

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at the Senior Center, 14 Riverside Road. First Selectman Llodra called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

PRESENT: First Selectman Llodra, Selectman William F.L. Rodgers, Selectman Herbert C. Rosenthal.

ALSO PRESENT: John Bocuzzi, Sr., Social Service Director Ann LoBosco, WCSU Intern John Board, seven members of the public and two members of the press.

VOTER COMMENTS: none.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Selectman Rodgers moved to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of 12/19/16. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS: The executive session that was added to the meeting of December 5, 2016 was an incorrect motion. The motion should've specified the content of the communication and should've stated 'executive session based on confidential communication from the Town Attorney to discuss financial matters relative to a lessee.' First Selectman Llodra explained she has been communicating with Bill Monti, of the Woodbury Board of Finance, relative to inequities in ECS funding (att.). Mr. Monti has found that a number of towns, Newtown included, receive less than 50% of qualified funding, while other towns receive in excess of 100%. Mr. Monti would like the towns identified as receiving less than 50% to come together to speak out. First Selectman Llodra noted that the Superintendent of Schools will be having a conference call on this subject also.

FINANCE DIRECTORS REPORT: none.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion and possible action:

1. **Land Donation – property of former St. John's Episcopal Church:** First Selectman Llodra sent a letter to the Bishop asking if there was any discussion between the church and the donor of the Rock of Angels memorial or if the church had a particular position regarding the disposition of the memorial. First Selectman Llodra has notified the Permanent Memorial Commission of the donation offer of land/memorial (att.)

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and possible action:

1. **Age Friendly Community:** Mr. Bocuzzi, Sr. stated this needs to be a coordinated effort between the Friends of Newtown Seniors, the Commission on Aging and Social Services. Some exploratory committees have been formed, one particular to transportation. The town obligation is to support the initiative; many of the town planning, such as the sidewalk plan and the community center is already indicative of support. The Friends of Newtown Seniors will be the lead group of the initiative. This initiative does not bring on new liability, it brings a coordinated effort. First Selectman Llodra will bring the application to the next meeting to review the eight domains in more detail. Selectman Rosenthal said that much of this initiative is good for everybody, not just the seniors.
2. **Final Report, WCSU Intern – John Board:** Mr. Board introduced himself with an overview of how he began his internship with the town and spoke the board about his sustainability initiative (att.) which includes plastic bag reduction methods and a City of Compassion initiative. There's more that the community can do to be more proactive in the area of plastic bag reduction. Housatonic Resources Recovery Authority (HRRRA) has been discussing this topic also.

3. **Amend CIP (2016-17 to 2020-12):** The money in the town sidewalk program (2016 CIP) is sufficient to meet our 20% accountability for the Main Street/Glover project. In order to close on the Paproski-Castle Hill Farm property the town has to identify a stable funding source. Selectman Rodgers moved to amend the 2016-17 to 2020-21 CIP by decreasing the Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan by \$200,000 and increasing the Open Space Acquisition Program by \$200,000 (att.). Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor. First Selectman Llodra noted that reductions could be made on the 2017 CIP request because the Board of Education has decided against closing a school, meaning less money is needed to evaluate a location for the police station as the Middle School is no longer an option. The Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan can be reduced because a TAP grant was received for the Hawleyville project. The Open Space Acquisition program can be reduced because of this action to amend the current CIP.
4. **Appointments/Reappointments/vacancies/openings:** Selectman Rodgers moved the re-appointments of Michael Murphy (U), Thomas Catalina (R) and Rick Matschke (R) to the Public Building & Site Commission for terms to expire on 1/6/21 and the re-appointment of Robert Mouchantat (D) to the Lake Zoar Authority for a term to expire 1/6/20. Selectman Rosenthal seconded. All in favor.
5. **Driveway Bond Release/Extension:** Selectman Rosenthal moved to release the driveway bond for Mastroni Development, LLC, 7 Anthony Ridge Road, M25, B1, L3-6 in the amount of \$1,000. Selectman Rodgers seconded. All in favor.
6. **Tax Refunds:** none.

VOTER COMMENTS: none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: none

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting at 8:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Marcinek, Clerk

Attachments: email communication with W. Monti; J. Board presentation; amended CIP timeline; 2016 CIP; 2017 CIP



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ECS Holdback announcement

1 message

William Monti

Sat, Dec 31, 2016 at 2:03 PM

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Dear fellow representatives of ECS underfunded towns,

Again I write as an individual member of the Woodbury Board of Finance regarding the perpetuation of the inequity that was perpetrated on our towns four years ago. I speak of the ECS "holdbacks" recently announced by Mr. Barnes of OPM.

Even if one accepts that a rational formula was applied in assessing the holdbacks, it must be acknowledged that the starting point for the holdbacks, i.e., the 2017 ECS grants were unfair and irrational to start. For example, Farmington and Stonington were arbitrarily awarded an extra \$300,000 beyond what they should have received for 2016-17; New Britain and Hamden each received a \$200,000 bonus; Madison was gifted an extra \$116,000 arbitrarily and surreptitiously added at the end of its ECS calculation. (Each of these towns is represented on the Appropriations Committee that determines the grants.) That's \$1.1 million that OPM should have "held back" off the top.

Additionally, as we all know, there are more than 50 towns that currently receive over 100% of their ECS "fully funded grant", i.e., *demonstrated need*, while at the same time our 18 towns receive less than 57% of their fully funded grants. And yet, having been treated differently and unfairly by the legislature in the *awarding* of ECS grants, we are now told by OPM that we will be treated evenly in the *takeback* of that money.

If you don't see the unfairness here, consider just one comparison: Canterbury received a 2016-17 grant of \$4,691,736 which is **115%** of its "fully funded grant" of \$4,085,382. Its holdback will be \$26,128 (0.6%), leaving it with \$4,665,608. still an obese **114%** of its fully funded grant. Woodbury received a 2016-17 grant of \$1,341,249 which is just **41%** of its "fully funded grant" of \$3,242,598. Its holdback will be \$64,438 (4.8%), leaving it with \$1,276,811, or an anemic **39.4%** of its fully funded grant.

The taxpayers of our towns continue to subsidize the budgets of other towns because of the inequity imposed by the arbitrary actions of the legislature and now the failure of the executive branch to address that inequity in determining its holdbacks. If those holdbacks are implemented, four more towns will join our lowly ranks. To be fair, the holdbacks do reduce to 26 the number of towns that receive in excess of their fully funded grants, but that doesn't really help us below 57% funded. (see attached chart) It may, however, be seen as a glimmer of hope, a step toward the phase-in plan put forth by Woodbury that would bring us all to equity.

There is and has been a rational ECS grant formula in place for the past four years, but it has been violated by the legislature and ignored by the administration. I hope that *both* the legislature and the administration will in their next biennial budget arrive at an equitable application of that ECS grant formula so that every town receives its fair share.

Sincerely,

Bill Monti
Member, Woodbury Board of Finance



Holdback comparison 12.28.16.xlsx
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Grantee	ECS Grant FY 16-17	Fully Funded Entitlement OFA 2016-17	% of full Entitlement FY 16-17	Holdback %	Holdback amount	2017 grant result	% of fully funded grant
Greenwich	\$1,444,752	\$1,045,745	138%	0.905	\$1,307,500	\$137,251	13%
Salisbury	\$60,176	\$43,557	138%	0.819	\$49,284	\$10,892	25%
Sharon	\$42,103	\$30,475	138%	0.763	\$32,124	\$9,978	33%
Woodbury	\$1,341,249	\$3,242,598	41%	0.048	\$64,380	\$1,276,869	39%
Cornwall	\$23,499	\$17,009	138%	0.703	\$16,520	\$6,979	41%
Branford	\$2,414,858	\$5,364,475	45%	0.084	\$202,848	\$2,212,010	41%
Southbury	\$3,588,158	\$8,190,110	44%	0.036	\$129,174	\$3,458,984	42%
Rocky Hill	\$4,374,933	\$9,982,216	44%	0.029	\$126,873	\$4,248,060	43%
Trumbull	\$3,685,193	\$7,831,723	47%	0.072	\$265,334	\$3,419,860	44%
Shelton	\$6,168,811	\$13,418,527	46%	0.045	\$277,596	\$5,891,214	44%
Newtown	\$5,080,129	\$10,739,412	47%	0.037	\$187,965	\$4,892,164	46%
Chester	\$687,975	\$1,436,078	48%	0.042	\$28,895	\$659,080	46%
Middlebury	\$909,440	\$1,843,444	49%	0.06	\$54,566	\$854,874	46%
Simsbury	\$6,233,528	\$12,768,177	49%	0.023	\$143,371	\$6,090,157	48%
North Haven	\$4,003,587	\$8,032,098	50%	0.04	\$160,143	\$3,843,444	48%
Haddam	\$2,024,534	\$4,104,026	49%	0.026	\$52,638	\$1,971,897	48%
Wethersfield	\$9,500,934	\$19,303,196	49%	0.016	\$152,015	\$9,348,919	48%
Danbury	\$31,540,480	\$61,498,434	51%	0.008	\$252,324	\$31,288,156	51%
Glastonbury	\$6,886,489	\$13,063,392	53%	0.034	\$234,141	\$6,652,348	51%
Stamford	\$11,053,759	\$20,582,083	54%	0.023	\$254,236	\$10,799,523	52%
Cromwell	\$4,731,024	\$8,710,366	54%	0.018	\$85,158	\$4,645,866	53%
East Granby	\$1,474,351	\$2,674,254	55%	0.023	\$33,910	\$1,440,441	54%
West Hartford	\$21,362,490	\$37,057,032	58%	0.019	\$405,887	\$20,956,602	57%
Stratford	\$21,711,782	\$37,124,520	58%	0.012	\$260,541	\$21,451,240	58%
Middletown	\$19,762,242	\$32,876,054	60%	0.012	\$237,147	\$19,525,095	59%
Hamden	\$27,195,481	\$45,085,761	60%	0.009	\$244,759	\$26,950,722	60%
Cheshire	\$9,616,302	\$15,715,952	61%	0.0198	\$190,403	\$9,425,899	60%
Bloomfield	\$6,288,100	\$10,080,851	62%	0.02	\$125,762	\$6,162,338	61%
Derby	\$7,961,506	\$12,568,159	63%	0.007	\$55,731	\$7,905,776	63%
Suffield	\$6,313,558	\$9,815,528	64%	0.015	\$94,703	\$6,218,854	63%

Newington	\$13,160,262	\$20,328,059	65%	0.013	\$171,083	\$12,989,179	64%	
Southington	\$20,518,059	\$30,423,544	67%	0.012	\$246,217	\$20,271,842	67%	
Portland	\$4,418,025	\$6,521,820	68%	0.012	\$53,016	\$4,365,009	67%	
Granby	\$5,575,647	\$8,198,006	68%	0.012	\$66,908	\$5,508,739	67%	
Manchester	\$34,690,424	\$51,040,015	68%	0.007	\$242,833	\$34,447,591	67%	
Orange	\$1,615,314	\$2,228,021	72%	0.066	\$106,611	\$1,508,703	58%	
Canton	\$3,471,050	\$4,931,475	70%	0.019	\$65,950	\$3,405,100	69%	
Kent	\$51,265	\$37,107	138%	0.5	\$25,633	\$25,633	69%	
New Canaan	\$678,845	\$491,364	138%	0.5	\$339,423	\$339,423	69%	
Waterbury	\$133,856,066	\$192,973,086	69%	0.002	\$267,712	\$133,588,354	69%	
Brookfield	\$1,543,878	\$2,019,273	76%	0.082	\$126,598	\$1,417,280	70%	
Westport	\$909,281	\$658,159	138%	0.488	\$443,729	\$465,552	71%	
Burlington	\$4,417,339	\$6,134,632	72%	0.013	\$57,425	\$4,359,914	71%	
Washington	\$98,425	\$71,242	138%	0.485	\$47,736	\$50,689	71%	
New Britain	\$86,445,269	\$119,994,478	72%	0.003	\$259,336	\$86,185,933	72%	
Berlin	\$6,349,636	\$8,650,768	73%	0.021	\$133,342	\$6,216,294	72%	
East Hartford	\$49,315,667	\$68,257,323	72%	0.005	\$246,578	\$49,069,088	72%	
Roxbury	\$64,463	\$46,660	138%	0.479	\$30,878	\$33,585	72%	
Union	\$242,658	\$329,339	74%	0.023	\$5,581	\$237,076	72%	
Torrington	\$24,656,637	\$33,824,505	73%	0.007	\$172,596	\$24,484,041	72%	
Darien	\$775,533	\$561,349	138%	0.476	\$369,154	\$406,379	72%	
Woodbridge	\$723,232	\$901,264	80%	0.093	\$67,261	\$655,971	73%	
Seymour	\$10,128,492	\$13,781,590	73%	0.009	\$91,156	\$10,037,336	73%	
Ansonia	\$16,558,270	\$22,612,066	73%	0.005	\$82,791	\$16,475,478	73%	
Ellington	\$9,772,899	\$13,257,089	74%	0.009	\$87,956	\$9,684,943	73%	
Barkhamsted	\$1,656,181	\$2,227,855	74%	0.014	\$23,187	\$1,632,994	73%	
Windsor Locks	\$5,248,411	\$7,047,332	74%	0.015	\$78,726	\$5,169,685	73%	
Marlborough	\$3,192,293	\$4,276,245	75%	0.012	\$38,308	\$3,153,985	74%	
Vernon	\$19,391,204	\$26,016,152	75%	0.007	\$135,738	\$19,255,466	74%	
Norwalk	\$11,493,340	\$15,180,788	76%	0.022	\$252,853	\$11,240,486	74%	
Plainville	\$10,368,696	\$13,864,319	75%	0.009	\$93,318	\$10,275,378	74%	
West Haven	\$45,390,487	\$60,673,848	75%	0.006	\$272,343	\$45,118,144	74%	
Westbrook	\$130,117	\$94,182	138%	0.459	\$59,724	\$70,394	75%	
Old Saybrook	\$225,880	\$163,497	138%	0.456	\$103,001	\$122,879	75%	
Bethel	\$8,207,181	\$10,739,719	76%	0.015	\$123,108	\$8,084,073	75%	

Enfield	\$28,811,133	\$37,764,565	76%	0.008	\$230,489	\$28,580,644	76%		
Bristol	\$45,103,676	\$59,231,545	76%	0.006	\$270,622	\$44,833,054	76%		
Somers	\$5,988,583	\$7,734,576	77%	0.01	\$59,886	\$5,928,697	77%		
Watertown	\$11,876,270	\$15,312,198	78%	0.01	\$118,763	\$11,757,508	77%		
Sprague	\$2,626,404	\$3,390,147	77%	0.005	\$13,132	\$2,613,272	77%		
Bozrah	\$1,238,845	\$1,583,790	78%	0.012	\$14,866	\$1,223,979	77%		
New London	\$25,928,509	\$33,257,051	78%	0.005	\$129,643	\$25,798,866	78%		
Windham	\$26,681,944	\$34,126,090	78%	0.004	\$106,728	\$26,575,216	78%		
Bethany	\$2,035,903	\$2,565,762	79%	0.018	\$36,646	\$1,999,257	78%		
Montville	\$12,688,713	\$16,144,902	79%	0.008	\$101,510	\$12,587,204	78%		
Norwich	\$36,395,079	\$46,426,340	78%	0.005	\$181,975	\$36,213,104	78%		
Bridgewater	\$40,734	\$29,484	138%	0.435	\$17,719	\$23,015	78%		
Windsor	\$12,311,652	\$15,458,369	80%	0.015	\$184,675	\$12,126,977	78%		
Sterling	\$3,214,712	\$4,064,610	79%	0.006	\$19,288	\$3,195,424	79%		
Meriden	\$60,508,395	\$76,124,235	79%	0.004	\$242,034	\$60,266,361	79%		
Sherman	\$80,962	\$58,602	138%	0.424	\$34,328	\$46,634	80%		
New Fairfield	\$4,433,622	\$5,452,106	81%	0.021	\$93,106	\$4,340,516	80%		
East Haven	\$19,740,645	\$24,497,858	81%	0.007	\$138,185	\$19,602,461	80%		
Deep River	\$1,704,633	\$2,088,227	82%	0.017	\$28,979	\$1,675,654	80%		
Bridgeport	\$181,355,390	\$224,410,246	81%	0.001	\$181,355	\$181,174,035	81%		
Griswold	\$10,832,910	\$13,330,365	81%	0.005	\$54,165	\$10,778,745	81%		
New Hartford	\$3,155,693	\$3,847,659	82%	0.013	\$41,024	\$3,114,669	81%		
South Windsor	\$12,986,098	\$15,746,619	82%	0.012	\$155,833	\$12,830,265	81%		
Middlefield	\$2,125,151	\$2,559,336	83%	0.012	\$25,502	\$2,099,649	82%		
Prospect	\$5,354,202	\$6,394,373	84%	0.011	\$58,896	\$5,295,306	83%		
Beacon Falls	\$4,100,716	\$4,892,491	84%	0.008	\$32,806	\$4,067,910	83%		
Naugatuck	\$30,424,755	\$36,370,426	84%	0.005	\$152,124	\$30,272,631	83%		
Litchfield	\$1,505,144	\$1,734,562	87%	0.039	\$58,701	\$1,446,444	83%		
Brooklyn	\$7,016,739	\$8,346,869	84%	0.006	\$42,100	\$6,974,638	84%		
Monroe	\$6,529,484	\$7,610,270	86%	0.021	\$137,119	\$6,392,365	84%		
Wallingford	\$21,578,288	\$25,162,476	86%	0.013	\$280,518	\$21,297,770	85%		
East Hampton	\$7,613,630	\$8,857,102	86%	0.01	\$76,136	\$7,537,493	85%		
Columbia	\$2,555,501	\$2,961,115	86%	0.013	\$33,222	\$2,522,279	85%		
Plymouth	\$9,820,785	\$11,451,084	86%	0.006	\$58,925	\$9,761,861	85%		
New Milford	\$12,009,780	\$13,841,020	87%	0.015	\$180,147	\$11,829,633	85%		

East Haddam	\$3,741,603	\$4,295,788	87%	0.015	\$56,124	\$3,685,479	86%
Plainfield	\$15,436,567	\$17,686,711	87%	0.005	\$77,183	\$15,359,385	87%
Ledyard	\$12,056,245	\$13,784,997	87%	0.007	\$84,394	\$11,971,852	87%
Thomaston	\$5,665,106	\$6,412,176	88%	0.007	\$39,656	\$5,625,451	88%
Hartford	\$200,768,244	\$228,465,417	88%	0.001	\$200,768	\$200,567,476	88%
Harwinton	\$2,743,247	\$3,076,981	89%	0.013	\$35,662	\$2,707,584	88%
New Haven	\$154,551,977	\$171,765,368	90%	0.02	\$3,091,040	\$151,460,937	88%
Bolton	\$3,012,407	\$3,366,745	89%	0.01	\$30,124	\$2,982,283	89%
Mansfield	\$10,053,269	\$11,191,731	90%	0.011	\$110,586	\$9,942,683	89%
Hebron	\$6,928,703	\$7,710,404	90%	0.008	\$55,430	\$6,873,274	89%
East Windsor	\$5,733,980	\$6,358,455	90%	0.011	\$63,074	\$5,670,906	89%
Norfolk	\$39,910	\$28,888	138%	0.353	\$14,088	\$25,822	89%
Putnam	\$8,386,282	\$9,290,720	90%	0.005	\$41,931	\$8,344,350	90%
Essex	\$160,658	\$116,288	138%	0.346	\$55,588	\$105,070	90%
Fairfield	\$1,657,963	\$1,200,072	138%	0.344	\$570,339	\$1,087,624	91%
Tolland	\$10,784,974	\$11,795,413	91%	0.008	\$86,280	\$10,698,694	91%
Waterford	\$488,299	\$353,442	138%	0.342	\$166,998	\$321,301	91%
Stafford	\$9,849,733	\$10,756,803	92%	0.006	\$59,098	\$9,790,635	91%
North Branford	\$8,161,138	\$8,838,403	92%	0.01	\$81,611	\$8,079,527	91%
Winchester	\$8,080,090	\$8,774,306	92%	0.007	\$56,561	\$8,023,530	91%
Andover	\$2,349,231	\$2,539,014	93%	0.008	\$18,794	\$2,330,437	92%
Woodstock	\$5,401,847	\$5,827,682	93%	0.008	\$43,215	\$5,358,632	92%
Killingly	\$15,662,125	\$16,914,311	93%	0.006	\$93,973	\$15,568,152	92%
Colchester	\$13,591,055	\$14,651,896	93%	0.006	\$81,546	\$13,509,508	92%
Preston	\$3,038,825	\$3,246,147	94%	0.009	\$27,349	\$3,011,476	93%
Warren	\$49,407	\$35,762	138%	0.328	\$16,206	\$33,202	93%
East Lyme	\$7,044,106	\$7,339,301	96%	0.018	\$126,794	\$6,917,312	94%
Redding	\$263,834	\$190,969	138%	0.317	\$83,635	\$180,198	94%
Willington	\$3,669,422	\$3,839,014	96%	0.009	\$33,025	\$3,636,397	95%
Oxford	\$4,615,831	\$4,775,898	97%	0.019	\$87,701	\$4,528,130	95%
Weston	\$381,480	\$276,124	138%	0.309	\$117,877	\$263,603	95%
Wilton	\$665,382	\$481,619	138%	0.304	\$202,276	\$463,106	96%
Coventry	\$8,824,378	\$9,079,670	97%	0.008	\$70,595	\$8,753,783	96%
Wolcott	\$13,516,067	\$13,715,766	99%	0.007	\$94,612	\$13,421,455	98%
Ridgefield	\$805,748	\$583,219	138%	0.291	\$234,473	\$571,275	98%

Milford	\$11,231,850	\$10,965,256	102%	0.034	\$381,883	\$10,849,967	99%
Killingworth	\$2,215,622	\$2,193,028	101%	0.019	\$42,097	\$2,173,525	99%
Pomfret	\$3,095,257	\$3,097,199	100%	0.007	\$21,667	\$3,073,591	99%
Chaplin	\$1,868,810	\$1,865,187	100%	0.006	\$11,213	\$1,857,597	100%
Lyme	\$87,495	\$63,331	138%	0.279	\$24,411	\$63,084	100%
Easton	\$245,181	\$177,468	138%	0.274	\$67,180	\$178,002	100%
Franklin	\$935,740	\$909,829	103%	0.013	\$12,165	\$923,576	102%
Durham	\$3,940,885	\$3,816,179	103%	0.012	\$47,291	\$3,893,595	102%
Bethlehem	\$1,301,953	\$1,240,379	105%	0.018	\$23,435	\$1,278,517	103%
Thompson	\$7,580,992	\$7,303,578	104%	0.006	\$45,486	\$7,535,506	103%
Scotland	\$1,431,548	\$1,372,497	104%	0.006	\$8,589	\$1,422,959	104%
Goshen	\$108,626	\$78,626	138%	0.245	\$26,613	\$82,013	104%
Old Lyme	\$324,567	\$234,929	138%	0.238	\$77,247	\$247,320	105%
Lebanon	\$5,451,755	\$5,128,904	106%	0.008	\$43,614	\$5,408,141	105%
Colebrook	\$501,314	\$459,052	109%	0.02	\$10,026	\$491,288	107%
North Stonington	\$2,868,240	\$2,645,487	108%	0.012	\$34,419	\$2,833,821	107%
Salem	\$3,073,181	\$2,816,568	109%	0.008	\$24,585	\$3,048,596	108%
Ashford	\$3,881,522	\$3,524,860	110%	0.006	\$23,289	\$3,858,233	109%
North Canaan	\$2,064,227	\$1,796,250	115%	0.01	\$20,642	\$2,043,585	114%
Voluntown	\$2,516,563	\$2,196,954	115%	0.006	\$15,099	\$2,501,464	114%
Canterbury	\$4,691,736	\$4,085,382	115%	0.006	\$28,150	\$4,663,586	114%
Avon	\$872,247	\$631,353	138%	0.161	\$140,432	\$731,816	116%
Morris	\$120,267	\$87,052	138%	0.15	\$18,040	\$102,227	117%
Groton (Town of)	\$25,287,526	\$21,207,527	119%	0.01	\$252,875	\$25,034,651	118%
Hampton	\$1,322,272	\$1,055,619	125%	0.007	\$9,256	\$1,313,016	124%
Hartland	\$1,340,757	\$1,057,801	127%	0.01	\$13,408	\$1,327,350	125%
Eastford	\$1,102,128	\$868,150	127%	0.009	\$9,919	\$1,092,209	126%
Madison	\$605,620	\$353,892	171%	0.263	\$159,278	\$446,342	126%
Clinton	\$6,416,984	\$4,984,274	129%	0.014	\$89,838	\$6,327,146	127%
Guilford	\$2,912,239	\$2,107,946	138%	0.059	\$171,822	\$2,740,417	130%
Canaan	\$186,637	\$135,092	138%	0.05	\$9,332	\$177,305	131%
Lisbon	\$3,544,878	\$2,565,865	138%	0.007	\$24,814	\$3,520,064	137%
Stonington	\$1,792,984	\$1,081,353	166%	0.08	\$143,439	\$1,649,545	153%
Farmington	\$1,289,833	\$717,161	180%	0.151	\$194,765	\$1,095,068	153%

\$	2,037,587,100	\$2,637,217,421	\$2,014,747,290
	still <57% (18)	new <57% (4)	from >100% to 57-100% (25)
			still >100%(28)
			still 57-100 (94)



Pat Llodra <pat.llodra@newtown-ct.gov>

ECS Proposal

1 message

William Monti

Thu, Dec 15, 2016 at 11:42 AM

To: "pat.llodra@newtown-ct.gov" <pat.llodra@newtown-ct.gov>

Dear First Selectman Llodra,

I am writing as an individual member of the Woodbury, CT Board of Finance.

This year, although the legislature made strides toward equity in ECS funding, 56 towns continued to receive more than 100% of their full formulaic entitlement, and 20 towns received less than 60% of theirs.

Two of those 20 towns were Woodbury and Newtown which for the past four years have received far less than their full ECS entitlements. As a result, taxpayers in our towns have literally subsidized the budgets of overfunded towns.

As if to add insult to injury, the towns of Farmington, Madison, Stonington, Hamden, and New Britain were in 2016-17 surreptitiously awarded over a million dollars for no apparent reason, bringing the former three to 180%, 171%, and 166% of their full entitlement.

Recently the Woodbury Boards of Finance and Selectmen proposed that no town receive more than 100% or less than 50% of its formulaic ECS entitlement in the coming fiscal year. A chart for achieving such a range by redistribution of current funds *without adding new dollars* is attached.

Perhaps you and the town you represent will consider joining the effort to press the legislature to devise in the next two year cycle an ECS grant schedule that adopts the range suggested in the chart in year one, and moves in the second year to funding of every town's formulaic ECS entitlement *proportional to the state's funding of the entire program*. Currently that level is 77%.

Sincerely,

Bill Monti
65 Woodbury Hill
Woodbury, CT 06798

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2 attachments



1 a OFA 57% - 100%.xlsx
21K



PACKAGE INFO 50-100 ECS 8-18-16.pdf
328K

1 a OFA 57% - 100% - Sim AD HH

*Figures based on 2016-17 OFA data.

**57 - 100%
ECS Range***

Town Name	Fully Funded Grant	FY 17 ECS	Percent Funded	Under Funding	Over Funding	57%	to get to 57%	CoG
Woodbury	\$3,242,598	\$1,341,249	41.4%	\$1,901,349	0	\$1,848,281	\$507,032	CoG
Southbury	\$8,190,110	\$3,588,158	43.8%	\$4,601,952	0	\$4,668,363	\$1,080,205	CoG
Rocky Hill	\$9,982,216	\$4,374,933	43.8%	\$5,607,283	0	\$5,689,863	\$1,314,930	
Branford	\$5,364,475	\$2,414,858	45.0%	\$2,949,617	0	\$3,057,751	\$642,893	
Shelton	\$13,418,527	\$6,168,811	46.0%	\$7,249,716	0	\$7,648,560	\$1,479,749	CoG
Trumbull	\$7,831,723	\$3,685,193	47.1%	\$4,146,530	0	\$4,464,082	\$778,889	
Newtown	\$10,739,412	\$5,080,129	47.3%	\$5,659,283	0	\$6,121,465	\$1,041,336	
Chester	\$1,436,078	\$687,975	47.9%	\$748,103	0	\$818,564	\$130,590	
Simsbury	\$12,768,177	\$6,233,528	48.8%	\$6,534,649	0	\$7,277,861	\$1,044,333	
Wethersfield	\$19,303,196	\$9,500,934	49.2%	\$9,802,262	0	\$11,002,822	\$1,501,888	
Haddam	\$4,104,026	\$2,024,534	49.3%	\$2,079,492	0	\$2,339,295	\$314,760	
Middlebury	\$1,843,444	\$909,440	49.3%	\$934,004	0	\$1,050,763	\$141,323	CoG
North Haven	\$8,032,098	\$4,003,587	49.8%	\$4,028,511	0	\$4,578,296	\$574,708	
Danbury	\$61,498,434	\$31,540,480	51.3%	\$29,957,954	0	\$35,054,107	\$3,513,627	
Glastonbury	\$13,063,392	\$6,886,489	52.7%	\$6,176,903	0	\$7,446,133	\$559,645	
Stamford	\$20,582,083	\$11,053,759	53.7%	\$9,528,324	0	\$11,731,787	\$678,028	
Cromwell	\$8,710,366	\$4,731,024	54.3%	\$3,979,342	0	\$4,964,909	\$233,885	
East Granby	\$2,674,254	\$1,474,351	55.1%	\$1,199,903	0	\$1,524,325	\$49,974	
\$15,587,794								
* All towns between 57% and 100% remain status quo for 2017-18.								
Chaplin	\$1,865,187	\$1,868,810	100.2%	0	\$3,623	\$1,865,187	to get to 100% -\$3,623	
Killingworth	\$2,193,028	\$2,215,622	101.0%	0	\$22,594	\$2,193,028	-\$22,594	
Milford	\$10,965,256	\$11,231,850	102.4%	0	\$266,594	\$10,965,256	-\$266,594	
Franklin	\$909,829	\$935,740	102.8%	0	\$25,911	\$909,829	-\$25,911	
Durham	\$3,816,179	\$3,940,885	103.3%	0	\$124,706	\$3,816,179	-\$124,706	
Thompson	\$7,303,578	\$7,580,992	103.8%	0	\$277,414	\$7,303,578	-\$277,414	
Scotland	\$1,372,497	\$1,431,548	104.3%	0	\$59,051	\$1,372,497	-\$59,051	
Bethlehem	\$1,240,379	\$1,301,953	105.0%	0	\$61,574	\$1,240,379	-\$61,574	CoG
Lebanon	\$5,128,904	\$5,451,755	106.3%	0	\$322,851	\$5,128,904	-\$322,851	

1 a OFA 57% - 100% - Sim AD HH

North Stonington	\$2,645,487	\$2,868,240	108.4%	0	\$222,753	\$2,645,487	-\$222,753
Salem	\$2,816,568	\$3,073,181	109.1%	0	\$256,613	\$2,816,568	-\$256,613
Colebrook	\$459,052	\$501,314	109.2%	0	\$42,262	\$459,052	-\$42,262
Ashford	\$3,524,860	\$3,881,522	110.1%	0	\$356,662	\$3,524,860	-\$356,662
Voluntown	\$2,196,954	\$2,516,563	114.5%	0	\$319,609	\$2,196,954	-\$319,609
Canterbury	\$4,085,382	\$4,691,736	114.8%	0	\$606,354	\$4,085,382	-\$606,354
North Canaan	\$1,796,250	\$2,064,227	114.9%	0	\$267,977	\$1,796,250	-\$267,977
Groton	\$21,207,527	\$25,287,526	119.2%	0	\$4,079,999	\$21,207,527	-\$4,079,999
Hampton	\$1,055,619	\$1,322,272	125.3%	0	\$266,653	\$1,055,619	-\$266,653
Hartland	\$1,057,801	\$1,340,757	126.7%	0	\$282,956	\$1,057,801	-\$282,956
Eastford	\$868,150	\$1,102,128	127.0%	0	\$233,978	\$868,150	-\$233,978
Clinton	\$4,984,274	\$6,416,984	128.7%	0	\$1,432,710	\$4,984,274	-\$1,432,710
Avon	\$631,353	\$872,247	138.2%	0	\$240,894	\$631,353	-\$240,894
Easton	\$177,468	\$245,181	138.2%	0	\$67,713	\$177,468	-\$67,713
Essex	\$116,288	\$160,658	138.2%	0	\$44,370	\$116,288	-\$44,370
Kent	\$37,107	\$51,265	138.2%	0	\$14,158	\$37,107	-\$14,158
Old Saybrook	\$163,497	\$225,880	138.2%	0	\$62,383	\$163,497	-\$62,383
Salisbury	\$43,557	\$60,176	138.2%	0	\$16,619	\$43,557	-\$16,619
Sherman	\$58,602	\$80,962	138.2%	0	\$22,360	\$58,602	-\$22,360
Washington	\$71,242	\$98,425	138.2%	0	\$27,183	\$71,242	-\$27,183
Canaan	\$135,092	\$186,637	138.2%	0	\$51,545	\$135,092	-\$51,545
Cornwall	\$17,009	\$23,499	138.2%	0	\$6,490	\$17,009	-\$6,490
Darien	\$561,349	\$775,533	138.2%	0	\$214,184	\$561,349	-\$214,184
Fairfield	\$1,200,072	\$1,657,963	138.2%	0	\$457,891	\$1,200,072	-\$457,891
Goshen	\$78,626	\$108,626	138.2%	0	\$30,000	\$78,626	-\$30,000
Guilford	\$2,107,946	\$2,912,239	138.2%	0	\$804,293	\$2,107,946	-\$804,293
Lisbon	\$2,565,865	\$3,544,878	138.2%	0	\$979,013	\$2,565,865	-\$979,013
Lyme	\$63,331	\$87,495	138.2%	0	\$24,164	\$63,331	-\$24,164
New Canaan	\$491,364	\$678,845	138.2%	0	\$187,481	\$491,364	-\$187,481
Old Lyme	\$234,929	\$324,567	138.2%	0	\$89,638	\$234,929	-\$89,638
Redding	\$190,969	\$263,834	138.2%	0	\$72,865	\$190,969	-\$72,865
Sharon	\$30,475	\$42,103	138.2%	0	\$11,628	\$30,475	-\$11,628
Warren	\$35,762	\$49,407	138.2%	0	\$13,645	\$35,762	-\$13,645
Waterford	\$353,442	\$488,299	138.2%	0	\$134,857	\$353,442	-\$134,857
Westbrook	\$94,182	\$130,117	138.2%	0	\$35,935	\$94,182	-\$35,935
Weston	\$276,124	\$381,480	138.2%	0	\$105,356	\$276,124	-\$105,356

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Westport	\$658,159	\$909,281	138.2%	0	\$251,122	\$658,159	-\$251,122
Wilton	\$481,619	\$665,382	138.2%	0	\$183,763	\$481,619	-\$183,763
Bridgewater	\$29,484	\$40,734	138.2%	0	\$11,250	\$29,484	-\$11,250
Norfolk	\$28,888	\$39,910	138.2%	0	\$11,022	\$28,888	-\$11,022
Ridgefield	\$583,219	\$805,748	138.2%	0	\$222,529	\$583,219	-\$222,529
Roxbury	\$46,660	\$64,463	138.2%	0	\$17,803	\$46,660	-\$17,803
Morris	\$87,052	\$120,267	138.2%	0	\$33,215	\$87,052	-\$33,215
Greenwich	\$1,045,745	\$1,444,752	138.2%	0	\$399,007	\$1,045,745	-\$399,007
Stonington	\$1,081,353	\$1,792,984	165.8%	0	\$711,631	\$1,081,353	-\$711,631
Madison	\$353,892	\$605,620	171.1%	0	\$251,728	\$353,892	-\$251,728
Farmington	\$717,161	\$1,289,833	179.9%	0	\$572,672	\$717,161	-\$572,672
							-\$15,913,253

Home town	Senate	House
	6	20
	6	28
	24	104



EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN CONNECTICUT
PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S MISSION

December 8, 2016
Ms. E. Patricia Llodra
First Selectman
Newtown Municipal Center
3 Primrose Street
Newtown CT 06470

Dear Ms. Llodra,

I write to follow up with you on the letter I wrote in August in regard to the gift of land for the Town of Newtown from the former St. John's Episcopal Church in Sandy Hook. I'm happy to inform you that the Bishops and Standing Committee of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut enthusiastically voted to approve the parish's gift of the parcel of land. We intend to sell the remaining parcel and buildings in 2017, so the sooner we can convey the deed to this property to the Town of Newtown, the sooner we can move forward with the property sale.

Please let me know with whom I should be in contact in regard to this process.

May the holidays ahead continue to help heal your community, even as we face another anniversary of that world-changing event four years ago.

All best,

The Rev. Canon Tim Hodapp
Canon for Mission Collaboration

cc: Mr. George Benson, Director of Planning
The Rt. Rev. Ian T. Douglas, Bishop Diocesan
The Rt. Rev. Laura J. Ahrens, Bishop Suffragan
The Rev. Tracy Johnson-Russell, President, ECCT Standing Committee

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E. Patricia Llodra
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TOWN OF NEWTOWN

OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

December 27, 2016

The Rev. Canon Tim Hodapp
290 Pratt Street, Box 52
Meriden, CT 06450

Dear Reverend,

Thank you very much for your kind offer to the Town of Newtown. The donation of land has now made it to the agenda of our local government bodies and will follow the processes outlined in our Charter. The Board of Selectmen began a review of the donation of land on December 19 and they ask that I follow up with you on the issue of the Rock of Angels. Does the Standing Committee of the Episcopal Church have a particular position regarding the disposition of the Rock of Angels memorial? The Town of Newtown was not involved in receiving the memorial so we are unaware if any commitment was made to the donors by St. John's. The church members were very gracious and accommodating in hosting the memorial and we thank them for that kindness. The Selectmen need to fully understand any considerations regarding the Rock of Angels before we take action on the Episcopal Church offer.

Again, thank you for reaching out to our community and for your generosity of spirit.

Sincerely,

E. Patricia Llodra
First Selectman



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THIS SURVEY HAS BEEN PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 20-300B-1 THROUGH 20-300B-20 OF THE REGULATIONS OF CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES - "MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SURVEYS AND MAPS IN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT" AS ADOPTED BY THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF LAND SURVEYORS, INC. 9/28/08. IT IS A PROPERTY SURVEY BASED ON A FIRST SURVEY OF THE SOUTHERN LOT LINE AND A DEPENDENT INSURANCE SURVEY OF THE REMAINING LOT LINES, CONFORMING TO CLASS "A-2" ACCURACY AND IS INTENDED TO BE USED FOR LOT LINE RESOLUTION PURPOSES.

PROPERTY IS DEPICTED AS LOT 30-4-7 IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN "R-3" ZONE.

STON" AND SETBACKS ARE SUBJECT TO THE DETERMINATION OF THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

REFER TO MAP NO. 3542, 4577, 6001 & 8211 ON FILE IN THE TOWNS CLERKS OFFICE

REFERR TO "DATA ACCUMULATION PLAN" PREPARED FOR VERDAT KALA BY STEPHEN SOMERS
ON 11/6 REASON 1-12-11

BACKGROUND IMPROVEMENTS OR ENCOURAGEMENTS IF ANY ARE NOT DEPICTED OR NOTED

THIS SURVEY WAS PREPARED FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE. ANY USE OTHER THAN THAT WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED IS A MISUSE OF THE INFORMATION AND REQUIRES THE USER'S ASSUMPTION OF ALL RISK.

REPAIRERS DECLARATION NULL AND VOID.

UNAUTHORIZED ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THIS SURVEY WHICH DEARS THE LICENSED SURVEYOR'S LIVE SIGNATURE AND EMBOSSED SEAL RENDERS ANY DECLARATION NOTED HEREIN VOID.

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TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THIS SURVEY AND MAP ARE SUBSTANTIALLY CORRECT AS NOTED HEREON

Paul A. Martin

THE SURVEY OFFICED HEREON IS ASKED AND FOR WITHOUT THE LICENSED
SINCE THE SURVEY OFFICED HEREON IS ASKED AND FOR WITHOUT THE LICENSED

PROPERTY SURVEY

PREPARED FOR

TOWN OF NEWTOWN
& ST. JOHN'S PARISH

5 WASHINGTON AVENUE
NEWTOWN, CONNECTICUT

JOB No. 591605X01

Case 1:13-cv-00370

DRAWN BY: JAB

FIELD NOTES: 234, 148

DATE: 8/8/16

CHECKED BY: PAG

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St. John's Church - Sandy Hook, CT



Town of Newtown

John Board
Intern to the First Selectman

January 3, 2017
Board of Selectmen Meeting



Previous Experience/How I Got Here

- Experience
 - 10 Years Student Government & Political Engagement
 - 88th Eagle Scout of Troop 15 (Redding, CT)
 - Town of Redding – Parks & Recreation Commission
 - WestConn – Community Service Coordinator
 - City of New Britain – Intern to the Mayor for Special Projects
 - Co-authored Employee Handbook along Mayor
 - Assisted in Budget preparation (roughly quarter billion dollars)
 - Energy & Innovation
 - SMART City
 - City of Compassion

How I Got Here - Public Administration class required an internship, called up First Selectwoman, interview, now I'm here! ☺



Portfolio Here in Newtown

- Wide Ranging and Comprehensive
 - Plastic Bag Reduction Method(s)
 - Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
 - City of Compassion/ Age Friendly Living
 - Constituent Conversations
 - Meeting Attendance
 - BoS, BoF, Legislative Council & WestCoG



Plastic Bag Reduction Method

- Problem Statement

The use of plastic bags for groceries has become common practice. Stores in our community and area routinely pack grocery items in such bags. Disposal and recycling of these bags is harmful to our environment. Alternatives do exist.

- Initiative

Research alternatives with the goal of establishing a public policy position prohibiting their use for stores operating in Newtown.
Develop a road-map based on appropriate and comprehensive research that could lead establishment of a public policy position.



Research Alternatives

- Read, analyzed and reviewed over two dozen proposed and actual ordinances
- Consulted with Policy Experts, Legislative and Municipal Leaders, Interest Groups, local businesses & department heads across the nation
 - Connecticut Municipal CEOs
 - Legislative Leadership – Newtown & Environmental Committee
 - Interest Groups – CBIA, Yankee Institute, LCV, Sierra Club, Chambers of Commerce, etc.
 - Business Community
 - Listening Tour
 - Letter Writing Campaign

Prepared Ordinance Proposal Strategic & Communication Plan for First Selectwoman



Finding from Municipalities

- Westport, CT
- Brookline, MA
- North Carolina Legislature
- Kauai County, HI
- Honolulu County, HI
- New York City

And about a dozen-and-a-half more...



Strategic & Communications Plan

- Since early 2008 Connecticut has been exploring ways to clean up our environment
- After this presentation
 - Counsel will review legislative language
 - Brief various parties, commissions, interest groups
 - Media roll out
 - Talk with Chamber of Commerce about hosting round table with local business



Projected Timeline

- At the discretion of the First Selectman with consultation of Chair of Legislative Council



Plastic Bag Reduction Ordinance Proposal

- "Retail Sales Space" (or)
 - 1,500 sq feet or larger
 - 2 locations with a total greater than 1,500 sq. ft.
 - Retail pharmacy with 2 locations in town
 - Full-line service supermarket

This is not a complete ban but a incremental transition to higher grade plastic, focus on public awareness and encouraging residents to use shopping tote bags.



Compliance

- Want to provide ample compliance time to our business community
- Operative Date: Nine (9) Months after First Selectman has signed Ordinance.



Enforcement

- Enforcement Agency: Newtown Health Department or as designated by the First Selectman
- Penalties:
 - 1st Violation – Written Warning
 - Owner has 14 days to respond to violation by confirming in writing that violation has ceased
 - 2nd Violation – Penalty of \$100.00
 - 3rd Violation – Penalty of \$500.00
 - “Each occurrence of a violation after the first, and each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation and may be cited as such”
 - If the Town does not collect penalties within 30 days there shall be a \$25.00/day fine for noncompliance for every 30 days until such penalty is paid



Non-Compliance

- "In the event that compliance with this effective date is not feasible for a food service establishment because of unavailability of alternative checkout bags or economic hardship, the First Selectman may grant a waiver of not more than six (6) months upon application of the owner or owner's representative. The waiver may be extended for one (1) additional six month period upon showing continue infeasibility as set forth above."



Summary

Plastic Bag Reduction

- All parties will be encouraged to be part of the solution; nobody will be left on the sideline.
- Supermarkets will be asked to transition to higher grade plastic bags & tote bags
- Compliance
 - Minimum: 9 Months from F.S.' signature
 - Maximum: 22 months (with waivers)
- Strict enforcement measures



Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

- Studied & reviewed line-item by line-item
- Met with First Selectman on several occasions to discuss
- Sat in on public meetings relating to CIP



City of Compassion & Age-Friendly Community

- Presented Draft Language to First Selectman
 - similar to what I proposed & the Common Council passed in New Britain
- First Selectman recommend that we tie to Age Friendly Community innovative
- Met with Jennifer Crane to discuss next steps forward
- Resolution to be presented to Legislative Council & Board of Selectman for approval authorizing First Selectman to sign Charter



Charter for Compassion

Background on Charter

- Designed by Karen Armstrong in 2008; TED TALK
- Dr. Chris Kukk: WCSU Prof. for years has been advocate for making the world a more compassionate place as the founding director of the Center for Compassion, Creativity and Innovation at WCSU.
- 250 cities worldwide, in 50 different nations have become nations of compassion. We have the opportunity to become the 4th municipality in Connecticut (New Britain, Danbury, New Milford and





Text of Charter Language

The principle of compassion lies at the heart of all religious, ethical and spiritual traditions, calling us always to treat all others as we wish to be treated ourselves. Compassion impels us to work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of our fellow creatures, to dethrone ourselves from the centre of our world and put another there, and to honour the inviolable sanctity of every single human being, treating everybody, without exception, with absolute justice, equity and respect.

It is also necessary in both public and private life to refrain consistently and empathically from inflicting pain. To act or speak violently out of spite, chauvinism, or self-interest, to impoverish, exploit or deny basic rights to anybody, and to incite hatred by denigrating others—even our enemies—is a denial of our common humanity. We acknowledge that we have failed to live compassionately and that some have even increased the sum of human misery in the name of religion.

We therefore call upon all men and women to restore compassion to the centre of morality and religion ~ to return to the ancient principle that any interpretation of scripture that breeds violence, hatred or disdain is illegitimate ~ to ensure that youth are given accurate and respectful information about other traditions, religions and cultures ~ to encourage a positive appreciation of cultural and religious diversity ~ to cultivate an informed empathy with the suffering of all human beings—even those regarded as enemies.

We urgently need to make compassion a clear, luminous and dynamic force in our polarized world. Rooted in a principled determination to transcend selfishness, compassion can break down political, dogmatic, ideological and religious boundaries. Born of our deep interdependence, compassion is essential to human relationships and to a fulfilled humanity. It is the path to enlightenment, and indispensable to the creation of a just economy and a peaceful global community.



Four Main Phases

- Discover & Assess
- Focus & Commit
- Build & Launch
- Evaluate & Sustain

It is my hope that the Board of Selectman and Legislative Council will agree to empower the First Selectman to sign the Charter and that the memorial commission will become 'the Compassion Commission' after its work is done.



Age Friendly Community

We have the opportunity to become the First Age-Friendly Community in the State

THE 8 DOMAINS OF LIVABILITY:

The domains are listed and detailed below:

- Outdoor spaces and buildings
- Transportation
- Housing
- Social participation
- Respect and social inclusion
- Civic participation and employment
- Communication and information
- Community support and health services

Each of these "domains of livability" could connect back to the *Charter for Compassion*; specifically as it relates to domain four, five, six and eight.



Constituent Conversations

- Supermarket Listening Tour
- Dog Park
- Travels with Pat



Newtown Meetings

- Board of Selectmen
 - Agreements
 - Bond releases
 - Presentations from community & commission members
 - Administrative Matters
- Board of Finance
 - CIP
 - Senior Tax Relief
 - Town Roadwork Schedule
- Legislative Council
 - Memorial Commission
 - "Horses and Ponies"
 - First Selectman's Salary
 - Town Roadwork Schedule



Western Connecticut Council of Governments Meetings

- Oct. 20th
- Nov. 30th (Executive Committee)
- Dec. 15th
- Major Discussion Points: (between three meetings)
 - Dues Structure
 - Department of Health Regionalization
 - Legislative Priorities



Final Thoughts on Public Administration

- Public Admin is what makes the world work. We have dedicated public servants, who stay from political administration to political administration – no matter what party is in power.
- The processes and means by which our government works may not be the ‘cleanest’ in the world, but it is what works for our system.



Thank for the opportunity to
work in your community for
the last five months ☺

TIME LINE

Joint Agreement Offer to Purchase Development Rights to Farmland – Paproski-Castle Hill Farm

- Amend CIP (2016-17 to 2020-21)
 - 2016 – 2017 BOS – decrease Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan by (\$200,000) ; increase Open Space Acquisition Program by \$200,000.

BOS on January 3; BOF on January 9; LC on January 18.
- Resolution providing for a special appropriation in the amount of \$450,450 for the Joint Agreement Offer to Purchase Development Rights to Farmland by State of Connecticut and the Town of Newtown regarding the Paproski-Castle Hill Farm, Newtown CT and authorizing the issuance of \$450,450 bonds of the Town to meet said special appropriation and pending the issuance thereof the making of temporary borrowings for such purpose.

BOS on January 23; BOF on January 26; LC on February 1.
- Purchase development rights on March 31, 2017.

2016-17 CIP cap = \$3,131,000 (after new charter date):

Fire apparatus	\$ 975,000
Treadwell Park parking	550,000
Fairfield Hills streetscape	1,050,000
Joint agreement offer	<u>450,000</u>
Total since new charter	\$3,025,000

Note: Bridge program project will have to be on budget referendum.

TOWN OF NEWTOWN							
CIP - LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL APPROVED (2016 - 2017 TO 2020 - 2021)							
RANK	2016 - 2017 (YEAR ONE)			Proposed Funding			
	<u>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Amount Planned</u>	<u>Bonding</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other</u>
	Capital Road Program	PW	2,750,000	1,000,000		1,750,000	
	Bridge Replacement Program	PW	525,000	525,000			
	Fire Apparatus Replacement	FIKE	975,000	975,000			400,000
	Newtown Community Center	P & R	5,000,000	5,000,000			
	Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	350,000	350,000		Change (\$200,000)	Amended = \$150,000
	Treadwell Park Parking	P & R	550,000	550,000			
	Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	250,000	250,000		+\$200,000	= \$450,000
Appropriated	FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	2,500,000	2,500,000			
	<u>BOARD OF EDUCATION</u>						
	High School Roof - Restoration & Replacement	BOE	1,402,500	1,402,500			
	Middle Gate - Boiler Replacement & Lighting Upgrade	BOE	475,000	475,000			
	TOTALS	>>>>>>>	14,777,500	12,627,500	-	1,750,000	400,000
RANK	2017 - 2018 (YEAR TWO)			Proposed Funding			
	<u>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Amount Planned</u>	<u>Bonding</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other</u>
	Capital Road Program	PW	3,000,000	1,000,000		2,000,000	
	Bridge Replacement Program	PW	525,000	525,000			
	Newtown Community Center	P & R	2,500,000	2,500,000			
	Eichlers Cove Improvements Phase (2 of 2)	P & R	500,000	500,000			
	Edmond Town Hall Renovations	ETH	250,000	250,000			
	Library Renovations	LIB	250,000	250,000			
	FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	2,500,000	2,500,000			
	Police Facility Design	POLICE	500,000	500,000			
	Senior Center Design Phase	SR CTR	500,000	500,000			
	Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	350,000	350,000			
	Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	250,000	250,000			
	Truck Washing Station	PW	600,000	600,000			
	<u>BOARD OF EDUCATION</u>						
	Hawley School - Roof Replacement	BOE	800,000	528,000	272,000		
	Middle School Renovation - Phase 0	BOE	100,000	100,000			
	Middle School Renovation - Phase 1	BOE	2,100,000	2,100,000			
	TOTALS	>>>>>>>	14,725,000	12,453,000	272,000	2,000,000	-
RANK	2018 - 2019 (YEAR THREE)			Proposed Funding			
	<u>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Amount Planned</u>	<u>Bonding</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other</u>
	Capital Road Program	PW	2,000,000			2,000,000	
	Bridge Replacement Program	PW	538,000	538,000			
	FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	500,000	500,000			
	Dickinson Park Phase III	P & R	1,300,000	1,300,000			
	Municipal Facility Plan	To be determined	5,000,000	5,000,000			
	Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	350,000	350,000			
	Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	250,000	250,000			
	Public Works Garage / Salt Storage	PW	650,000	650,000			
	<u>BOARD OF EDUCATION</u>						
	Middle School Renovation - Phase 2	BOE	4,805,000	4,805,000			
	TOTALS	>>>>>>>	15,393,000	13,393,000	-	2,000,000	-
RANK	2019 - 2020 (YEAR FOUR)			Proposed Funding			
	<u>BOARD OF SELECTMEN</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Amount Planned</u>	<u>Bonding</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other</u>
	Capital Road Program	PW	2,250,000			2,250,000	
	Bridge Replacement Program	PW	473,000	473,000			
	Municipal Facility Plan	To be determined	5,000,000	5,000,000			
	Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	350,000	350,000</			

TOWN OF NEWTOWN
BOARD OF FINANCE CIP - (2017 - 2018 TO 2021 - 2022)

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2017 - 2018 (YEAR ONE)

		Amount	Proposed Funding			
		Requested	Bonding	Grants	General Fund	Other
BOARD OF SELECTMEN						
Capital Road Program	PW	2,750,000	1,000,000		1,750,000	
Bridge Replacement Program	PW	525,000	525,000			
New Senior Center - Design & Construction	Sr Svs	3,000,000	3,000,000			
Treadwell Pool Deck Replacement	P & R	400,000	400,000			
Edmond Town Hall Air Conditioning Project	ETH	574,000	574,000			
Library Renovations	LIB	273,000	273,000			
Police Facility Design	POLICE	500,000	500,000			
Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	350,000	350,000			
Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	500,000	500,000			
BOARD OF EDUCATION						
Hawley School - Roof Replacement	BOE	850,000	540,345	309,655		
Middle School Improvements	BOE	1,800,000	1,800,000			
High School - Phase II Auditorium	BOE	850,000	850,000			
TOTALS	>>>>>>>	12,369,000	10,309,345	309,655	1,750,000	-

Total proposed
reduction = \$600,000

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2018 - 2019 (YEAR TWO)

		Amount	Proposed Funding			
		Requested	Bonding	Grants	General Fund	Other
BOARD OF SELECTMEN						
Capital Road Program	PW	3,000,000	1,000,000		2,000,000	
Bridge Replacement Program	PW	525,000	525,000			
Truck Washing Station - Design	PW	50,000	50,000			
FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	2,500,000	2,500,000			
Eichlers Cove Improvements Phase (2 of 2)	P & R	500,000	500,000			
Edmond Town Hall Renovations	ETH	268,000	268,000			
Library Renovations	LIB	290,000	290,000			
Police Facility - Construction Phase (1 OF 2)	POLICE	5,000,000	5,000,000			
Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	150,000	150,000			
Brownfields Remediation/Re-purposing	ECON DEV	200,000	200,000			
BOARD OF EDUCATION						
Middle Gate - Roof Replacement	BOE	1,590,000	1,010,763	579,237		
Hawley School - Boiler Replacement	BOE	1,712,000	1,712,000			
TOTALS	>>>>>>>	15,785,000	13,205,763	579,237	2,000,000	-

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2019 - 2020 (YEAR THREE)

		Amount	Proposed Funding			
		Requested	Bonding	Grants	General Fund	Other
BOARD OF SELECTMEN						
Capital Road Program	PW	2,250,000			2,250,000	
Bridge Replacement Program	PW	525,000	525,000			
Truck Washing Station - Construction	PW	550,000	550,000			
Police Facility - Construction Phase (2 OF 2)	POLICE	5,000,000	5,000,000			
Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	150,000	150,000			
Brownfields Remediation/Re-purposing	ECON DEV	200,000	200,000			
Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	250,000	250,000			
FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	1,000,000	1,000,000			
Fairfield Hills Trail / Infrastructure	P & R	500,000	500,000			
Tilson Artificial Turf Replacement	P & R	500,000				500,000
Edmond Town Hall Theater Renovations	ETH	250,000	250,000			
Library Renovations	LIB	350,000	350,000			
BOARD OF EDUCATION						
Hawley School - Boiler Replacement	BOE	4,452,000	4,452,000			
TOTALS	>>>>>>>	15,977,000	13,227,000	-	2,250,000	500,000

RANK

2020 - 2021 (YEAR FOUR)

		Amount	Proposed Funding			
		Requested	Bonding	Grants	General Fund	Other
BOARD OF SELECTMEN						
Capital Road Program	PW	2,500,000			2,500,000	
Bridge Replacement Program	PW	538,000	538,000			
Radio System Upgrade and Console	ECC	1,775,000	1,775,000			
Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	200,000	200,000			
Brownfields Remediation/Re-purposing	ECON DEV	150,000	150,000			
FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	3,000,000	3,000,000			
Dickinson Park Bathhouse & Splashpad	P & R	850,000	850,000			
Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	250,000	250,000			
Edmond Town Hall Parking Lot Improvements	ETH	450,000	450,000			
Library Renovations	LIB	345,000	345,000			
BOARD OF EDUCATION						
High School - Replace / Restore Stadium Turf	BOE	1,000,000	1,000,000			
High School - Main Boiler Replacements / LED Lights	BOE	900,000	900,000			
High School - Athletic Field House	BOE	300,000	300,000			
TOTALS	>>>>>>>	12,258,000	9,758,000	-	2,500,000	-

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2021 - 2022 (YEAR FIVE)

		Amount	Proposed Funding			
		Requested	Bonding	Grants	General Fund	Other
BOARD OF SELECTMEN						
Capital Road Program	PW	2,500,000			2,500,000	
Bridge Replacement Program	PW	473,000	473,000			
Town Sidewalk/Streetscape Plan	ECON DEV	350,000	350,000			
FFH Building Remediation / Demolition	FFH	3,000,000	3,000,000			
Dickinson Pavilion Replacement	P & R	450,000	450,000			
Duplex Remediation for P & R use and programming	P & R	800,000	800,000			
Open Space Acquisition Program	LAND USE	250,000	250,000			
Edmond Town Hall Renovations	ETH	253,000	253,000			
BOARD OF EDUCATION						
Middle School Improvements	BOE	4,805,000	4,805,000			
TOTALS	>>>>>>>	12,881,000	10,381,000	-	2,500,000	-

GRAND TOTALS

69,270,000	56,881,108	888,892	11,000,000	500,000
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