:

Real Estate	1 Granted	4 Denied
Personal Property	3 Granted	3 Denied
Motor Vehicles	2 Granted	2 Denied

Final Grand List after the Board of Assessment Appeals

<u>Gross</u>	<u>Exemptions</u>	<u>Net</u>
1,072,267,973	84,551,390	987,716,583

Board of Assessment Appeals Members

David Sinish, Chairman
Joe Pelehach
Brad Parliament

BOARD OF ETHICS

During FY 2017 - 2018, all twelve regular meetings of the Board were cancelled. One special meeting was held in May to review a complaint from a town official which was considered but unanimously dismissed by the Board in that the alleged facts in the complaint did not prove the existence of probable cause of a violation of the Code of Ethics pursuant to § 4,(D) (7) of the Canton Ordinance #230.

During this reporting period the Board received one letter of recusal from a Canton official removing himself from the possibility of a conflict of interest concerning a working relationship with a candidate running for office.

The Board received notice of the resignation of regular member Lowell Humphrey. Paul Therrien who was serving as an alternate was appointed as a regular member by the Board of Selectmen. Currently, there are two alternate positions open.

The Board of Ethics meets at 7:00 PM on the third Tuesday of the month at the Canton Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue unless scheduled otherwise. The Board of Ethics meeting schedule, meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the town of Canton website: www.townofcantonct.org . The public is welcome to attend.

David R. Kubas, Chairman
Canton Board of Ethics
November 19, 2018

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Chapter 541 of the Connecticut General Statutes sets forth the need, duties, requirements and conditions for the Building Department. Chapter 541, part 1 a of the CGS also states that all towns, cities and boroughs in the State of Connecticut shall use this code as their Building Code. This department is responsible for issuing all building and associated permits. Plan review, various inspections and the issuance of Certificates of Occupancy or Completion are among the duties of the office.

The Building Official, performing the duties of the office on a part-time basis, conducted a total of 887 inspections. The Building Department will continue in its efforts to provide customer service and promote safety and general welfare in the construction environment while enforcing the building codes.

Building/ Permit Statistics Fiscal Year 2017-2018

<u>Type of Permit</u>	<u>No. of Permits</u>	<u>Value of Permits</u>
Addition/Alteration	150	\$3,023,090
Deck	4	\$42,000
Demolition	2	\$15,500
Electrical	169	\$420,394
Garage/Shed	11	\$272,845
HVAC/Woodstove	210	\$1,320,644
Commercial	22	\$2,292,150
New Residential	10	\$2,829,500
Plumbing	102	\$249,762
Pool	6	\$134,890
Roofing/Siding	84	\$1,063,590
Foundation	3	\$50,500
Total	773	\$11,714,865

Total Value of Permits and Permit Fees

<u>July - June 2017-2018</u>		<u>July - June 2016-2017</u>	
<u>Value</u>	<u>Permit Fees</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Permit Fees</u>
\$11,714,865	\$167,995	\$9,115,870	\$108,905

CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Canton Chamber of Commerce represents and supports the Canton business community for the purpose of helping to ensure the business success of its members. The Chamber is a volunteer network of local business, professional and government leadership working together to advance the economic and civic development of the business community. Pooling the skills, talents and resources of each individual to drive and support business opportunity and improvement, the Chamber is vital and growing. The Canton Chamber of Commerce was founded in 2003 an independent organization. Membership has 210 members today.

The mission of the Canton Chamber of Commerce is to *Advocate for its members and Advance their Success*. Implementation of this direction is focused on five major initiatives: Advocacy, Outreach, Education, Marketing and Membership. The Chamber actively participates and advocates for its members with government boards and commissions, updates to the Form-Based Code, tax incentives, Canton Shops & Cares, and the study of Route 44 infrastructure have all moved forward with the advocacy of the Chamber and its members.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce fulfills its mission through the commitment and efforts of its volunteer leaders--its officers, directors, committee chairs and committee members--comprised of over 50 dedicated business people and professionals who endorse its gals and strive to make it a vital organization that benefits the whole community. The Chamber builds greater awareness of each member business within its customer and client community.

Active Canton Chamber of Commerce members subscribe to the objectives and purpose of the Chamber. Individuals, firms, partnerships, associations, corporations or other entities that conduct business are eligible for regular membership. Like-minded persons and non-profit organizations that do not conduct business are eligible for associate membership.

The Canton Chamber's website, CantonChamberofCommerce.com, is updated regularly and remains Canton's most comprehensive and complete directory of local businesses, products and services. Shopping is simplified for those who want to buy locally, strengthen Canton's economic vitality, provide jobs and lessen the Town's reliance on residential taxes- thereby enhancing the quality of life of our community. Unlike static and cumbersome telephone company classified directories, the Chamber website is a dynamic invaluable resource, constantly being updated to include current events and information, new Chamber members and changes to member's listings.

Visit the Chamber at CantonChamberofCommerce.com, call the Executive Director or Office Manager at (860) 693-0405, or visit the Chamber's office in the Quattro Building at 326 Albany Turnpike.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Canton Conservation Commission is authorized under CGS 7-1319 and Chapter 149 Of the Town of Canton code. The primary functions of the Conservation Commission are to monitor and make recommendations regarding the development, conservation, supervision and regulation of natural resources including water resources in the Town of Canton. The Commission conducts research into the utilization of land areas of the municipality, prepares maps and publications, inventories natural resources and keeps an index of all open space areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such areas. From time to time the Conservation Commission makes recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency, and other municipal agencies regarding plans and programs for the development, protection, and other use of such areas, as well as on proposed land use changes land protection plans, and management of municipally-owned open spaces or natural areas.

The Conservation Commission takes the lead role for the community in identifying, evaluating, and recommending open space lands for acquisition. In 2017-2018, the Commission devoted the majority of its time in preparation of a new natural resources inventory for the town. It is anticipated that this document, complete with maps, will be ready for publication in early 2019. The Commission also held a second town-wide natural resources photography contest with winners announced in an edition of the Canton Life publication. Winning entries will also appear in the natural resources inventory publication. The Commission continues to make progress on initiatives recognized in Canton's Plan of Conservation and Development, and provided input to other Town commissions with regard to wetlands and other development-related issues. The Commission also sponsored an educational forum for Town residents in conjunction with the Farmington River Watershed Association's "RiverSmart" program.

The Conservation Commission met eleven (11) times in 2017-2018. The Commission currently consists of six (6) members with one vacancy. The Commission meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 PM in the Canton Library/Community Center building at 40 Dyer Avenue.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

The Canton Economic Development Agency (EDA) worked diligently to remove obstacles to responsible development in town. To that end, the EDA completed:

- A suite of marketing materials designed to help attract businesses to town and to entice businesses currently in town to expand. These materials were honored at a recent CT Visit symposium as an example of what towns can do to promote themselves.
- A study of utility access for businesses located on Route 44 west of Canton Village and east of Dyer Avenue. This report answered fundamental questions about the cost/benefit relationship of utility expansion. A recommendation that ties business benefit to net increases town tax revenues was accepted by the Board of Selectmen this year.
- A study of the impact of sewer connection fees on development in town which quantified the tax revenues in jeopardy because of significantly higher than average connection fees. The Board of Selectmen have entered negotiations with the WPCA to bring these fees into line with surrounding towns.

The EDA conducted planning sessions in preparation for its second three year plan this year. The resulting plan, due in the first January 2019 will enable the town to foster and support economic development within its borders, provide educational resources to local businesses, and enhance the town's character at the same time as its economic vitality.

The EDA is an all-volunteer agency appointed by the Board of Selectmen with a mission to:

- Conduct research into the economic conditions and trends of the town;
- Make recommendations to appropriate officials and agencies of the town regarding actions to improve economic conditions and development; and,
- Seek to coordinate the activities of and cooperate with unofficial bodies organized to promote such economic development.

The EDA is comprised of five regular members and two alternate members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Library/Community Center. Members of the local business community and the general public are welcome to attend. The EDA held twelve meetings during this fiscal year.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department administers the Town's financial activities, including accounting, accounts payable, payroll, bank deposits and pensions and other employee benefit funds. Detailed audited financial statements are published annually in the Town's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available on the Town's website in December of each year. The Finance Officer & Treasurer prepares monthly reports for the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance on revenues and expenditures, identifying and analyzing variances to budget as they arise. In addition, the Finance Officer works with the Chief Administrative Officer to develop the Town's annual operating and capital expenditure budgets.

The Finance Department handles the daily Treasury operations, overseeing cash deposits and outgoing payments, including debt obligations, accounts payable and payroll. In 2017-18 the Department issued 6,041 separate expenditures, processed 1,312 deposits and recorded 2,673 journal entries and payroll, benefit and tax records for 237 employees. During the latter half of the fiscal year, a significant portion of time was dedicated to preparing to merge the accounts payable and payroll staff from the Board of Education into the Town's Finance Department. The integration, which happened formally on July 1, 2018, has been a successful one.

We were pleased to learn that the Town of Canton received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for fiscal year 2016-17 from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for the 18th consecutive year.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR FISCAL 2017-18

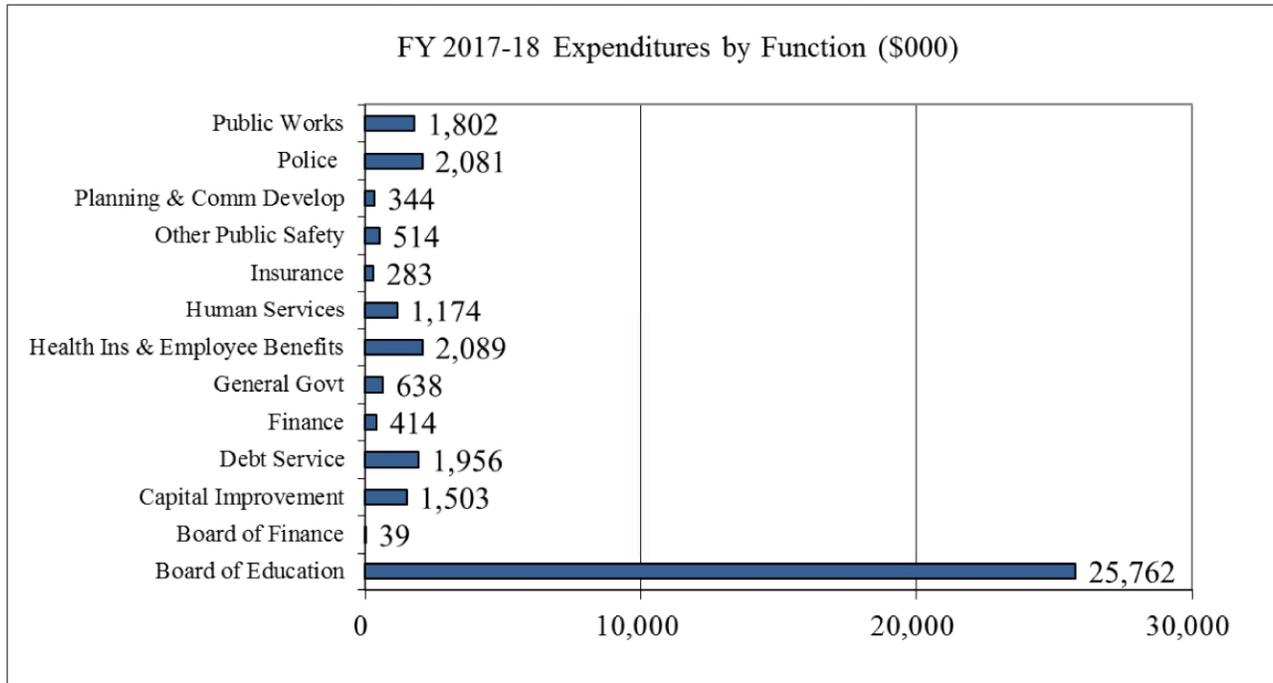
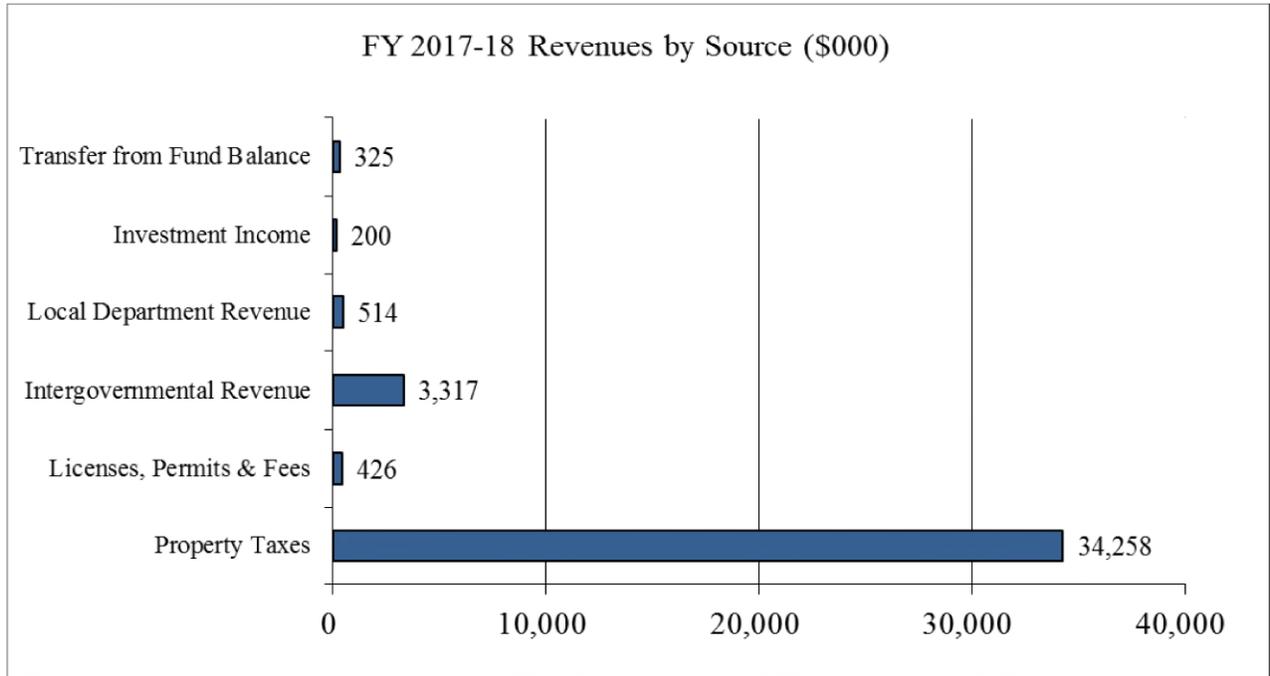
- The Town's adopted General Fund budget for 2017-18 totaled \$37,767,987.
- The Town's actual expenditures were \$38,602,566 and actual revenues totaled \$39,039,242; expenditures included three Special Appropriations approved at Town Meeting.
- The mil rate was 30.49.
- The Town maintained a credit rating of AAA from Standard & Poor's.
- The Town's fund balance at year-end was approximately \$6.5 million.

In October, 2017, the Town issued \$3.825 million of general obligation bonds to finance the construction of the new Highway Department garage on River Road. The bonds received an AAA rating from Standard & Poor's at the time of the issuance. A recap of the Town's long-term debt outstanding appears below:

<u>Use of Proceeds</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Outstanding Amount (000)</u>
School Construction – Refinance	10/15/24	\$4,740
Capital Projects – Aug 2013	08/15/33	\$5,460
Capital Projects – June 2015	06/01/35	\$3,630
Highway Dept. Garage – October 2017	10/15/37	<u>\$3,825</u>
Total		<u>\$17,655</u>

Phillip J. Penn
Finance Officer & Treasurer

FINANCE DEPARTMENT



FIRE/EMS

Interim Chief of the Dept, Wayne Goeben was sworn in to replace Chief Craig Robbins who had a voluntary separation. The term for the Interim Chief is scheduled to end no later than Dec 31, 2018.

The Town of Canton Volunteer Fire and EMS Department is responsible for Fire, EMS, and Rescue Services within the Town of Canton. Additionally there are mutual aid compacts with multiple surrounding towns, as well as the State of Ct Regional Plans. The Dept also provides coverage for large public events, as well as fire education services.

The Fire Division is completely volunteer. The EMS division uses subcontracted paid personnel to staff the duty ambulance during the day, paramedic coverage, and to backfill open positions when volunteers are not available. Most nights, weekends, and all 2nd ambulance calls are covered by volunteers.

Total Department membership is 55. Of those, 30 belong to the Fire Division (20 Interior, 10 exterior). Additionally 25 belong to the EMS division, 5 to the Fire Police Division, 2 Cadets, and 3 to the administrative division. Some members belong to multiple divisions.

The Department responds from three stations utilizing 11 pieces of apparatus:

- (3) Engines
- (1) Engine Tanker
- (1) Tanker
- (1) 105' Quint Aerial Ladder
- (1) Rescue Truck
- (1) Brush Truck
- (1) Utility Pickup Truck
- (2) Ambulances
- (1) Paramedic Fly Car

Other Ancillary Equipment includes (1) Inflatable boat, (1) ATV, and (1) Fire Police Vehicle *

*-The Fire police vehicle was created from a retired 2008 Ambulance which was replaced by a 2018 Ford Braun ambulance

The Dept went under contract to replace a 1991 Engine Tanker. Delivery is expected in CY 2018.

The Dept responded 1,469 Calls during the FY, with 1,004 of those being medical calls.

FIRE MARSHAL

The Office of the Fire Marshal is responsible for the following services to the Town of Canton:

- Conduct fire and life safety code inspections in accordance with the Connecticut General Statute 29-305 and the Connecticut Fire Safety Code.
- Investigate all fires within the Town of Canton in accordance with CGS 29-302.
- Review plans for new construction and existing building renovations/alterations for compliance of the Connecticut Fire Safety codes.
- In compliance with Connecticut Regulations grant permits for open burning and blasting.
- Provided fire prevention and code enforcement education to the residents and business owners of the Town of Canton.

. The main goal of the inspection is to provide the residents and business owners with safer buildings. The Fire Marshal position is part-time 25 hour a week. This office will continue in its efforts to provide fire and life safety presentations to residents, schools and businesses within the Town of Canton.

FIRST SELECTMEN AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

During the 2017/2018 fiscal year the Town was active planning and commencing a number of large capital projects. One of the projects was the construction of the new Public Works Facility on 50 River Road. Town staff worked with the Temporary Public Works Facility Sub-Committee of the PMBC to develop plans that were eventually approved by the Town's regulatory agencies. Millennium Builders was awarded a contract in the amount of \$3,196,364 to build the facility. One of the hurdles that was discovered early on was that there were unknown underground storage tanks at the site which resulted in contaminated soils which had to be removed. Although the final cost of the cleanup was in excess of \$200,000 the site will be environmentally cleaner. Also, monitoring wells will be established to test any remaining contaminants. Construction on the site began in April 2018 and is anticipated to be completed in November 2018.

Town officials also completed the final designs for historic Town Bridge over the Farmington River. The bridge will be renovated in a manner that preserves the historical appearance of the structure while increasing its current weight limitations. The renovations are expected to cost approximately \$5,683,320 of which 20% or \$1,136,646. In January 2018, the public was surveyed to assist the Board of Selectmen in determining the future color of the bridge. There was a tie between galvanized steel and the current color. The Board voted to make the bridge galvanized, partially because it was approximately \$260,000 less expensive than painting the bridge. It is anticipated that the bridge will be removed, reconditioned and then placed back in its current location during calendar year 2019.

Town Board of Selectmen appointed a temporary Committee made up of residents and members of the Canton Volunteer Fire/EMS Department to review options for rebuilding or replacing the Collinsville Fire Station. The station lacks both vehicle and storage space and has other physical and code issues. The Committee delivered a report to the Board of Selectmen indicating that the most cost effective means of meeting the needs of the Department would be to build a new station. The new station would be located where the current station is and would include what is now Dyer softball field. The recommendation was referred to the Permanent Municipal Building Committee for further review.

Two of the three Town Fire Stations (Canton Springs Road and North Canton) were owned by private organizations. The third Fire Station in Collinsville is owned by the Town but is supported by a private organization. After years of supporting much of the costs associated with the North Canton Fire Station, the North Canton Volunteer Fire Association notified the Town that they were going to dissolve and requested that the Town take ownership of the North Canton Fire Station, including assuming and/or paying the remaining mortgage on the property. In January 2018, at a Special Town Meeting, the voters approved transferring \$400,000 from the undesignated fund balance for that purpose. The North Canton Fire Station is now owned by Town of Canton.

For a number of years residents have requested that the Town consider creating a dog park. In 2017, the Park & Recreation Commission submitted a proposal to the Board of Selectmen recommending that the Town support the construction of a dog park on property located on Commerce Drive. The proposal was backed by a non-profit organization that was established to raise funds for the construction and operation of the dog park. At a Special Town Meeting in January 2018, the voters approved a land swap with the Canton Land Conservation Trust so that Town could own the property where the dog park was proposed to be located. The Friends of the Dog Park is now fundraising for the costs of constructing the park.

Town Officials continue to support different measures for enhancing economic development. In the fall of 2017, the Board of Selectmen adopted a policy that approved tax incentives for certain targeted economic development in specific areas in Town. The amount of the tax incentive depended on the type of development, increase in the tax base, and how many jobs would be created. The Town also funded a study to determine what the cost of expanding utilities (gas, sewer and water) to areas of Route 44 which do not currently have those utilities. The lack of utilities and cost of expanding existing utilities has been cited as one of the main factors inhibiting economic development along Route 44. The study indicated that the cost of expanding utilities along Route 44 would be approximately 11.4 million dollars. Town officials have met with local business owners and the Chamber of Commerce to discuss possible means of expanding utilities. With the increase of uncertainty surrounding the state budget and the availability of future state revenues, it is becoming even more important that the Town increase its commercial tax base.

In an effort to create an efficient government and increase collaboration between general government and the Board of Education, the Town has created a combined Finance Department. Prior to the creation of the new department, financial operations were treated separately. Now all financial operations are handled within one department resulting in the reduction of staffing and operating costs.

The Chief Administrator's Office continues to perform the routine duties of the office, including hiring of Town staff, union negotiations, contract administration for capital projects, acting as purchasing agent and carryout all the policies and directives of the Board of Selectmen. These tasks could not be performed without the dedicated staff of the Chief Administrator's Office, CAO Executive Assistant Claudia Nardi and CAO Clerk Lisa Moulton.

INLAND WETLAND & WATERCOURSES AGENCY

The Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency (“IWWA”) is a permitting agency charged by the State of Connecticut to review, evaluate, and take action on proposed regulated activities potentially having an adverse environmental impact on wetlands and/or watercourses.

During fiscal year 2017-2018, the IWWA held eleven (11) regular meetings, three (3) site walks, and two (2) special meetings. They processed twenty-one (21) applications, five (5) Jurisdictional Determinations and held three (3) public hearings.

The IWWA has an Authorized Agent who is allowed to permit minor activities in upland review areas but not within wetlands or watercourses themselves. The Authorized Agent reports to the Agency all permits issued under its authority at regular meetings and also acts as the IWWA’s enforcement officer. The wetlands agent issued ten (10) authorized agent approvals under this authority during the fiscal year.

The IWWA operates with five (5) regular members and two (2) alternate members. The IWWA holds its regular meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, CT. In addition to its regular meetings, the Commission holds special meetings/site-walks as needed. All meetings are open to the public.

LAND USE OFFICE

Description of Department Functions and Services:

The Land Use Office assists the Town land use and development commissions to adopt plans, policies, regulations and programs to promote the sound long-range development, general welfare and safety of the community. This includes the preservation of property values, conservation of natural resources, and preservation of historic resources, in balance with the development of a strong economic base. These changes are guided by the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development, Zoning Regulations, Inland Wetland and Watercourse Regulations, and Subdivision Regulations. The Commissions served by the Land Use Office include the: Planning and Zoning Commission; Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency; Zoning Board of Appeals; Economic Development Agency; Conservation Commission; Aquifer Protection Agency; Canton Center Historic District Commission; Collinsville Historic District Commission; and POCD Plan Implementation Committee. The Land Use Office also manages a public help desk that provides guidance to developers, private citizens and other interested parties in regard to land use and development policies and regulations in pursuit of improving the future sound development of the Town.

Commission Achievements:

The Land Use Commissions processed a total of 62 applications and or referrals as follows: Zoning Board of Appeals (9); Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency (26); Aquifer Protection Agency (3); and Planning and Zoning Commission (24).

Also, this year the Assistant Planner/Zoning & Wetlands Enforcement Officer continued the process of consistently enforcing regulatory approvals of Land Use Commissions, as well as overseeing general compliance with the regulations.

During this past year, the position has issued:

- 26 signs
- 10 IWWA Authorized Agent Applications
- 5 Liquor Permits
- 47 Zoning Permits
- 14 Minor Site Plan Modifications
- 7 Certificate of Zoning Compliance
- 9 Notices of Violations
- 2 Observation of Violations
- 6 Cease and Desist Orders
- 3 Municipal Citations

During this year the Land Use Office initiated and participated in several key land use projects including but not limited to:

- Assisted the Plan Implementation Committee in the facilitation, monitoring, and documentation the third years' efforts to implement the 2014-2024 POCD.
- Solicited and prepared amendments for consideration of an interim update of the POCD.

- Saw the Canton Village District Form Based Design Code through to adoption, leading to a substantial change in development and economic potential now allowed under zoning. This led to increase in development interests and discussions with a positive response to the market.
- Initiated the integration of an electronic permitting system for Building Department applications.
- Continued development of a Natural Resources Inventory and Open Space Plan.
- Continued annual Bike-Ped count program along the Farmington River Rail Trail.
- Continued the design of streetscape improvements under the \$1.3 million dollar Responsible Growth Grant for continuation of the Collinsville Streetscape Project.
- Worked with a private developer to propose a new zoning district to allow a mixed-use development, consisting of 92 apartments and 12,000 sq. ft. of commercial/office space.
- Worked with the Town's second largest employer to receive approval of a 7,836 office building and pad for an additional 5,100 +/- sq. ft. and reuse of an existing 12,000 sf office building.
- Worked with private developer to obtain approval of a 22,000 sq. ft. retail building with a separate 2,000 sq. ft. restaurant on the same site; a mixed use development at 3 and 5 Cherry Brook Road consisting of a new 92 unit apartment building and 12,000 sq. ft. of commercial space; proposed construction at 100 and 150 Commerce Drive; and a 14,300 sq. ft. highway garage at 50 Old River Road.
- Working with the Canton Economic Development Agency, with the support of the Canton Chamber of Commerce, to conduct a utility extensions study demonstrating the limitations, opportunities, costs, and potential payback for the extension of utilities within the Route 44 Commercial Corridor.
- Represented the Town of Canton at the Connecticut Statewide Injury Prevention Conference presenting public improvements, projects, and initiatives taken by the town to increase the safety of the community for people who bike and walk.
- Represented the Town of Canton as a panlist at the Central Connecticut Health District Complete Streets Forum, Nuts and Bolts for Municipalities.
- Received a 5-year appointment from Governor Malloy as a representative on the Connecticut Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Department Mission & Overview

It is the mission of the Canton Parks and Recreation Department to offer a wide range of recreational opportunities and to provide safe, attractive and well maintained facilities in an effort to enhance the quality of life for all Canton residents.

The Parks and Recreation Department main office is located in the Canton Community Center. The department is overseen by the Parks and Recreation Commission, a full time Parks and Recreation Director, a full time Recreation Supervisor and a part time Recreation Coordinator. There are approximately 60 seasonal employees including aquatics staff, summer camp staff, and maintenance as well as dozens of contracted instructors throughout the year.

Department programs and events are released in seasonal brochures through the Valley Press. Additional information can be found at the Parks and Recreation website www.cantonrec.org and on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Canton-Parks-and-Recreation. The website also includes registration capabilities to allow you to register from the convenience of your home with a credit card, an e-mail system to keep you informed of department happenings, and a facility guide to allow you to view schedules.

Parks and Recreation impacts the entire community, from taking a stroll on the Farmington River Walk, to enrolling your child in T-ball, taking a yoga program, or enjoying a family picnic in the park to the backdrop of our summer concerts. Our slogan is “Connecting Community through Parks, Programs, and People”. We always encourage individuals to come forward with new program ideas or ways the Parks and Recreation Department can improve the lives of Canton residents.

Programs

Canton Parks and Recreation offers over 150 programs throughout the year for all ages and ability levels. During the summer season the department runs a popular Explorers Day Camp, Red Cross Swimming Lessons, Dusky Dolphins Swim Team, and a variety of sports and enrichment camps. During the school year the department offers activities for toddlers through seniors at the Canton Community Center, Cherry Brook Elementary and Canton Intermediate School. Activities include Acrofitness, T-ball, Rec Hoops Basketball, After School Mad Science, Winter Ski Bus, Zumba, Adult Volleyball and Adult Basketball to name a few. Additionally, the department is now operating a comprehensive Recreation Basketball League for grades 1st-8th during the winter and a Beyond the Bell: After School program at Cherry Brook Primary School.

In 2018, the department broke record attendance at the main summer camps- Explorers Day Camp by over 100 more participants enrolled than in 2017. The department’s main camp program, Explorers Day Camp, served over 573 children averaging 63 campers per week. The highest week of camp serviced 81 campers. The Beyond the Bell After School Program has also grown substantially, numbers have doubled since the 2017 school year.

Events

Parks and Recreation Department offers many free or low cost family special events throughout the year including Spook-A-Palooza: Halloween Carnival, Turkey Shoot Basketball Contest, Breakfast with Santa, Canton Family Ice Skating Day, Valentine's Parents' Night Out, Easter Egg-Stravaganza, Earth Day/Spring Clean-Up, Dive In Movie Night, Teen Night, Sundae Funday, and Pooch Plunge. In 2018, the 8 week summer concert series continued to grow with the help of new community sponsorships including the VIP Sponsor Rosenberg Orthodontics.

Parks & Projects

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department provides oversight of town park facilities and athletic fields. Mills Pond Park is the town's primary recreation facility. The 40 acre park holds Mills Pond Pool, a 50 meter Olympic swimming pool, a smaller wading pool, a playground, skate park, 2 full sized basketball courts, 4 tennis courts, and a multi-use field that hosts a range of sporting activities including baseball, softball, football, soccer, lacrosse and field hockey. In addition to Mills Pond, Parks and Recreation schedules and provides oversight to the care of the Canton Community Center gardens, Bicentennial Park, Dyer Field, Canton Green and Millennium Fields.

The Parks and Recreation Department was awarded \$500,000 from the Steap Grant which has been allocated to several important park projects. All of the projects have been completed including a renovated pool house, resurfaced tennis and basketball courts and fence repairs and a renovated skate park. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan document was completed in February of 2018 and is guiding future direction for the department.

Future Initiatives

- Continue to partner with the Friends of Canton Dog Park Inc. in the efforts of creating an eco-friendly Dog Park at 79 Commerce Drive.
- Build an outdoor fitness gym at Mills Pond Park with approved special revenue surplus money to provide free outdoor fitness opportunities to residents.
- Explore ways of funding projects and future initiatives outlined in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Continue to seek funding for the development of a recreation field's complex on Lawton Road.
- Develop and implement more outdoor winter programs (per the Master Plan). Execute and evaluate the success of "Pop Up winter programs" including sledding and snowman building.
- Procure a timed lighting system for the courts at Mills Pond Park using the approved special revenue surplus money to cut down on electrical costs.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) carries out its usual delegated authority through regular monthly meetings with the aid of the Land Use Coordinator and the Town Planner. Approvals of the PZC are monitored and enforced by the Zoning Enforcement Officer. The Enforcement Officer also oversees and enforces general compliance with the zoning regulations, and reports monthly to the PZC and Zoning Board of Appeals.

In Fiscal Year 2017-2018, the PZC held twelve (12) regular meetings, seven (7) special meetings, processed twenty-four (24) applications and two (2) requests for referral.

The PZC completed a substantial amendment to the zoning regulations adopting four (4) village districts published as the Canton Village Districts Form Based Design Code, a significant accomplishment this year.

The Commission also approved a substantial amount of new development this year including: 101-107 Albany Turnpike consisting of a 22,000 sf Aldi's grocery store with a separate 2,000 sf restaurant on the same site; a mixed use development at 3 and 5 Cherry Brook Road consisting of a new 92 unit apartment building and 12,000 sf of commercial space; proposed construction of a 7,836 office building and pad for an additional 5,100 +/- sf, and reuse of an existing 12,000 sf office building at 100 and 150 Commerce Drive; a 14,300 sf highway garage at 50 Old River Road; and a 7,200 sf vehicle repair facility at 20 Colonial Road.

The PZC is comprised of seven (7) regular members and two (2) alternate members. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM, at the Library Community Center. All meetings are open to the public and the Commission welcomes input from town residents and property owners for all public hearings.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Canton Police Department is committed to excellence in law enforcement and dedicated to the people, traditions, and diversity of our Town. Canton Police Department personnel remain devoted to protecting lives, property, and the rights of all people and to maintain order and to impartially enforce the law. In partnership with our community, we provide professional and ethical law enforcement services and protection of public safety.

Canton Police Department personnel strive to maintain the trust and confidence of our citizens, while working to improve quality of life. It is our mission to ensure the optimal safety conditions for all Canton residents, visitors and businesses. Department personnel recognize the importance of the key values such as integrity, professionalism, and quality customer service in order to gain and maintain the confidence of the community.

The following are some of the highlights from the 2017-18 Fiscal Year.

PERSONNEL:

- The current staffing of the Canton Police Department as of June 30, 2018 was: Chief of Police, Captain, four patrol Sergeants, one Detective, seven Patrol Officers, one Animal Control Officer, one school crossing guard, four fulltime Dispatchers, four part-time Dispatchers, and an Administrative Assistant.
- This fiscal year the Canton Police Department's Patrol force lost one officer to retirement. This was the first separation of an officer in over 4 years from the police department.
- The Canton Police Dispatch staffing remained unchanged.

ADMINISTRATIVE HIGHLIGHTS:

The major administrative activities that were accomplished during this fiscal year:

- Canton Police Dispatch Center completed its cut over to the second iteration to the Statewide Next Generation 911 phone system, including the Text to 911 capability.
- Chief Arciero continued as the lead role as the chief administrative oversight to the nine (9) North Central Municipal Police Department's Accident Reconstruction team.
- Captain Terra provided updated training as part of the town employee safety training program and provided in-service training for officer recertification mandates.
- Canton Police Department obtained new portable radios, mobile data terminals, Narcan dispensers and electronic conductive weapons.
- Canton Police adopted new general orders for use of force, pursuits and sexual assault investigations.

COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS:

The major Community Policing Programs that were instituted continued or upgraded during this fiscal year:

- Canton Police/Dispatch, Canton Fire, State DEP, other area law enforcement, fire departments, CERT teams and local business participated in the initiation of the Farmington River Emergency Marking Plan

to ensure more specific and timely response to river incidents where emergency responder resources were required.

- Continued participation in many charitable/social assistance events: Ride to School, Walk for Hunger, Bagging for Hunger, Toy Drive, Food Drive, Special Olympics Torch Run, College Internship Programs, Child ID Safety events, Safety talks at day care facilities, Youth Services Bureau meetings, Senior TRIAD, JRB program, CPD Building tours, and submission of articles for the Canton Connections and Senior Scribe.
- In conjunction with the Canton Schools, Canton Police received a grant from the Canton Community Health Fund Grant to purchase stop the bleed kits as part of the overall school safety and security planning.
- Chief Arciero conducted a Canton Business Community Safety Outreach program to promote safety for Canton businesses.
- Chief Arciero created a threat assessment protocol for consideration and review with the Canton Public Schools.
- The Canton CERT continued its participation in its signature annual food drive for the Canton Food Bank.
- Canton CERT, in conjunction with FEMA and the Connecticut State Department of Emergency Management, continued its participation in the Statewide EPPI event and STEP training to CIS students.
- Canton Police trained another police officer as a certified bicycle patrol officer.

OPERATIONS: ACTIVITY INCIDENT DATA:

- Canton Police Department personnel maintained their involvement in the security planning and operational support for the Annual Collinsville 'HOT' summertime event and the annual Hartford Marathon 10K road race in Canton.
- Canton Police Officers participated in two (2) federally funded grant programs for highway safety (Distracted Driving and High Risk Rural Road Speed Enforcement). In addition, Canton Police Officer participated in the annual State DOT Seatbelt WAVE campaign.
- Canton Police Officers continued their participation in 'Code Red' emergency response drills at all Canton Public Schools.
- Canton Police Department hosted the Statewide Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative for Canton Department Heads and Town Emergency Response Units.
- During Fiscal Year 2017-2018, there were 10,860 incidents recorded which including the following:
 - 46 Domestic Disturbances/Family Offense Cases
 - 78 Larceny/Theft Investigations
 - 975 Medical calls were responded as first responders

 - 738 Motor Vehicle (MV) Stops
 - 372 MV accident investigations
 - 13 Driving Under the Influence cases
 - 41 Fraud cases investigated
 - 6 Sex Offense Investigation cases

- 17 Missing Person cases
- 138 Suspicious Circumstances/Persons/Vehicles

On a daily basis our Officers and Dispatchers continue to work very hard to reach the goal of providing the best coverage possible as they respond to the public safety needs of our Town.

For additional information about the Canton Police Department, its mission and programs, please contact Chief Christopher Arciero at 860-693-7872 or carciero@townofcantonct.org.

In closing, Chief Arciero extends his thanks and praise to the dedicated and professional employees of the Canton Police Department for their continued commitment to the provision of law enforcement and public safety services to all residents, visitors, and businesses to the Canton Community.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fiscal Year 2018 was another exciting one at the Canton Public Library. For most of the year, the library is open 54 hours per week. We know that our patrons increasingly expect “on demand” services, though, and to that end patrons can search our catalog; place holds; access ebooks, audiobooks, and other downloadable media; consult databases; and much more from our “virtual library” at www.cantonpubliclibrary.org. The circulation of our downloadable materials through Overdrive and Hoopla continues to grow – this year we saw an increase of 12% over FY2017 – and usage of databases such as ValueLine (an investment research service), Lynda (online learning), Mango (foreign language instruction), and Consumer Reports is climbing as well.

While the demand for digital items continues to grow, books and other physical media are certainly here to stay, and we continue to provide our patrons with a wide variety of books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, blu-rays, books on CD, and more. Through our newly-revamped state delivery service (DeliverIt) and a supplemental delivery service provided by our library consortium, during FY18 we were able to borrow 7,532 items from other libraries in order to meet the needs of our patrons.

We were excited this year to unveil a new Local Author collection. Patrons can now borrow many books from Canton authors past and present, and their works will be preserved for posterity in our Local History room collection as well.

The library continues to work with other town departments and organizations to increase our community involvement. This year, we once again hosted a registration drive on National Voter Registration Day in conjunction with the town Registrars and the League of Women Voters. The Canton Police Department, Public Works, and the Canton Volunteer Fire Department lent their staff and their vehicles to us for a very popular four-week “Touch a Truck” PJ Story Time series. The Mandell JCC worked with us to present several seasonal story time programs to our youngest patrons and we continued collaborations with Canton Parents as Teachers, other early childhood organizations, and Canton Public Schools as well. We worked collaboratively with Senior and Social Services to present programs of interest to older adults, and Canton Parks and Recreation were of great assistance in making the always-popular end-of-summer-reading party at Mills Pond Park happen. We also had a booth in the Family Chill Zone at Collinsville Hot street festival, and started a monthly outreach service at Cherry Brook Health Care Center.

Programming continues to be a large part of what we do at the library, and during FY2018 we had 477 programs with 8,244 attendees, in addition to nearly 2000 attendees at various outreach programs. One particular highlight this year was our solar eclipse viewing party, which attracted dozens of attendees of all ages who came together to share the unique experience of watching the partial solar eclipse in August 2017.

This year we were particularly happy to welcome Meghan Glasgow to our staff as our first-ever full-time teen services librarian. After advocating for this position for a number of years, we have been thrilled to see the immediate impact Meghan has had on our teen space and in the lives of our tween and teen patrons.

If you haven’t visited the library in some time, please do come check us out. We think you will be surprised by everything a library can be.

Sarah McCusker
Library Director

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Highway

The Highway Department is responsible for the repair and maintenance of 71.2 miles of improved and unimproved roads within the Town of Canton. This winter season once again challenged the department to keep the roads clear and safe. The department responded to 24 winter storm events. Following the Town Pavement Management Program, the Highway Department along with several contractors performed \$437,396.90 of roadway improvements this past year (see attached list). The roadway improvements consisted of several repair strategies that included milling and paving of Freedom Drive and Torrington Avenue. Leveling course paving with chip sealing was also performed on Canton Valley Circle, Country Lane, and Gemstone Drive. Crack sealing was also performed on 10 Town roads. To access information on roadwork please go to the Pavement Management Program link located on the town website: <http://www.townofcantonct.org/content/19178/19240/19707/default.aspx> . The Town utilizes a Pavement Management Program called Road Manager Software that allows the department to track work performed and to determine future repairs to the Town's roadway infrastructure. The Highway Department also performed extensive tree work on various Town properties during the winter. The department also responded to numerous requests from residents to perform drainage, tree work and road improvements throughout the year. Highway Foreman Thomas Richardson and the steadfast Highway Department staff did an exemplary job dealing with a long stormy winter season and numerous emergency call-ins throughout the year, successfully keeping Town roads open and safe.

Parks

The Parks Department is responsible for 110+ acres of maintenance and improvements to all Town walking trails, greens, parks, pool, athletic fields, building and grounds including all school campuses. Parks Supervisor Henry Maskaitis and the committed Parks Department staff continue the use of excellent cultural practices, utilizing Integrated Pest Management (IPM), an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common-sense practices and last resort pesticide use. This environmental friendly management practice has shown excellent results in both field quality and lowering maintenance costs. This year illustrated the department's ongoing commitment to maintaining and improving the Town Pool with the installation of a sprinkler system with new turf around the pool. The Town Pool continues to be maintained at a high level by the department including performing the spring opening of the pool, painting/repairing the pool, maintenance during the summer open times and winterizing duties helping to save costs. The department also was involved with planting several new trees at the Community Center and Willem van Gemeren Memorial Field. The Farmington River Trail continues to be an area that the Parks Department has been working to improve public safety. This year, the department installed several donated memorial benches along the walking trail. Also, the Parks Department with the assistance of the Highway Department helped out in running electrical power to the Flow Bridge Lighting Project. The department continues to work with the Cherry Brook Garden Club to maintain the landscaping at Town buildings, parks, and recreational facilities to provide a pleasing appearance. This growing department continues to add new

services to accurately reflect the needs of the community. The Parks Department goals are to improve the quality of each facility and identify new ways of reducing maintenance costs.

Building Maintenance

The Building Maintenance Department is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of 88,805 square feet of building space at the Town Hall, Library/Community Center, Collinsville Fire Station, Public Works, and Police Station. During this past year, the department responded to 345 service calls along with their regular duties. The Building Maintenance Department managed the replacement of the back flow preventer that is hooked up to the boiler and an automatic power transfer switch on the emergency generator at the Community Center/Library. The department also added a new call coverage feature in the elevators at the Town Hall and Community Center. The department supervised the Town Hall Finance Departments office renovations. The year also saw continuing support from the department involving maintenance & repair work at the North Canton Fire Stations. The Town purchased the Fire Station late in the year and it will be permanently added to the department's maintenance responsibilities. Building Maintenance Supervisor Dimitrios Papachristos and the hard working Building Maintenance staff's commitment to perform at a high level this past year was very evident in keeping the buildings clean and well maintained.

Transfer Station

The Transfer Station staff had another excellent year assisting the Town residents who bring their trash and recyclables to the facility. The Transfer Station sells over eleven hundred permits per year. The facility serves as the primary trash and recycling option for more than 1/4 of Canton's households. The recycling rate for the year turned out to be 30%, a small increase over the previous year. The Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund was created and implemented in 2013 to finance the operating budget for the facility. The revenue generated through the selling of permits, tokens and recycling rebates stays in the fund to pay out the operational expenditures and future upgrades to the facility. This year the Town held three Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection days with the Towns of Simsbury, Avon, Farmington, and Granby. By sharing this service, the Town has been able to provide addition local collection dates and still maintain a lower cost than what was charged previously by the MDC. The credit card swipe option and acceptance of personal checks that allows residents to purchase tokens and pay for loads on-site continues to be a popular service that residents have taken advantage of in record numbers. This busy departments goal is to continue making strides to improve trash and recycling services for our community.

Administrative

The Administration Department provides organizational support and oversight to the entire department to effectively manage the diverse infrastructure and related Capital Improvement Programs consistent with Town policy, industry standards and regulatory agency requirements. Public Works Director Robert Martin along with Project Administrator George Wallace and Administrative Assistant Heather Maroon worked on many large scale projects that included the relocation of the Town Garage. In the spring, site work and building construction began on the new Town Garage. The Facility is located next to the old garage with a fall 2018 move in time anticipated. The Administrative Department continued monitoring the State of Connecticut's

progress on final design agreements for the Town Bridge Road bridge project. Administrative staff also coordinated the implementation of the Town’s new Stormwater Management Plan. The department also provided assistance with several Bids & RFP’s for various Town Departments and the Board of Education. One of the larger projects included oversight of the Town of Canton Streetscape II Project in Collinsville. Project Administrator George Wallace, who is a Professional Engineer, also continued an excellent job assisting the Land Use Office in providing development engineering reviews as projects were submitted. The Canton Public Works Department’s motto is “Serving the Community with Pride”. The department’s goal is to search for improved ways to perform their jobs.

On behalf of the entire Department of Public Works, we are very thankful for the support shown to us by Town Staff, Boards, Commissions, Agencies, and especially to our wonderful Town residents for approving and building a new Public Works Facility.

Name	From	To	Length (linear feet)	Width	PCI	Actual Cost	Assigned Resources	Repair Strategy	Date Completed
Canton Green Road	Albany Turnpike	Dowd Avenue	239	33	65	\$ 358.50	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Canton Valley Circle	Albany Turnpike	Canton Valley Circle	1,841	24	80	\$ 11,244.28	Vendor/DPW	Level Course / Chip Seal	Summer
Collins Road	Torrington Avenue	Dead End	1,601	18	78	\$ 5,015.63	Vendor/DPW	Chip Seal	Summer
Community Center/Library Parking Lot						\$ 3,500.00	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Country Lane	Torrington Avenue	Country Lane	5,062	26	85	\$ 55,425.49	Vendor/DPW	Level Coarse / Chip Seal w/drainage	Summer
Crown Point	Dartmouth Drive	Cul-De-Sac	1,999	26	80	\$ 1,799.10	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
East Mountain Road	East Hill Road	Cherry Brook Road	6,276	20	70	\$ 4,958.04	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Freedom Drive	Torrington Avenue	Cul De Sac	3,027	24	95	\$ 109,029.88	Vendor/DPW	Mill / Overlay w/drainage	Fall
Gemstone Drive	Erickson Drive	Cul De Sac	405	26	78	\$ 2,048.63	Vendor/DPW	Level Course / Chip Seal	Summer
Jeff's Lane	Sunrise Drive	Cul-De-Sac	475	26	90	\$ 712.50	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Lawton Road	Albany Turnpike	Washburn Road	1,711	24	80	\$ 1,539.90	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Livingston Road	Bart Drive	Cul-De-Sac	1,495	26	80	\$ 1,345.50	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Main Street/Town Hall Parking Lot	Bridge Street	Front Street	300	30	95	\$ 3,491.82	Vendor	Retainage / Reclaim (local) Textile w/drainage	Winter
Mohawk Drive	Albany Turnpike	Cul De Sac	2,408	26	80	\$ 10,496.63	Vendor/DPW	Chip Seal	Summer
North Mountain Road	Cherry Brook Road	Woodchuck Hill Road	6,056	26	70	\$ 4,784.24	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Pond Road	Sunrise Drive	Cul-De-Sac	1,932	22	85	\$ 1,738.80	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Queens Peak Road	Pond View Drive	120 FT West of Pondview Drive	120	26	75	\$ 330.00	Vendor	Crack Seal	Fall
Simonds Avenue	River Road	Dyer Avenue	1,141	30	95	\$ 840.00	Vendor/DPW	Top Soil Curbs/Yards	Spring
Swimming Pool Road	Albany Turnpike	End	1,373	21	80	\$ 5,018.65	Vendor/DPW	Chip Seal	Summer
Torrington Avenue	Bridge Street	Dead End	5,800	27	90	\$ 202,377.96	Vendor/DPW	Mill / Overlay w/drainage	Summer
Willem van Gemenen Memorial Field Lot						\$ -	Vendor/DPW	Overlay w/drainage	
Full Dept. Patching/Misc. Drainage						\$ 11,330.30			
Testing and Engineering Services						\$ 11.05			
<i>Totals</i>			43,261	8.19	Miles	\$ 437,396.90			

SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES/COMMISSION ON AGING

The Senior & Social Services Department offers services, programs and other resources to residents of Canton to help them achieve self-sufficiency maintain economic well-being and adjust to different circumstances and events in their lives. The department provides current information on local, regional and statewide resources and coordinates increasingly diverse programs to serve residents with varying backgrounds and needs.

The department is responsible for the administration of social services to residents experiencing financial, physical and psychosocial hardships. This is facilitated primarily through case management- the process through which a social worker assesses an individual's or family's needs, advises on the various options available, and help clients achieve the maximum level of self-determination.

CANTON SENIOR CENTER

One division of the department is the active Canton Senior Center, which is open Monday through Friday between 9am-4:30pm. The department is responsible for coordinating Senior Center programs, special events and health and wellness campaigns, serving the continually growing and diverse needs and interests of older adults (defined to be residents 55 years or older). The Center was under new leadership in Yuliya Mosijchuk, who started in July 2017. During the Fiscal Year 2017-2018, many Senior Center programs offered previously were maintained and some new physical activities were introduced to the Center and it's Membership, while the department took a look at formalizing policies and procedures in regard to membership, sign-up and overall decorum within the Senior Center.

ONGOING CANTON SENIOR CENTER PROGRAMMING

The Scholarly Hour program continued through the transition between Senior Center Coordinators, and even attracted new 'students', as the discussion took a turn from art to world history. With the moving away of one Senior Center Member who had really encouraged the COMMUNITY

CONVERSATION group and with the transition between Coordinators, this group is now informal in nature and does not have the Coordinator moderating. With a goal of increasing physical activities provided through the Center, Ms. Mosijchuk worked hard to establish new relationships with Instructors who were adept at teaching and older group while maintaining previously established relationships like that with our Tai Chi instructor, who has been teaching through the Center for almost a decade. New activities include a Chair Yoga class and a Dance Exercise class. Both attract varied populations of older adults.

SENIOR CENTER PROGRAM	# DAYS MET	#PEOPLE SERVED	ID
CANTON SENIOR CLUB	12	35	S
F.V. MENS' CLUB	24	90	S
BRIDGE GROUP	48	10	S
BINGO GROUP	40	20	S
WOMEN OF THE FIBER	48	20	S
60+ CARDS GROUP	100	10	S
MAH JONGG MAVENS	48	9	S
CRT COMMUNITY CAFE	92	3496 meals total	S/N
Wii BOWLING TEAM	150	10 Players	S/W
SCHOLARLY HOUR	26	10	S/E

Representative special events this past year included:

LGBT Moveable Senior Center	6/28/18	7	Canton SC hosted the LGBT MSC Initiative supported by CCCI & a grant. This day featured ZenTangle meditation and goodies for attendees & participants.
Canton Cabaret! Event	6/13/18	75	Event hosted by Canton SC, sponsored by CATA, Canton HS Music Dept, & the NHS @ Canton HS. Senior Center Members enjoy the music from the jazz band & goodies in a decorated lively atmosphere.

Kindness Rocks Project	June 15, 2018	10	Seabury Care sponsored KINDNESS ROCKS painting at Canton SC, bringing materials for Participants to paint beautiful rocks with positive affirmations and beautiful designs.
Older Americans Month Award	5/25/18	35	Canton Senior Center and COA sponsored an award ceremony to present Mary Ann Christensen with an OAM award during our CRT lunch. Celebrated with a cake. Award was presented by Leslee Hill.
Days of Our Lives	All of May	10-12	Seniors were paired up with CIS 6 th graders to work on a project involving interviewing, listening and writing skills.
Chair Yoga Class	Fridays	14	Chair Yoga has had a steady core group of Attendees despite weather related closings and medical ailments of participants. New Session to begin end of May.
Canton Senior Club	April	35	Canton Senior Club attended a lunch at Village Gates of Farmington. Luncheon at Amici's scheduled for May 2 nd .
Canton Wii Rollers	4/23/18	8	Canton Wii Rollers continue to prepare for statewide tournament scheduled for May 4 th .
Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon	4/16/18	35	Canton Seniors Center hosted a volunteer appreciation luncheon; nominated 3 individuals for Canton Aging Well Ally award: Margaret Sangster, Sue & Tom Mallard, & Lilian "Kaye" Schies.
Love Your Neighbor Event	2.9.18	80	Amazing annual event ended up being a success despite the weather recently! Canton Community Nursery School, along with Ben & Jerry's and homemade soup made by Director Cote made for a delicious meal and entertainment for Canton, Avon SC Members and residents from the Farmington Valley ☺
Winter Wonderland Celebration Luncheon	12.29.17	75	Meal & Entertainment by the Bennett Family of Cheshire CT who have a variety act of everything from bells, violin, choral, etc.
Matter of Balance by Farmington Valley Health District	10/02/17-11/17	15	Facilitated by the FVHD. Live Well! Program geared toward increased health & wellness and particularly balance in adults. Very successful/ wonderful feedback. Preparing for follow up workshop "Walk with Ease" 6 week class that promotes staying healthy during cold months.
Veterans Benefit Presentation	11.9.17	12	Presentation by Drazen Law on Veterans Benefits for caregivers. Hour de vours donated by Rivers edge restaurant.
Matter of Balance by Farmington Valley Health District	10/02/17-11/17	15	Facilitated by the FVHD. Live Well! Program geared toward increased health & wellness and particularly balance in adults. Very successful/ wonderful feedback. Preparing for follow up workshop "Walk with Ease" 6 week class that promotes staying healthy during cold months.
Oktoberfest	10.30.17	65	Hosted a luncheon for 65 individuals with entertainment (sponsored by Canton Lions Club) and food by CherryBrook HCC & meat by Canton Lions Club. Received wonderful feedback about the event, attendees had a great time & enjoyed the food, music & alcohol free beer/wine (Provided by Canton Senior Club.
Senior Center Celebration	9.25.17	25	Hosted a luncheon for 25 individuals with entertainment (sponsored by Chamber of Commerce) and food by various community organizations. Offered free flu shots (Walgreens Pharmacy) and balance assessments (CherryBrookHealthCare). Set up as an "expo" of local resources for older adults.
Seniors Farmers Market Vouchers Distribution	July & August	-	There were several "outreach" events planned to distribute vouchers to eligible Canton residents, at the Housing complexes and the Food Bank; all were canceled once SaSS got word that there was no state \$ appropriated and all the received vouchers were no longer valid. Press releases were put out to communicate this to the general public and it will also be included in the upcoming newsletter.
Chronic Disease Management Course	06.22.17-08.03.17	6	Facilitated by the FVHD. Live Well! Program geared toward increased health & wellness
Welcome Yuliya! Celebration & Community Concert	Friday 7.7.17	50	Concert provided by Howard Banow after regularly scheduled CRT lunch was a great opportunity to serve some delicious cake, and welcome Yuliya, while providing outside folks to come and introduce themselves to her.
Annual Senior Picnic	Thursday 7.20.17	120	Over 100 Avon and Canton residents gathered, including a group from CBHCC, to feast on indoor picnic food- hamburgers, hot dogs, side salads, watermelon, soda and ice cream for dessert. Canton ShopRite donated all the food/materials; Rotary Members cooked and set up and served; Rotary sponsored entertainment of Jeff Weiselberg through Cutting Edge Entertainment.

The **CANTON SENIOR CENTER SCRIBE NEWSLETTER** continues to be utilized as the major form of communication for the Canton Senior Center Members. The publication is packed with Community events, as

well as pertinent information from the other town departments and because of the cost-savings with a smaller, dedicated Membership as well as the internet-savviness of our Members, we are now able to send out the publication 4x a year as opposed to 3. Each publication will now cover, appropriately, “Summer” (June, July, August); “Fall” (September, October, November); “Winter” (December, January, February); “Spring” (March, April, May) months and will highlight seasonally appropriate activities and community events, whilst always promoting our regular Senior activities and services. Looking forward to 2018-2019, the Senior and Social Services, with the support of the Canton Commission on Aging will continue to diversify and expand existing services and programs. The Senior Center and Commission on Aging are assessing ways of formalizing membership, while increasing and tracking member engagement and tracking trends.

**FISCAL YEAR
2010/2011- 2017/2018
TRENDS**

	CRT Lunches	Days Opened	M O W	Clients Served	Blood Pressure Screenings	F O C Dialysis Rides	Medical Transport	Flu Shot	CHOICES Medicare Insurance Counseling	Foot Care	AARP Taxes	AARP Smart Driving Course	Rx Discount Cards Used	# of Claims
FY 2010/2011	4274	94	7449	209	1886	295	238		53	100				
FY 2011/2012	4101	96	6649	206	1840	322	251		63	110				
FY 2012/2013	4055	100			816	322	355		46		106			
FY 2013/2014	3668	95	10,390	318	975		426		40	50	145	46	62	102
FY 2014/2015	3422	98	8464	244	1016		240	92	73	53	132	55	138	173
FY 2015/2016	3334	101	4810	141	604	164	149	81	56	18	0	50	45	46
FY 2016/2017	3284	96	11480	335	1068	159	167	70	64	43	148	29	28	34
FY 2017/2018	3496	92	9163	271	882	191	288		71	59	264	29	55	82
	= no info available													

PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT CARD

Canton residents receive discounts on Prescriptions when they otherwise wouldn't have coverage.

2017	Jun-17	8	7	\$442.52	\$55.30	\$474.25	\$59.28	52%
2017	Jul-17	10	7	\$442.52	\$44.25	\$209.29	\$20.93	32%
2017	Aug-17	7	5	\$352.63	\$50.38	\$358.85	\$51.26	50%
2017	Sep-17	6	6	\$393.94	\$65.66	\$208.51	\$34.75	35%
2017	Oct-17	3	3	\$311.58	\$103.86	\$130.29	\$43.43	29%
2017	Nov-18	4	5	\$286.01	\$71.50	\$123.46	\$30.87	30%
2017	Dec-17	5	5	\$406.54	\$81.31	\$331.31	\$66.26	45%
	Year Total:	77	66	\$4,026.07	\$52.29	\$3,223.40	\$41.86	44%
2018	Jan-18	4	7	\$286.01	\$71.50	\$119.46	\$29.87	29%
	Feb-18	2	3	\$358.98	\$179.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Mar-18	3	5	\$346.95	\$115.65	\$168.02	\$56.01	33%
	Year Total:	9	15	\$991.94	\$110.22	\$287.48	\$31.94	22%
Total		651	495	\$52,614.73	\$80.82	\$27,144.29	\$41.70	34%

SOCIAL SERVICES

Each year, the Social Services Department provides thousands of units of service to Canton individuals and families through various programs which include: Financial Assistance, Medical Assistance, Short-term Assessment, Fuel Assistance, the Holiday Gift Program, Emergency Shelter, Private Funds, Eviction Assistance, and Information and Referral Services. These services and helpful programs are in addition to those specialized senior & disabled services which were previously referenced.

One new responsibility of the department in 2017/18 was the administration of the statewide RENTERS' REBATE program which was previously administered through the Assessor's office. This responsibility primarily fell on Administrative Assistant, Janet Boyd, who diligently processed 185 applications between April 1st and October 1st of 2017. This program provides those Renters who qualify with a check that represents a percentage of what they pay overall for rent, utilities and heat in the previous calendar year (2016).

SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE SENIOR S & DISABLED

	CHOICES	FOOT CARE	BLOOD PRESSURES	FLU SHOTS	AARP SAFE DRIVE	AARP TAX APPTS.	RENTER'S REBATE
JULY	4	5	85				
AUGUST	5	4	107				
SEPTEMBER	3	6	70				115
OCTOBER	16	2	77				
NOVEMBER	21	4	87		21		
DECEMBER	8	6	71				1
JANUARY	1	3	70				
FEBRUARY	0	4	61			95	
MARCH	4	5	42			104	
APRIL	4	6	62		8	65	24
MAY	3	7	80				29
JUNE	2	7	70				16
TOTAL	71	59	882		29	264	185

SOCIAL SERVICES WITH YOUTH & FAMILIES

Increased services and attention were provided to the younger population within town and those families supporting them. Promotion of the Parks & Recreation Scholarship program; Free/Reduced Meals program through the school; the recently 'opened' Care 4 Kids program; YSB-supported Counseling for families, students and individuals; the Holiday Giving Program and a much more formalized Back to School Assistance Program meant that this department was not just associated with the older and disabled population, which is important. This aligned with the increased work with the Youth Services Bureau, Canton Parks & Recreation and the Teen Librarian, as well as with the Mental Health Task Force. More families took advantage of other-funded programs such as the Salvation Army Camp ConnRI as well. Trainings in suicide prevention that were open to town employees were also open to Board of Education employees in the month of September.

Connecticut experienced a very cold winter, so the Fuel Bank was used to assist a myriad of families and individual Canton residents to ensure they had heat within their homes and apartments. The CEFB is a local non-profit that works in conjunction with the Department. The Bank also assists with utility shut-off notices to ensure electricity and gas is not shut off on already struggling families.

MONTH	FUEL BANK \$ AMT.	AUTHOR	SERVED
JULY	\$1,031.00	5	15
AUGUST	\$694.13	2	6
SEPTEMBER	\$1,016.90	4	10
OCTOBER	\$4,899.87	22	44
NOVEMBER	\$2,449.00	9	17
DECEMBER	\$4,374.30	16	38
JANUARY	\$3,232.62	11	24
FEBRUARY	3,168.19	10	17
MARCH	2,467.19	8	14
APRIL	2,336.51	6	9
MAY	2,800.87	7	12
JUNE	1,205.10	4	6
TOTAL	\$29,675.68	104	212

MENTAL HEALTH TASK FORCE

Under the leadership of FVHD Director Jennifer Kertanis, the Mental Health Task Force was born in order to address mental health issues in the area. Originally the group came together to address the opioid epidemic and then widened their area of interest, with the idea to address the epidemic first. The group consists of folks from the Canton Schools, Police Department, First Selectwoman Leslee Hill, Director of Senior & Social Services Claire, and many others who work with folks with mental health and addiction issues. Several events have been planned, with the energy and support of Director Claire coordinating them here at the Community Center. The Task Force also was the recipient of funds from the Canton Main Street after their Collinsville HOT event in July 2017. This department is dedicated to working in a collaborative way to ensure mental health issues are addressed not only in the schools but also within the Community. Things such as the opioid epidemic; suicide prevention; bullying; stress reduction; medical marijuana and substance use and abuse are amongst the topics that will be addressed by the Task Force and that this department takes a special interest in.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Senior & Social Services applied again and was awarded grant monies (\$20,464) from the state DOT for regional elderly and disabled transportation. Dial-A-Ride services for the elderly and for adults with disabilities are funded partially with this grant money so that we are able to provide transportation Monday through Friday, and joint trips with Simsbury.

	DAR Pass.	DAR Trips	Funds Collected
JULY	377	320	\$512.50
AUGUST	412	368	\$225.00
SEPTEMBER	295	271	\$195.00
OCTOBER	403	344	\$100.00
NOVEMBER	323	291	\$175.00
DECEMBER	339	291	\$0.00
JANUARY	303	248	\$0.00

FEBRUARY	301	247	\$50.00
MARCH	350	289	\$50.00
APRIL	377	316	\$65.00
MAY	335	296	\$100.00
JUNE	345	296	
TOTAL	4160	3577	\$1,472.50

ENHANCED MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

As the Department did in 2016/17, all transportation services for elderly and disabled individuals were provided through Martel Transportation. Below is an illustration of the number of medical transportation rides that were coordinated and provided by Martel Transportation. The town applies for annually Dept. of Transportation grant monies that are used towards these enhanced medical transports, outside the regular Dial A Ride service area. A local non-profit organization, Focus On Canton, Inc. provides assistance to the town on a case by case basis depending on the extended needs of the people who are served by this transportation service. These are Canton residents who are either 60 years of age or older, or who are younger but who have been deemed eligible for Social Security Disability or SSI.

	MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION		VOLUNTEER TRANSPORTATION THRU FOCUS ON CANTON	
	MED. RIDES	TOWN/Martel	ONE WAY TRIPS	CLIENTS
JULY	12	48	6	1
AUGUST	14	56	14	1
SEPTEMBER	14	20	21	2
OCTOBER	15	15	10	2
NOVEMBER	13	13	18	2
DECEMBER	16	16	11	4
JANUARY	10	17	29	4
FEBRUARY	9	16	16	3
MARCH	18	18	24	2
APRIL	12	21	21	4
MAY	9	22	21	4
JUNE	14	26		
TOTAL	156	288	191	29

CANTON SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

In 2017-2018 Canton Senior & Social Services did not work with any Social Work Interns from local universities or schools. This is unique for the department but this was done specifically because of the number of transitions happening within the department’s staff and the Center as a whole. The Internship program is otherwise very important to the Senior and Social Services department insomuch as the number of programs and services offered through this department are so plentiful that it is necessary to have interns. It is anticipated the department will work with an Intern again in the near future.

CANTON COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TEAM & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Senior and Social Services continues to play a role in the Emergency Preparedness of the town of Canton and is planning on, in collaboration with the Emergency Management Director, co-coordinating a Community Emergency Response Team. This is a group of volunteers who assist emergency personnel who may be 'stretched' during large community events and natural disasters. The town has a motivated team of almost 40 now, who continue to train monthly and provide outreach and education to the town, as well as support during large community events.

FUTURE PLANS This office will continue to provide programs, services and events that increase wellbeing of all Canton residents, while working with them to increase self-sustainability, self-esteem and their ability to be active members of their community here in Canton.

TAX COLLECTOR

The Town's Tax Collector is appointed by the Board of Selectman and works full time with one part time assistant. Responsibilities include billing, collecting and accounting for taxes on real estate, business/personal property and motor vehicles as well as fees for sewer usage, sewer connections, sewer assessments, parking tickets and false alarm penalties. All practices are performed in accordance with the Connecticut General State Statutes, Town Charter and various local ordinances.

Additional department activities during Fiscal Year 2017-2018 included:

- Hiring a new Tax Collector
- Assisting Town Clerk and Assessor's offices as necessary

For Fiscal Year 2017-2018, Canton's tax collection rate was 100.7% of the budgeted tax revenue. The sewer usage collection rate was 99.4% of the budgeted revenue.

Breakdown for both below:

(Tax Figures)	17-18 YTD	17-18 % of budgeted (as of 6/30/2018)
Current Year Tax	\$33,624,177	100.4
Current Year MVS	\$344,984	137.9
Prior Year Tax	\$156,725	68.1
Prior Year Suspense	\$11,176	372.5
Tax Interest and Lien	\$114,132	163.0
Total % of budgeted amount for fiscal year		100.7

(Sewer Figures)	17-18 YTD	17-18 % of budgeted (as of 6/30/2018)
Current Year Sewer Use	\$888,988	98.7
Prior Year Sewer Use	\$38,850	97.1
Sewer Use Interest & Lien	\$21,666	144.4
Total % of budgeted amount for fiscal year		99.4

These collection figures indicate how Canton taxpayers continue to meet their fiscal responsibilities and support Town services.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

The Town Clerk's Office is responsible for the organization and safekeeping Town records that include land records, maps and surveys, vital records (birth, death, and marriage), election and referendum results, justice of the peace appointments, dog licenses, sport licenses, military discharges, town ordinances, meeting minutes & agendas, trade name certificates, notary public appointments, transfer station permits and liquor licenses. The public has access to a majority of these records during regular business hours.

Department activities during Fiscal Year 2016-2017 included:

- Worked with Town Historian, David Leff, to create Walking Tour brochure
- Attended Town Clerk conferences
- Attended Sexual Harassment & Safety Training classes
- Worked with Registrar of Voters on Municipal Election & post-election audit
- Member appointment to the Charter Revision Commission
- Accepted \$4500 Grant from the Connecticut State Library for the purpose of Historical Document Preservation
- Participated in state-wide emergency management drill
- Trained new employees on website use
- Cross-trained Town Hall staff
- Buddy Deutsch is declared Canton's Top Dog for FY2017-2018
- Receipts:
 - Conveyance Tax/Land Records/Maps \$211,672
 - Hunting/Fishing (Sport) Licenses \$ 124
 - Miscellaneous Permits and Licenses \$ 14,231
 - Dog Licenses \$ 1,175
 - Copies \$ 11,630
- Communications: Managed the Town's Facebook, Twitter & Instagram accounts.
 - Website - # of Visits 115,928
 - Facebook Total Reach 280,969
 - Facebook Likes 366
 - Twitter Impressions 182,300
 - Twitter Followers 811

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

The Canton Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) operates under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), our current rating is for 950,000 gallons per day. The WPCF staff operates and maintains the facility, along with 3 sewage-pumping stations and approximately 26 miles of sanitary sewers.

The mission statement of the WPCF is *“To protect our natural resource, the Farmington River and give the community a place to enjoy nature at its best. We shall provide this service to the people of Canton while operating an efficient and economical facility within budget.”*

This past year the facility treated over 207 million gallons of wastewater, equating to an average flow of approximately 535,000 gallons per day. The WPCF consistently achieved advanced treatment as required by the NPDES permit, averaging pollutant removals of 99% for Biochemical Oxygen Demand and 99% for Total Suspended Solids. We continue to receive positive inspection reports from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

The WPCF is staffed by four well trained and experienced personnel including a Superintendent, a Chief Operator, an Operator III and Operator II. Plant personnel are certified and licensed in both treatment plant and collection system operation and maintenance. All four of the personnel are also certified in Laboratory analysis. The operators participate in continuing education to stay abreast of the ever-changing rules, regulations and technology.

The Fats Oil & Grease (FOG) Program continues to make strides in keeping the town’s infrastructure (sewer lines and manholes) clear of fats, oil and grease from Food Preparation Establishments.

The WPCF staff continues to work hard at minimizing the odors generated at the facility. We have seen a remarkable cleanup of our effluent and the process continues to perform well with some nutrient removal in the effluent discharge.

The following projects the Water Pollution Control Facility team recently implemented:

- WPCF computer and software updates for process control and monitoring June 2017
- Sand Filter # 1 retro-fit with slotted pipe & installation of 8 tons of new sand August 2017
- Bearing replacement on the outboard end of 3 Rotating Biological Contactors November 2017
- Secret Lake re-routing work & flow metering February 2018

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The purpose of the Zoning Board of Appeals is: to hear and decide appeals where it is alleged that there is an error in any order, requirement or decision made by the official charged with the enforcement of the Zoning Regulations as adopted under the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes; to hear and decided all matters including special exceptions as may be duly authorized by the Zoning Regulations; and to determine and vary the application of the zoning regulations in harmony with their general purpose and intent and with due consideration for conserving the public health, safety, convenience, welfare and property values solely with respect to a parcel of land where a literal enforcement of the regulations would result in exceptional difficulty or unusual hardship so that substantial justice will be done and the public safety and welfare is secured.

The Zoning Board of Appeals carries out its usual delegated authority through regular monthly meetings with the aid of the Land Use Coordinator and the Assistant Planner/Zoning Enforcement Officer.

The Zoning Board of Appeals held seven (7) regular meetings and zero (0) special meetings. They processed six (6) application for a variance to the Zoning Regulations, three (3) applications for Motor Vehicle Location Approval and zero (0) applications to appeal the decision of the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

The Zoning Board of Appeals has five (5) regular members and three (3) alternate members. The concurring vote of four (4) members is necessary to grant a variance and to overturn an action of the Zoning Enforcement Officer. The Zoning Board of Appeals meets the second Monday of each month at the Library Community Center at 7:30 PM. All meetings are open to the public.

BOARD	P	LAST	FIRST	M	POSITION	EXPIRES
2018 CROCOG Regional Planning Commission		Perry	Lansford		Representative	12/31/2018
2018 CROCOG Regional Planning Commission		Evens	David		Alternate	12/31/2018
Aquifer Protection Agency	U	Huyghebaert	John		Member	6/30/2019
Aquifer Protection Agency	U	Thiesse	Jonathan		Chair	6/30/2019
Aquifer Protection Agency	R	Evens	David	A	Member	6/30/2020
Aquifer Protection Agency	R	Blatchley	Thomas		Alternate	6/30/2020
Aquifer Protection Agency	R	Villa	Katie		Member	6/30/2020
Aquifer Protection Agency	U	Baldwin	Kevin		Member	7/13/2020
Aquifer Protection Agency	U	Rousseau	Roger		Alternate	7/13/2020
Aquifer Protection Agency	R	Pane	Philip		Member	6/30/2021
Aquifer Protection Agency	R	Perry	Lansford	W	Member	6/30/2021
Board of Assessment Appeals	R	Pelehach	Joe			11/17/2019
Board of Assessment Appeals	D	Sinich	David	P		11/17/2019
Board of Assessment Appeals	R	Parlman	Bradley			11/21/2021
Board of Education	D	Berry	Peg			11/17/2019
Board of Education	R	Briggs	David			11/17/2019
Board of Education	D	Scheideler	Joseph			11/17/2019
Board of Education	R	Treacy	Helen			11/17/2019
Board of Education	R	Ausere	Julie		Chair	11/21/2021
Board of Education	R	Bradley	Maria			11/21/2021
Board of Education	D	Cavanaugh	Ana			11/21/2021
Board of Education	R	O'Donnell	Ryan			11/21/2021
Board of Education	D	Powell	Jack			11/21/2021
Board of Ethics	U	Casey	Arthur		Member	6/30/2019
Board of Ethics					Alternate	6/30/2019
Board of Ethics	D	Offenhartz	Edith		Member	6/30/2019
Board of Ethics					Member	6/30/2020
Board of Ethics	D	Ciccarillo	Dennis	G	Member	6/30/2021
Board of Ethics	R	Kubas	David	R	Chair	6/30/2021
Board of Ethics	D	Therrien	Paul		Alternate	6/30/2019
Board of Finance	R	Goldman	Arnold		Member	11/17/2019
Board of Finance	R	Humphrey	Kenneth	S	Member	11/17/2019
Board of Finance	R	Rottkamp	Jennifer		Member	11/17/2019
Board of Finance	D	Tomolonius	Mary	B	Member	11/17/2019
Board of Finance	D	Faulkner	Sarah		Member	11/21/2021
Board of Finance	R	First	Brian	D	Chair	11/21/2021
Board of Selectmen	R	Canny	William		Selectman	11/17/2019
Board of Selectmen	R	Hill	Leslee		First Selectman	11/17/2019
Board of Selectmen	R	Kandryszawtz	Beth		Selectman	11/17/2019
Board of Selectmen	D	Volovski	William		Selectman	11/17/2019
Board of Selectmen	D	Sevigny	Thomas		Selectman	11/17/2019
Building Code Board of Appeals	U	Richardson	Russell, Jr.			N/A
Building Code Board of Appeals		VACANT	VACANT			N/A
Building Code Board of Appeals	R	Whitney	Charles			N/A
Canton Center Historic District Commission	R	Magennis	Gina		Alternate	1/1/2019
Canton Center Historic District Commission	R	Kubas	Evelyn		Alternate	1/1/2019
Canton Center Historic District Commission	D	Burbank	Marianne		Member	1/1/2020
Canton Center Historic District Commission	R	LeGeyt	Timothy		Chair	1/1/2020
Canton Center Historic District Commission		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	1/1/2021
Canton Center Historic District Commission		Schwartz	Kenneth		Member	1/1/2021
Canton Center Historic District Commission	I	Bonelli	Christopher		Alternate	1/1/2022
Canton Center Historic District Commission	I	Lampros	Susan		Member - Secretary	1/1/2022
Canton Housing Authority	R	Lowell	Bette	R	Member	12/31/2018
Canton Housing Authority	R	Erickson	Linea		Member	12/31/2018
Canton Housing Authority	R	Lowell	Arthur		Member	12/31/2019
Canton Housing Authority	D	Spier	Linda	M	Member	12/31/2020
Canton Housing Authority		VACANT	VACANT		Member	12/31/2022
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	D	Clarke	Marjorie		Member	7/1/2018
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	D	Porri	Amelia		Member	7/1/2018
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	U	Matos	Richard		Member	7/1/2018
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	D	Owen	David	A	Co-Chair	7/1/2018
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	D	Donoghue	Nancy	A	Secretary	7/1/2020
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	U	Schott	Beverly		Vice Chair/Acting Chair	7/1/2020
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees		VACANT	VACANT		Member	7/1/2021
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees		VACANT	VACANT		Member	7/1/2021
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	U	Riberdy	Georgia		Non-Voting Member	N/A
Canton Public Library Board of Trustees	R	Okie	Rowena		Member	7/1/2021
Central Regional Tourism District		VACANT	VACANT			N/A

Chief of Fire / EMS		Goeben	Wayne		Chief	12/31/2019
Collinsville Historic District Commission	D	Cancela	Sylvia		Alternate	6/30/2018
Collinsville Historic District Commission	D	Leff	David	K	Member	6/30/2018
Collinsville Historic District Commission		Grant	James		Member	6/30/2019
Collinsville Historic District Commission	D	Jackson	Eric		Member	6/30/2020
Collinsville Historic District Commission	D	Kendra	Walter		Member	6/30/2020
Collinsville Historic District Commission	D	Asaro	Jennifer Barlow		Alternate	6/30/2021
Collinsville Historic District Commission	U	Veillette	Stephen		Chair	6/30/2021
Collinsville Historic District Commission	U	Yagid	Robert		Alternate	6/30/2021
Commission on Aging	R	Murray	Dorothea	E	Secretary	1/1/2019
Commission on Aging	D	Christensen	Mary Ann		Chairperson	1/1/2020
Commission on Aging	D	Wallison	Maureen		Vice Chair	1/1/2020
Commission on Aging		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	1/1/2021
Commission on Aging	U	Hesselbrock	Michie		Member	1/1/2021
Commission on Aging	U	Kluessendorf	Lori		Member	1/1/2021
Commission on Aging	D	Becker	Nancy		Alternate	1/1/2019
Commission on Aging	U	Crawford	Jeremy		Alternate	7/31/2020
Commission on Aging	D	Carney	Donna		Member	1/1/2022
Commission on Aging	U	Erardi	Marylou		Member	1/1/2022
Conservation Commission	I	Traceski	Francis		Member	7/1/2018
Conservation Commission	D	Kaplan	Jay		Member Acting Chair	7/1/2020
Conservation Commission	U	Spatcher Jr	William		Member	6/30/2021
Conservation Commission	D	Kenny	Katie		Member	7/1/2021
Conservation Commission	D	Deutsch	Gail		Member	6/30/2020
Conservation Commission	D	Barton	Hedy		Member	6/30/2021
Conservation Commission	D	Zdanzukas	Cynthia		Member	7/1/2021
Constable	R	Barnhart	Dan			11/21/2019
Constable	R	Berry	Karen	L		11/21/2019
Constable	R	Boyko	Greg			11/21/2019
Constable	D	Hammond	Charles			11/21/2019
Constable	D	Rhea	Carlene			11/21/2019
Constable	D	Sims	Gregory			11/21/2019
Constable	D	Sinisch	Carrie			11/21/2019
CRCOG Representative	R	Hill	Leslee	B		11/17/2019
DECD Central Tourism Representative		VACANT	VACANT			N/A
Economic Development Agency	D	Hunter	Anne		Member	7/1/2020
Economic Development Agency	D	Bessel	Robert		Chair	7/1/2021
Economic Development Agency	R	Permenter	Tyla		Member	7/1/2021
Economic Development Agency	R	Melniczek	Steve		Member	7/1/2021
Economic Development Agency	U	Crawford	Jeremy		Alternate	7/1/2018
Economic Development Agency		VACANT	VACANT		Member	7/1/2018
Economic Development Agency	D	Asklof	Russell		Alternate	7/1/2019
Energy Committee		VACANT	VACANT		Member	4/25/2020
Energy Committee	R	Langlois	Candace		Member	4/25/2020
Energy Committee	U	Madigan	David		Secretary	4/25/2020
Energy Committee	D	Miller	Nancy		Vice Chair	4/25/2020
Energy Committee	D	Namnoum	Bob		Chair	4/25/2020
Energy Committee	U	Quinlan	Mark		Member	4/25/2020
Energy Committee	I	West	Milliege "Guy"		Member	7/13/2020
Farmington River Coordinating Committee	R	Perry	Lansford		Member	N/A
Farmington River Coordinating Committee		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	N/A
Farmington Valley Health District	D	Wishneski	Meghan		Member	1/22/2020
Farmington Valley Health District	R	Hill	Leslee	B	Member	1/22/2020
Fire & EMS Facility Study Committee	R	Asaro	Anthony		Member	2 years
Fire & EMS Facility Study Committee	R	Harmon	Gordon		Member	2 years
Fire & EMS Facility Study Committee	U	Henson	William		Member	2 years
Fire & EMS Facility Study Committee	U	Hutchings	Richard		Member	2 years
Fire & EMS Facility Study Committee	U	Toro	Anthony		Member	2 years
Fire & EMS Facility Study Committee	R	Yacovino	Michael		Member	2 years
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	D	Sinisch	David	P	Member	12/31/2018
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	D	Shepard	David		Chair	12/31/2019
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	D	Porri	William		Alternate	4/27/2020
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	R	Bahre	Robert	H.	Member	12/31/2021
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	U	Rosenfeld	David		Alternate	4/27/2020
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	R	Bombassei	Al		Member	12/31/2019
Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency	D	Henry	Eric		Member	12/31/2021
Juvenile Review Board	R	Brown-Egan	Lee		Member	6/30/2018
Juvenile Review Board	D	Whittingslow	Tracy		Chair	6/30/2019
Juvenile Review Board	U	Conway	Kelly		Member	6/30/2021
Juvenile Review Board	U	Taylor-Huey	Elizabeth		Member	6/30/2021

Juvenile Review Board		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	6/30/2021
Juvenile Review Board	D	Corcoran	Kara		Member	6/30/2019
Juvenile Review Board	D	Spiers	Linda		Alternate	6/30/2021
Municipal Agent for the Elderly		Cote	Claire			3/15/2021
Parks & Recreation Commission	G	Holden	Ben		Member	7/1/2018
Parks & Recreation Commission	R	Eckert	Christopher	D	Member	6/30/2019
Parks & Recreation Commission	R	Jacobs	Todd	Q	Member	7/1/2019
Parks & Recreation Commission	D	Andrews	Rebecca		Chair	9/14/2020
Parks & Recreation Commission	R	Fialkiewicz	Julius		Member	7/1/2021
Parks & Recreation Commission	D	Miller	Brian		Member	7/1/2020
Parks & Recreation Commission	D	Vallo	Elaine		Member	7/1/2021
Pension Committee	R	Chellgren	David		Member	1/1/2019
Pension Committee	U	Crawford	Kristen		Member	1/1/2019
Pension Committee	U	Benedetti	Sergio		Member	1/1/2020
Pension Committee	D	Britt	John		Member	1/1/2020
Pension Committee	U	Daley	Diane		Member	1/1/2021
Permanent Municipal Building Committee	R	Berry	Karen	L	Member	7/1/2018
Permanent Municipal Building Committee	D	Reynolds	Peter		Chair	7/1/2018
Permanent Municipal Building Committee	D	Dymicki	Ronald	L	Member	7/1/2020
Permanent Municipal Building Committee	U	Madigan	David		Member	7/1/2020
Plainville Area Cable Television Advisory Council	D	Boorjian	Diana	D	Vice Chair	6/30/2019
Plainville Area Cable Television Advisory Council	D	Newman	Anthony		Member	6/30/2019
Planning & Zoning Commission	U	Huyghebaert	John		Member	6/30/2019
Planning & Zoning Commission	U	Thiesse	Jonathan		Chair	6/30/2019
Planning & Zoning Commission	R	Evens	David	A	Member	6/30/2020
Planning & Zoning Commission	R	Blatchley	Thomas		Alternate	6/30/2020
Planning & Zoning Commission	R	Villa	Katie		Member	6/30/2020
Planning & Zoning Commission	U	Baldwin	Kevin		Member	7/13/2020
Planning & Zoning Commission	U	Rousseau	Roger		Alternate	7/13/2020
Planning & Zoning Commission	R	Pane	Philip		Member	6/30/2021
Planning & Zoning Commission	R	Perry	Lansford	W	Member	6/30/2021
Planning & Zoning Commission		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	6/30/2021
PMBC - PW Garage Project	D	Biega	Gregory "David"		Member	N/A
PMBC - PW Garage Project	U	Bradley	Robert		Member	N/A
PMBC - PW Garage Project	R	Celmer	Robert		Member	N/A
PMBC - PW Garage Project	D	Tarinelli	Donald		Member	N/A
Poet Laureate		Hofmann	Joan			N/A
Registrar of Voters	D	Homan	Lynn			1/6/2021
Registrar of Voters	R	Miner	John (Jack)	R		1/6/2021
Registrar of Voters	R	Contrastano	Rich		Deputy	elected
Registrar of Voters	D	Golfin	Margaret		Deputy	elected
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	U	Barlow	Richard		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	U	Byko	Kathleen		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	R	Humphrey	Warren		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	R	LeGeyt	Timothy		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	D	Ouellette	Nicholas		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	D	Rhea	Carlene		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	D	Sevigny	Thomas		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	D	Smith	Linda		Member	N/A
Temporary Charter Revision Commission	U	Weiner	Alan		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	U	Hoppi	Pamela		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	I	Traceski	Francis		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	D	Welcome	Christine		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	I	Yost	Sandra		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	D	Saidel	Susan		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	D	Storey	Carol		Member	N/A
Temporary Senior/Social Services Strategic Planning Committee	I	Hesselbrock	Michie		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	R	Bahre	Robert		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	R	Bates	Jonathan		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	I	Beck	David		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	I	Bondanza	David		Member	N/A

Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	D	Gale	Robert		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	R	Gotaski	Thomas		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	I	Malentacchi	John		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	R	Ohanesion	Richard		Member	N/A
Temporary Fire/EMS Study Committee	I	Toro	Anthony		Member	N/A
TIF Committee - Temporary	R	Permenter	Tyla			9/2/2016
Town Historian		Leff	David	K.		N/A
Town Historian Deputy		VACANT	VACANT			N/A
Town Meeting Moderator	D	Leff	David	K.		1/1/2020
Town Meeting Moderator	R	Pane	Lorinda	M	Alternate	1/1/2020
Town Meeting Moderator		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	1/1/2020
Town Meeting Moderator		VACANT	VACANT		Alternate	1/1/2020
Water Pollution Control Authority	D	Balavender	Paul	T	Member	7/1/2018
Water Pollution Control Authority	D	Greacen	Stuart		Co-Chair	6/30/2021
Water Pollution Control Authority	D	Suttmiller	Robert		Chair	7/1/2021
Water Pollution Control Authority	D	Mauger	Art		Member	6/30/2020
Water Pollution Control Authority	R	Olson	Christopher		Member	6/30/2021
Wild and Scenic River Study Committee	R	Antonucci	Mayan		Member	N/A
Wild and Scenic River Study Committee		VACANT	VACANT		Member	N/A
Youth Services Bureau	D	Meheran	Laura		Member	7/1/2018
Youth Services Bureau		VACANT	VACANT		Member	7/1/2022
Youth Services Bureau	D	Saidel	Sue	E	Chair	7/1/2018
Youth Services Bureau	D	Barger	Glenn		Member	7/1/2021
Youth Services Bureau	R	Fillian	Karen		Member	7/1/2021
Youth Services Bureau	R	Keefe	Matt		Member	7/1/2021
Youth Services Bureau	I	Skinner	Maria		Member	7/1/2018
Zoning Board of Appeals	R	Adajian	Gary		Member	1/3/2019
Zoning Board of Appeals	U	Brainard	Robert, Jr.		Chair	1/3/2019
Zoning Board of Appeals	R	Kerr	Christopher	W	Member	1/3/2020
Zoning Board of Appeals	R	Dotson	Guerry		Member	6/30/2020
Zoning Board of Appeals	U	Olson	Patrice		Alternate	1/3/2021
Zoning Board of Appeals	R	Celmer	Robert		Alternate	1/3/2019
Zoning Board of Appeals	D	Kinosh	Stephen		Alternate	1/1/2020
Zoning Board of Appeals	R	Rucci	Lucien		Member	6/30/2020