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ROBERT & MARGARET DAWSON

At the August 8, 2022 meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Robert and Margaret Dawson were unanimously selected to be inducted to the Ellington Wall of Honor. Nominated by their daughter Meg, the application shared the immeasurable impact the two had in their 67+ years of serving the Town as members of over 15 boards, committees and agencies.

Settling in Ellington in 1955, it didn't take long for Bob and Marge to get involved in their new community, where they raised their three children – Robb, Douglas, and Meg. In the narrative included with their nomination, it was shared that "they loved the rural character of the town, and both Bob and Marge were enthusiastic participants in civic affairs all their lives."

Marge taught Sunday School at the Congregational Church and, in the 1960s, set up and staffed the first school libraries at Center School and what was then Longview Middle School. As Chairman of the Board of Directors at Hall Memorial Library, she spearheaded the large modern addition that is enjoyed by library patrons today, and she did so without exceeding the construction budget. She served as the Republican Registrar of Voters, acted as the Land Records Inspector, and was a member of the Jury Selection Committee and the Ellington Women's Club.



In 1972, Bob served as Chairman of the Ellington High School Building Committee, the efforts of which resulted in the Town's acquisition of the land that makes up Robert Tedford Memorial Park today. He was Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals prior to taking on the same role on the Design Review Board, where he serves as Chair to this day. An indication of his leadership, Bob also served as Chairman of the East of the River Tourism Commission for several years, was a A formal induction ceremony was held on Saturday, September 10, 2022 at the site of the Wall of Honor, located in Arbor Park (off of Main Street). The public was invited and encouraged to attend.



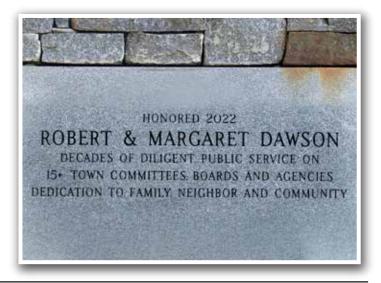
member of the Greater Hartford Jaycees, and has been a member of the Fayette Mason Lodge #69 in Ellington for over fifty years. Bob's firm, Russell & Dawson Architecture and Engineering, also designed many projects for the Town.

Much of Bob and Marge's service was done jointly, making it a true family affair. Both were members of the Ellington Historical Society and worked tirelessly on the renovation and repurposing of the McKnight House into the Nellie McKnight Museum. Bob also initiated the construction of the first gazebo on the Town Green, spending a Memorial Day Weekend shingling the roof himself. Marge was integral in planning annual holiday receptions at the McKnight House and in outfitting the Historical Society's Fife and Drum Corps.

Both also served on the Ellington Bicentennial Commission, organizing celebrations in 1976 and 1986; Bob was Secretary of the Arbor Park Commission, as well.

"It is because of people like Bob and Marge and their commitment to the Town that we were afforded the opportunity to learn, experience, and grow in Ellington," Meg shared in the application. The Dawsons had a hand (or four) in so much of what made Ellington the beautiful town it is today, and their impact cannot, and should never be, overlooked or forgotten.

"Even today, in his 90s, Bob never stops working; you can always rely on him," First Selectman Spielman shared, "and growing up, I remember Marge being involved in so many things, helping so many people. You could always find them enjoying a quick bite at the Chuck Wagon or spending time around Town."





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October 24, 2022

Dear Fellow Ellington Residents:

I offer my sincere thanks to the employees, volunteers and residents who serve the Ellington community.

In order to prepare a clear and transparent budget for the residents of Ellington, the Board of Finance has implemented zero-based budgeting. Zero-based budgeting provides the community with the best return on its taxpayer investments. We will continue utilizing this process for the upcoming budget year.

Another Board of Finance initiative that is saving tax dollars is the coordination of services used by both town government and our public school system. These shared services facilitate the delivery of needed services in the most cost-effective and efficient manner.

The Board of Finance has also proposed a special tax relief program for seniors to acknowledge and honor their tenure in Ellington and the contributions they have made to our community over the years.

The Board of Finance understands these are difficult times, given the state of the economy. During the upcoming budget year, we will continue to be mindful and sensitive of the impact of taxes on Ellington residents and their families.

The Town's annual budget is driven by community needs. The Board of Finance welcomes your input and encourages you to attend and participate in our budget deliberation process.

The Board of Finance will continue to implement creative and innovative financial policies and solutions to ensure Ellington remains a vibrant and sustainable community.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Purcaro Chairperson, Board of Finance Town of Ellington



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Board of Selectmen

Back Row (L-R) John W. Turner, Ronald F. Stomberg , Melinda M. Ferry, Michael B. Madru Front Row (L-R) James M. Prichard, Lori L. Spielman, First Selectman; David E. Stavens

HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Selectmen is collectively responsible for the administration of the Town offices, the maintenance of the Town highways and parks, the public safety of its citizens, the keeping of financial accounts and the appointment of administrative officers, boards and commissions.

The Board of Selectmen met at least once each month. There were a total of thirteen (13) regular meetings plus eight (8) special meetings. Three (3) public hearings were held. The Board of Selectmen called nine (9) Town Meetings; the following are some of the primary items addressed by the Board of Selectmen during fiscal year 2021-2022:

AGREEMENTS

• Exercised the right to opt out of the Tier 1 Long Term Municipal Solid Waste Management Services Agreement with MIRA, effective as of June 30, 2022

CONTRACTS

- Executed a contract with the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of State Police for the services of five (5) Resident State Troopers for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023.
- Renewed the contract with Mountain Tree Service of Somers, CT through August 31, 2023
- Awarded the contract for Veteran's Memorial Ellington Green Project to Colossale Concrete, Inc. of Berlin, CT
- Awarded the contract for Health and Benefits Brokerage Consulting Services to Willis Towers Watson of Hartford, CT
- Waived the formal bidding process and awarded the Hall Memorial Library contract for Membership to Bibliomation, Inc. of Waterbury, CT
- Awarded the contract for Roof Replacement Ambulance Facility Project to Macri Roofing, Inc. of Meriden, CT
- Extended the contract with All American Waste for three

years, plus two one-year options for collection and disposal of household trash and recycling

- Waived the formal bidding process for inspection services for the replacement of the Strawberry Road Bridge for compliance with State standards and to remain eligible for 80% reimbursement
- Renewed the contract for the service and maintenance of the Town's computer system with The Computer Company of Cromwell, CT through December 31, 2022
- Authorized Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps to utilize Taxserv Capital Services, LLC for the collection of outstanding patient billings
- Awarded the contract for the Fertilization of Town and Board of Education Turf Areas to New England Turf Management of Farmington, CT
- Approved the municipal solid waste disposal and recycling agreement with Murphy Road Recycling, LLC from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2028
- Approved the third amendment to the agreement between the Town and All American Waste, LLC for the municipal solid waste collection contract beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028
- Waived the formal bidding process for American Rescue Plan Act Project – Crystal Lake Fire Department Truck not to exceed \$850,000
- Approved the amendment to the 2021-2023 contract between the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public protection, Division of State Police and the Town of Ellington acknowledging that the supervision of the Town's Animal Control Office will transfer to the Office of the Resident State Troopers' Supervisor effective June 14, 2022
- Awarded the contract for Ice Cream Vendor Services for the 2022 Sandy Beach season to Nana's Ice Cream

EQUIPMENT

- Authorized the Director of Public Works to dispose of 2007 Front Line Snow Unit and a 1978 Massey Tractor
- Authorized the Director of Public Works to dispose of the surplus equipment 2007 Front Line Snow Unit to the Town of Canton for \$28,000
- Authorized the Director of Public Works to dispose of surplus office equipment

FINANCES

- Adopted a resolution recommending the appropriation of \$415,000 for the acquisition of 11.46 acres of land at 59 Maple Street
- Transferred \$259,260 from FY 2020-21 950-Insurance and \$56,284 from FY 2020-21 10880-EVAC Charging Fund to the following accounts: 121-Auditors \$250; 230-Planning & Zoning \$621; 320 Crystal Lake Fire \$16,461; 321-Public Fire Protection \$7,022; 331 Special Duty \$174,606; 370 Ellington

Volunteer Ambulance \$56,284; 377-Preemption \$3,710; 456-Household Hazardous Waste \$1,501; 513-Waterfront \$8,867; 585-Crystal Lake Water Monitor \$50; 610-Hall Memorial Library \$99; 750-Human Services \$17,608; 820-Center Cemetery \$3,429; 835-Hall Memorial Library Building \$12,704; 837-Crystal Lake Fire Building \$3,569; 850 Pinney House \$194; 1033 Ad Hoc Ellington Trails Committee \$921; 1080-Town Web Site \$7,648

- Approved the transfer of \$56,979 from Account 1065 Salary Adjustment to cover the cost of various salary increases
- Transferred \$100,000 from FY 2020-21 1045-GASB-OPEB to the Reserve for OPEB
- Approved Budget Execution for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 as prepared by the Finance Officer
- Increased the starting hourly wage of all current part-time and per diem EMT employees by two dollars per hour and set the starting hourly wage of part-time and per diem EMT employees at \$17.75/hour
- Approved the transfer of \$42,420 from the 2020-21 Unassigned Fund Balance into the EVAC Charging Fund to cover expenses related to staffing a second ambulance during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Adopted a resolution recommending the appropriation of \$61,640,000 for costs related to various renovations, improvements, and additions to Windermere Elementary School, to be considered and acted upon at a Town Meeting
- Adopted a resolution recommending the appropriation of \$3,047,000 for the acquisition of, installation of and improvements to lighting at various athletic facilities of the Town, to be considered and acted upon at a Town Meeting
- Approved an appropriation of \$300,000 from the Unassigned Fund Balance Account to the Board of Education Medical Self Insurance Fund
- Authorized the Tax and Revenue Collector to remove old credit balances for the 2015 through 2017 grand lists totaling \$933.81
- Recommended that the Town elect the \$10,000,000 Standard Allowance for the American Rescue Plan Act Grant Fund Expenditures
- Transferred \$20,000 from FY 2021-22 from account 1065-Salary Adjustment to 350-Emergency Management
- Approved the Town of Ellington to expend American Rescue Plan funds for approved Priority One Item projects
- Increased the exempt salary classification minimum and maximum ranges for fiscal year 2022-2023 by 3%
- Closed out the following Capital Projects to the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for FY 2021-22, LOCIP \$99.91, DPW-snow plow/dump truck \$3.11, Land purchase 72 Maple Street \$15,323.27, EVFD-security system upgrade \$639.26, accounting system conversion \$49,263, Fire Marshal vehicle \$(663.21), DPW brush chipper \$185.64, Emergency Services portable radio replacement \$7,225.03, CLFD diesel exhaust removal system \$19,674, CLFD service vehicle replacement \$110.21 and phone system-merkari ethernet switches \$490.12
- Closed out the following Capital Projects to the Capital Reserve Fund for FY 2021-22, purchase of 80 Maple Street \$705.80 and EVAC ambulance roof replacement \$3,216

GRANTS

- Adopted a resolution authorizing the First Selectman to execute and deliver any and all documents to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, the Emergency Management Performance Grant and the Homeland Security Grant Program
- Received \$2,757,000 Grant funding from LoCIP for the construction of sidewalks from the Vernon town line to Main Street in Ellington

ORDINANCES

- Recommended the adoption of Ordinance –Special Revenue Fund- Hall Memorial Library
- Recommended the adoption of Ordinance –Special Revenue Fund – American Rescue Plan

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Approved the recommended revisions to the Code of Ethics
- Approved the revisions to the Use Of Vehicles For Town Business Use Policy, formerly the Town Vehicle Use Policy
- Approved the revisions to the Purchasing and Financial Controls Policy
- Adopted the Proclamation of April as Fair Housing Month in Ellington, the Fair Housing Resolution, and the Fair Housing Policy Statement
- Approved the revisions to the Capital Improvements Policy
- Approved the additional revisions to the Use of Vehicles for Town Business Policy

PROPERTY

- Accepted the roadway of Grassy Hill Road within the Crystal View Estates Subdivision
- Accepted portions of roadways within the Wheeler Farms Subdivision (Cranberry Lane and Overhill Road)
- Awarded the lease for Town Owned Land Maple Street to Oakridge Dairy, LLC, effective March 1, 2022 through November 30, 2025.
- Awarded the lease for Town Owned Land Middle Road to Oakridge Dairy, LLC, effective December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2025.

STAFF

- Approved the job description for Recreation Coordinator (new position), Recreation Department
- Hired Emma Lipman and Madelyn Roy, Hall Memorial Library Pages
- Acknowledged the resignation of Benjamin Lipman, Hall Memorial Library Page
- Acknowledged the resignation of Jasbir Jutla, Senior Center Transportation Secretary
- Acknowledged the resignation of Joseph Palombizio, Emergency Management Director
- Hired John Hoffman, Maintainer I, Department of Public Works
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Phillip Kidney, WPCA Crew Chief
- Promoted Erica Botti from Senior Center Bookkeeper to Senior Center Administrative Secretary II

- Promoted Kelly Hearn from Seasonal Program Instructor in Youth Services to Program Assistant, Senior Center
- Acknowledged Gail Moran's employment status change from retired to temporary Payroll/Accounting Specialist
- Acknowledged the resignation of David Dodge, EMT/ Ambulance Driver Per Diem
- Acknowledged the resignation of Jennifer Surette, Accounting/Payroll Specialist
- Hired Gina Transki, Hall Memorial Library Page
- Promoted Kevin Barrett from Recreation Seasonal to Recreation Coordinator
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Joann Bolles, Tax Clerk
- Acknowledged the resignation of Donovan Rodrigues and Taylor Paton, Hall Memorial Library Pages
- Approved the new full-time job description of Emergency Management & Risk Management Director
- Authorized the First Selectman to fill the Full-time Emergency Management & Risk Management Director position
- Referred the position of Full-time Facility Supervisor to the Shared Services Commission
- Approved the revisions to the Recording Secretary job description
- Granted regular employee status to Michael Messier, Brush Drop-off Attendant, Department of Public Works
- Approved the revisions to the Administrative Secretary II position, Human Services & Recreation Department
- • Approved the revisions to the Emergency Medical Technician part-time position job description
- Hired Scott Naylor, Accounting/Payroll Specialist, Finance
- Hired Peter Baba, Emergency Medical Technician, EVAC
- Hired Holly Petronella, Assessment Aide, Assessor's Office
- Acknowledged the resignation of Stephanie Danio, Administrative Assistant II, Human Services & Recreation Department
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Sheila Grady, Director, Senior Center
- Hired Walter Lee, Emergency and Risk Management Director
- Appointed Julia Connor as Board of Selectmen Recording Secretary and LouAnn Cannella as Board of Selectmen Deputy Recording Secretary
- Hired Samuel Saunders, Recycling & Refuse Monitor, Department of Public Works
- Hired Kimberly Gambacorta, Emergency Medical Technician, per diem
- Hired James Lockhart, Assistant Animal Control Officer, per diem
- Acknowledged the passing of Officer Joseph Grayeb
- Approved the revisions to the Human Resources Coordinator job description
- Acknowledged the resignation of Diane Varholak, Deputy Tax & Revenue Collector
- Acknowledged the retirement of Carl Dojan, Deputy Fire Marshal
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Chad Adams, Emergency Medical Technician, per diem
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Holly Swiney, Emergency Medical Technician, full time

- Approved the revisions to the Executive Assistant/ Communications Coordinator job description and reclassified the position from exempt E-3 to exempt E-4
- Hired Nathaniel Trask, Planning Department Recording Secretary
- Acknowledged the resignation of Mary DiBenedetto, Food Bank Coordinator
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Erica Botti, Administrative Secretary II, Senior Center
- Approved the revisions to the Fire Inspector II job description, Fire Marshal's Office
- Approved the revisions to the Senior Center Van Driver job description
- Approved the revisions to the Human ServicesAssistant job description
- Hired Michael Castro, Senior Center Kitchen Manager
- Hired Ashley Bastien, Deputy Tax Collector
- Hired Alexander Bohr, Emergency Medical Technician, part-time
- Acknowledged the resignations of Kelly Phillips and Peter Baba, Emergency Medical Technicians, per diem
- Acknowledged the resignation of Jack Sauve, Marine Police Officer
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Kevin Barrett, Recreation Coordinator, Recreation Department
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of John Hoffman, Maintainer I, Department of Public Works
- Approved the proposed new Town Administrator full-time position description
- Approved the proposed First Selectman part-time position description, acknowledging that the current full-time position description will remain in effect until December 4, 2023
- Approved the Recreation Program Assistant job description
- Approved the revisions to the Recreation Coordinator job description
- Approved the revisions to the Recreation Department Administrative Secretary I job description
- Hired Gary Buzzell, Fire Inspector II, Fire Marshal's Office
- Acknowledged the resignation of Shawn Bull, Maintainer I, Department of Public Works
- Acknowledged the retirement of Katherine Boop, Library Assistant I, Hall Memorial Library
- Acknowledged the retirement of Patrick Sweeney, Police Officer
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Kelly Hearn, Program Assistant, Senior Center
- Acknowledged the retirement of Timothy Webb, Public Works Director/WPCA Administrator
- Approved the revisions to the Director of Public Works/ WPCA Administrator job description
- Hired Nicola Travali, Hall Memorial Library Assistant I
- Hired Kaila Morrow and April Phelps, Emergency Medical Technicians, per diem
- Acknowledged the resignation of Lori Smith, Board of Finance Recording Secretary
- Acknowledged the retirement of Sebastian Magnano, Police Officer
- Promoted Kelly Hearn from part-time Senior Center Program Assistant to full-time Human Services Assistant

- Approved the revisions to the Marine Patrol-Vessel Operator job description
- Approved the revisions to the Administrative Assessment Technician job description, Assessor's Office
- Approved the re-classification of the Assessment Aide to Administrative Assessment Technician
- Hired Eugene Allard, Senior Center Van Driver
- Hired Elizabeth Phelps, Board of Finance Recording Secretary
- Hired Cody Langlois, Maintainer I, Department of Public Works
- Hired Christina Shackford, Permanent Building Committee Recording Secretary
- Hired Kristine Nadvornik-Moulard, Senior Center Program Assistant, Senior Center
- Hired Megan Lung, Recreation Program Assistant, Recreation Department
- Acknowledged the retirement of Debra Cormier, Library Assistant I, Hall Memorial Library
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Scott Naylor, Accounting/Payroll Specialist
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Samuel Saunders, Recycling/Refuse Monitor
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Holly Petronella, Assessment Aide, Assessor's Office
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of Walter Lee, Emergency & Risk Management Director
- Hired Ken Radziwon, Director of Public Works/WPCA Administrator
- Approved the revisions to the Animal Control Officer job description
- Hired Jesse Lee, seasonal worker, Department of Public Works
- Hired John Streiber, Marine Patrol Vessel Operator
- Acknowledged the resignation of Michael Bigda, Emergency Medical Technician, EVAC
- Acknowledged the regular employee status of James Lockhart, Assistant Animal Control Officer (per diem)

OTHER ACTIONS

- Granted Special Event License: Oakridge Dairy Touch-A-Tractor Event - August 14, 2021
- Granted Special Event License: Great American Jeep Rally – September 18, 2021
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Committee for the Preservation of the Pinney House
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Committee on Diversity and Inclusion
- Selected Mary A. Miller, former First Selectman as the Wall of
- Honor Recipient for 2021; honored at an induction ceremony on September 11, 2021
- Re-activated the Shared Services Committee
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Council for the Development of Positive Youth Culture
- Granted the request of the Ellington Recreation Department to close Town roads for the November 13, 2021 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Graduation Party Committee
- Granted the request of the Winterfest Committee to hold

the 2021 Winterfest on the Town Green on Saturday December 4, 2021

- Established the American Rescue Plan Fund Task Force
- Acknowledged the passing of former First Selectman, Don Landmann
- Accepted the resignation of Sarah Cook from the Zoning Board of Appeals and appointed Subhra Roy to fill the subsequent vacancy
- Reappointed Dorian Reiser Famiglietti from Kahan Kerensky & Capossela, LLP as Town Attorney
- Reappointed the firm of Kainen, Escalera & McHale, PC as Special Counsel for all labor matters
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Patriotic Committee Appointed the firm of Pullman & Comley, LLC for all bonding matters
- Authorized the WPCA to appoint an engineering firm to oversee their projects
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Emergency Services Committee
- Established the Ad Hoc Comprehensive Lighting Committee
- Acknowledged the passing of Joseph Wehr, Co-Vice Chairman, Board of Finance
- Appointed Peg Busse to fill the vacancy on the Board of Finance
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Beautification Committee
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Trails Committee
- Granted approval to the Ad Hoc Trails Committee to begin development of the proposed new trail system on the Town's Crystal Ridge property
- Approved the 2022 Sailboat Race Series of the Crystal Lake Sailing Club
- Granted Special Event License: Tobacco Educational Event by Drew Estate, August 13-14, 2022
- Granted the request of the Earth Day Celebration Committee to hold the 2022 Earth Day Celebration on April 23, 2022 and close Church Street during the event
- Recommended to the State of Connecticut Airport Authority that the license to permit parachute jumping at Ellington Airport be renewed for one year
- Re-established the Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Committee
- Granted approval to the Ad Hoc Trails Committee to improve and enhance existing trails on the Town-owned Stein Road Ellington Highlands property
- Granted Special Event License: Touch a Tractor Event, June 25, 2022
- Granted the request of the Ellington Volunteer Fire Department to use Robert Tedford Memorial Park for the annual EVFD Carnival
- Authorized the First Selectman to appoint temporary special counsel for construction matters involving the Windermere School Project

BOARD OF FINANCE



Board of Finance (as of July 1, 2021) Back Row (L-R) Michael J. Purcaro, Chairman; Keith R. Durao, David Olender Front Row (L-R) Barry Pinto, Douglas Harding, Joseph Wehr

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Board of Finance represents the taxpayer on all matters concerning the receipt or expenditure of taxpayer funds. The Board of Finance's principal responsibility is in the preparation of the annual budget, the Board works closely with the Finance Officer/Treasurer to establish and enforce fiscal policy, and implement the recommendations of the town auditors. The Board also directs fiscal policy such as the establishment of Reserve Funds, and the allocation of funds among sectors such as departmental budgets, capital expenditures and debt service. The Board of Finance meets monthly, except during the period of January through April, when it meets more often toward assembling the annual budget.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Hold public meetings from January through March on submitted departmental budgets
- Hold the Annual Budget Hearing in April
- Deliberate and approve a completed budget for taxpayer approval
- Upon budget approval by taxpayers, the Board sets the mill rate
- · Authorize/deny expenditures in excess of budgeted amounts
- · Authorize/deny the issuance of Municipal Bonds
- Monitor town revenues and expenditures on monthly basis
- Interview and engage the outside auditing firm
- Prepare the Annual Town Report
- Member of Permanent Building Committee and Shared Services Committee
- Appropriations during public emergency
- Grant approval for which have potential to impose any financial burden on Town

TOWN ASSESSOR

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The primary responsibility of the Assessor's Office is to annually compile the Grand List, which is the record of all taxable and tax-exempt real property, business personal property, and motor vehicles. This is accomplished by identifying and valuing all of the property located in the Town of Ellington as of October 1st of each year. Property is assessed equitably in accordance with applicable law so that every property owner bears the appropriate share of the total property tax burden. Accomplishment of this requires uniform assessments within each category of property.

Real Estate assessments are 70% of the fair market value as established by the October 1, 2020 revaluation. Motor Vehicle assessments are 70% of retail market value as of October 1 of each year. Business Personal Property assessments are based on 70% of original cost less depreciation for equipment and machinery filed annually.

The Assessor's Office is also responsible for administering various exemptions and tax relief programs. These programs are directed to benefit active military servicemen and veterans, the totally disabled, the blind, senior citizens, manufacturers, charitable organizations, farmers and owners of land classified as farm, forest and open space.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Implement and complete the October 1, 2021 Grand List
- Enhance and update the GIS parcel base layer and property maps annually

TAX BASE

Grand List Totals	10/1/19	10/1/20	10/1/21
Real Estate	1,218,733,276	1,275,800,850	1,283,212,780
Personal Property	63,622,708	72,469,270	78,518,550
Motor Vehicle	148,746,155	158,278,180	196,264,700

LAND RECORDS INSPECTOR

In accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut (Inspection Sec. 7-14) "an inspection of the Land Records of each municipality in this state must be done annually." The Land Record documents prepared by the Town Clerk's Office have been inspected for the period from January 2021 through December 2021 the corrections and certification has been completed and sent to the Public Records Administrator.

TOWN ENGINEER

DANA STEELE, P.E.

J.R. RUSSO & ASSOCIATES, LLC

The Town engineer is appointed by the Board of Selectman to provide engineering consultation services to Town officers, departments, boards and commissions. During the past year as Town Engineer, J.R. Russo & Associates, LLC has provided the following services:

- Met with Town officers and prospective developers to discuss and provide guidance for preliminary development plans.
- Reviewed site design plans, traffic reports and drainage calculations submitted to the Planning Department, Planning and Zoning Commission and Inland Wetlands Agency in regard to Town requirements and sound engineering practice and provided written comments for consideration in the approval process.
- Prepared bond estimates and recommendation for reduction of bond amounts for erosion control on private projects and public improvements such as new subdivision roads.
- Reviewed as-built surveys for completed projects to verify conformance with the approved plans and recommend acceptance of completed public improvements.
- Assisted the Planning Department and Public Works in preparing plans for town infrastructure improvements:
 - Expand parking lot for Memorial Hall Library (out to bid)
 - Veterans' memorial on town green (completed)
 - Install sidewalks along West Street (design progressing, obtaining easements)
 - Improve drainage and repave Schoolhouse Road, Newell Road and Ludwig Road (under construction)
 - Culvert replacement at Burbank Road and Webster Road (permitting progressing)
 - Center School sidewalk extension (completed)
 - Transfer facility (DEEP permitting submitted)
 - Somers Road sidewalks from Main Street to Maple Street (grant application submitted)
 - Windermere Avenue reconstruction and sidewalks (grant application submitted)
 - Athletic Field Lighting at High School, Tedford Park and Pinney Fields (design progressing)
 - Abbott Road reconstruction and drainage improvements (completed)
 - 80 Maple Street boundary survey for Town purchase (completed)

FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Finance Officer is responsible for the accounting and reporting of all financial transactions for the Town of Ellington. Other duties include the investment of Town funds, preparation of financial statements, submission of annual budget to the Board of Finance, preparation of bid documents, purchasing agent, and serving as financial advisor to all boards and agencies. The Finance Officer oversees operations in Tax Collector and Tax Assessor's offices.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The Finance Office accomplished or assisted in the following projects:

- Retained S & P AA credit rating
- Implemented new monthly close procedures in order to complete annual audit in compliance with State Statute
- Oversees Information Technology service and maintenance
- Initiated and implemented move to Fiber technology
- Internal phone transition to VoiP
- Migration of IT to cloud based service
- Cyber Policy and required changes/additions
- Implemented fund accounting with each Department Head as applicable
- Updated Purchasing Procedure as per Federal/State Grant Guidelines
- Assisted in administration of Capital Projects
- Affordable Care Act reporting requirements
- Implemented monthly close procedure with Board of Education
- Assisted Board of Education with close of 2013 Windermere Project
- Closed out Capital projects to the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance
- CIRMA rates remained flat due to Town proactive risk control enhancements
- CIRMA Worker's Compensation Assessment
- Medicare Part D Creditable/Non-Creditable Notices
- CIRMA Policy Renewal
- LOSAP Administration
- Coordinated Budget Executions for all Town Departments
- Assisted in the creation of the American Rescue Plan and Hall Memorial Library special revenue funds
- Active role on the American Rescue Plan Advisory Committee
- Assisted with the Comprehensive Tennis Courts & Athletic Field Lighting Project resolution
- Assisted with the Windermere Building Project resolution
- Assisted with the implementation of Building Projects Policy
- Assisted with 2022 CT Neighborhood Assistance Act Program –Replacement of Air Handlers Hall Memorial Library
- Updated Capital Improvement Policy
- Assisted with Windermere Addition/Renovation appointment of special counsel
- ARPA Crystal Lake Fire Department Truck

The Finance Office requested and/or awarded bids on the following projects:

- Snow Plow Services
- Veteran's Memorial Ellington Green
- Health and Benefits Brokerage Consulting Services
- Library Online Catalog System
- Ambulance Roof Replacement
- Middle Road/Maple Street Lease
- Tennis-Basketball Courts
- School Readiness
- Fertilization of Fields
- RFQ Strawberry Road Bridge

The Finance Office requested/led the following contract ratifications:

- Computer Service and Maintenance Contract Option to Renew
- Tree Service Contract
- Ice Cream Vendor Sandy Beach

The Finance Office assisted in the following Shared Service initiatives:

- Information Technology Support
- Library Media Sharing
- Food Services
- Winter Salt Products
- Copier Leases
- Photo Copier Paper
- Cooperative Purchasing Program- Capital Region Education Council
- Consulting Services for Workers' Comp Liability Auto-Property (LAP) and building risk insurance through the Windermere Renovation/Addition Project

The Finance Office assisted the Board of Finance in the following areas:

- Budget preparation (tables and books) and capital improvement books
- Standardization of all budget documents
- Provided historical statistics for maintaining reserve and contingency funds
- Interim budget expenditures/revenue projections

TAX AND REVENUE COLLECTOR

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Tax Collector is responsible for the billing and collection of the real estate, motor vehicle, personal property taxes, water assessments, trash collection fees, sewer use and assessments. These responsibilities are governed by Connecticut State Statutes, Town Charter, and Town Ordinances.

A consistently high rate of collection is the key to fiscal stability for the town and remains the number one priority of the Tax Collector. Balancing the need to maintain a high rate of collection with the sensitivity necessary to deal with the individual taxpayer issues is an integral part of the tax collection function.

HIGHLIGHTS

Totaling: §

The 2020 Grand List was comprised of the following accounts:

6,068	Real Estate
1,005	Personal Property
16,179	Motor Vehicle
3,053	Supplemental Motor Vehicle
\$48,195,058	

COMPARISON	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Current Collections	\$46,043,904	\$46,789,173	\$47,784,391
Back Collections	128,747	300,864	291,167
Interest, Liens & Fee	s 182,989	227,153	194,879
Collection Rate	99.2%	99.2%	99.3%

There are several statutory methods used to collect past due taxes. Liens are placed on all past due real estate accounts, demand letters are prepared and mailed and non-responsive accounts are referred to the Town Attorney for Tax Sales or foreclosure. UCC liens are filed with the Secretary of State on all past due personal property accounts. All past due motor vehicle accounts are reported to the State Department of Motor Vehicles, which prevents residents from renewing their registration.

The Tax Office provides ongoing technical information and assistance to taxpayers, attorneys, bankers, appraisers, and leasing companies. We deal electronically with escrow services and banks which make it more critical for the customer to ask questions if there is a discrepancy.

PAYMI	PAYMENT DUE CALENDAR					
JULY	 Real Estate 1st installment Personal Property 1st installment Motor Vehicle <i>single</i> payment 					
OCTOBER	• Sewer Usage Fee					
JANUARY	 Real Estate 2nd installment Personal Property 2nd installment Supplemental Motor Vehicle tax <i>only if applicable</i> 					
APRIL	• Sewer Usage Fee					
JUNE	Sewer Benefit Assessment FeeDog License Fee					

TOWN CLERK

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The duties and responsibilities of the Town Clerk's Office consist of the following, most of which are governed by State Statute, others by Town Charter and the Board of Selectmen. The State Statutes govern the duties and responsibilities of the Registrar of Vital Records.

- Recording documents related to real estate transactions
- Collection of conveyance taxes
- Filing and maintaining maps, trade names, liquor permits, military discharges, and Notary Public Certificates
- Posting notices of meetings and for filing minutes and notices received from various Boards and Commissions, as required by the Freedom of Information Laws
- Preparation of absentee ballot election material for all elections, primaries, referenda
- Registration of voters and accepts applications for voters wishing to change their party affiliation
- Issuance of marriage licenses, burial, cremation, and transit permits, and certifies copies of birth, death, and marriage certificates
- Annual registration of dogs
- Sale of Sportsman Licenses
- Aircraft Registration Official
- Records and prepares minutes of Town Meetings
- Issues and maintains all Raffle & Bazaar Permits

All Town Meeting Minutes are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

The Town Clerk also serves as accepting agent for civil actions brought against the Town and is responsible for processing claims and lawsuits and submitting them to the Town Attorney, Selectmen, insurance carrier, and the department involved.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Online dog registration is available through the Town website.
- Awarded Historic Document Preservation Grant in 2020 for \$5,500.
- Land record indexes are available on the internet at no cost to public.
- Land record images are available at a nominal charge.
- Recorded survey and subdivision maps are available electronically for public retrieval in the Town Clerk's office and on the Town Website under land records.

Summary	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
Births	127	138	139
Marriages	79	64	101
Deaths	117	108	123
Land Records Filed	1,892	2,253	2,089
Maps Filed	45	25	29
Trade Names	36	31	31
Dog Licenses	2,124	2,174	2,173
Kennel Licenses	9	9	8
Sports Licenses	497	259	291
Liquor Permits	13	10	11
Veteran Discharges Filed	32	19	22
Cemetery Deeds Filed	25	44	40
Aircraft Registrations	14	12	14

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Ellington Planning Department assists citizens, the general public, businesses, government officials, design professionals, and developers with general land use inquiries, permitting requirements, and compliance activities associated with zoning, subdivision, and wetlands regulations. Staff provides technical and administrative support to six permanent land use commissions: the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Inland Wetlands Agency, the Economic Development Commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Conservation Commission, and the Design Review Board. In addition to carrying out planning, permitting and enforcement duties, the Planning Department helps direct long-range planning and local GIS (Geographic Information Systems). Department staff consists of a full-time Town Planner, a full-time Assistant Town Planner Wetland and Zoning Officer, a full-time Land Use Assistant, and a part-time Recording Secretary.

TOWN ATTORNEY DORIAN R. FAMIGLIETTI KAHAN, KERENSKY & CAPOSSELA, LLP

The Town Attorney is appointed by the Board of Selectmen to be the legal advisor to the Board, the First Selectman, and all Town officers, departments, boards and commissions in all matters affecting the Town. During this past year as Town Attorney, I have worked with the First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Finance Department, and Public Works Department on contracting relative to the provision of various services for the Town, as well as contracting relative to improvements to Town buildings and infrastructure. I have provided counsel to the Planning Department and land use commissions on a number of new development proposals, in the review of various conveyances to the Town in connection with approved developments, and in appeals related to zoning enforcement matters. Additionally, I have worked with the Tax Collector to collect on various delinquent accounts and with the Assessor on a handful of tax appeals stemming from the 2020 Revaluation.

BOARDS, AGENCIES AND COMMISSIONS

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION (PZC)

The PZC is responsible for maintaining and updating the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD/Plan) for the town. The POCD is a policy document that guides land use, development patterns, preservation strategies, and capital investments for certain infrastructure and community facilities for the next decade. The last comprehensive update to Ellington's POCD became effective November 30, 2019.

The subdivision and zoning regulations are the main tools the PZC uses to implement development practices. These regulations are living documents and amended from time to time in accordance with the goals and objectives of the POCD. Approvals over the past fiscal year include:

Four (4) zoning regulation amendments:

- Section 3.1.2 Residential Uses, Table 6.2.3 Off Street Parking Requirements, Section 7.1 Accessory Apartments, and Section 10.2 Definitions, to allow an accessory dwelling unit on the same lot as a primary dwelling when standards met. Effective 9-01-2021.
- Section 7.16 Moratorium adult-use cannabis establishments and Section 10.2 Definitions. Effective 10-01-2021, Revised Effective 3-03-2022.
- Section 6.3.7(B) Moratorium for detached electronic fuel price signs in C, PC, I and IP Zones. Effective 3-03-2022.
- Section 3.1.3 Accessory Uses/Structures to allow a storage shed as a permitted principal structure in certain residential zones when standards met. Effective 3-03-2022.

The PZC is also responsible for processing subdivision, site plan, special permit, and other development applications. These applications are processed in accordance with regulations such as the zoning and subdivision regulations. Through its staff, the PZC ensures developments comply with applicable regulations and approved plans. This is accomplished through plan review, site inspections, issuance of zoning permits and certificates of zoning compliance, and enforcement actions. The PZC also provides recommendations to the Board of Selectmen regarding improvements to public infrastructure and land transfers for consistency with long-term land use goals and objectives.

Statutory reviews for the past fiscal year include:

- Recommend acceptance of Crystal View Estates (Grassy Hill Road) and Wheeler Farms (extension of Cranberry Lane and Overhill Road).
- Positive referral for renovations, improvements and additions to Windermere School.
- Positive referral for lighting at various town athletic fields.

Eighteen (18) commission applications involving site development plans and modifications, and special permits and modifications.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Two (2) subdivision applications resulting in fourteen (14) new building lots.
- Conversion of conditional approval to final approval for an eleven (11) lot subdivision west of Tripp Road.

- Car wash and restaurant (10,100 sf +/-), 140 West Road, Big Y Foods.
- Self-storage facility (60, 10x10 units), 162 Maple Street, SJM Properties.
- Greenhouse, façade improvements, covered storage, and related improvements, 74 & 80 West Road, Agway of Ellington.
- Phase I improvements for parking, outside storage, landscaping, and related improvements, 100 Windermere Avenue, Juliano's Pools.
- Fellowship hall, landscaping, and related improvements, 34 Middle Butcher Road, Apostolic Christian Church of Ellington.
- Retail sale of baked goods, 420 Somers Road, LuAnn's Bakery.

One hundred and eighty-nine (189) Zoning Permit applications processed.

INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY (IWA)

The IWA is responsible by state law to protect inland wetlands and watercourses. The wetlands and watercourses are an interrelated web of nature essential to an adequate supply of surface and underground water; to hydrological stability and control of flooding and erosion; to the recharging and purification of groundwater; and to the existence of many forms of animal, aquatic and plant life. Wetlands are defined by state law, and include certain soils that are poorly drained, very poorly drained, alluvial (found along a watercourse or water body), and floodplain soils. The IWA regulates activity within the wetlands and watercourses as well as areas either one-hundred (100) feet or two-hundred and fifty (250) feet away from the resource. The IWA does this by way of approving permits in accordance with the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations, and enforcing the regulations through field inspections, permit suspensions or revocations, notices of violation, cease and desist orders, and if necessary, by fines. The regulations also permit some operations and uses as of right or as nonregulated however the IWA must be notified to make this determination prior to the commencement of the activity.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Eight (8) agency permit applications approved/approved with modifications or conditions.
- Six (6) modifications or extensions approved for existing agency permits.
- Two (2) wetland map amendments approved.
- One (1) positive referral to the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statute §8-26(e) for subdivision or resubdivision.
- Four (4) requests accepted for uses permitted as of right and non-regulated uses.
- Fifteen (15) administrative agent applications approved/ approved with modifications or conditions.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (EDC)

The EDC is committed to fostering a pro-business environment which encourages a growing, sustainable and diverse tax base. The EDC continuously looks to facilitate communication between businesses and town officials. The EDC adopts policies consistent with the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) and strives to improve the quality of life in Ellington.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Hosted the second annual Shop Ellington 2021 Event, a shoplocal campaign promoting local businesses during Small Business Saturday.
- Tolland County Chamber of Commerce member with representation on the Chamber's Economic Development Committee, Board of Directors, and Executive Committee.
- Representation at the Tolland County Chamber of Commerce 64th Annual Business Awards Event.
- Representation at the Annual Tolland County Chamber of Commerce Legislative Breakfast.
- Awarded Silver Certified Community for Best Practices in Economic Development and Land Use Planning by the Connecticut Economic Development Association.
- Developed General Application Flowcharts for Regulatory Land Use Commissions.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (ZBA)

The ZBA is essentially a court consisting of local volunteers who judge applicant's claims that they cannot comply with the zoning regulations because the regulations affect their land in some unique way. This land-based hardship can be the basis for the granting of a variance to the zoning regulations. If a variance is granted, the applicant does not have to comply with a specific provision of the zoning regulations. In addition, the ZBA hears appeals from people who feel that department staff made an error in interpreting and applying a provision of the zoning regulations. The ZBA also currently approves locations for an applicant who desires to obtain a license for dealing in or repairing motor vehicles from the Department of Motor Vehicles.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Fourteen (14) variance applications approved (four (4) with conditions).
- One (1) Cease and Desist Order from the Zoning Officer affirmed (upheld).
- One (1) variance application withdrawn.

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (DRB)

The DRB is advisory to the Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) and provides recommendations for exterior design elements for commercial, industrial, mixed-use, multi-family, and special use permits in residential zones.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Review of a new greenhouse, additional parking and related site improvements at 74 & 80 West Road.
- Review of a new fellowship hall, patio/gathering areas, drives, parking, utilities and related improvements at 34 Middle Butcher Road.
- Review of a new self-storage facility, fencing and gates, landscaping and related improvements at 162 Maple Street.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (CC)

The CC focuses on conservation planning. This includes planning for open space, farmland preservation and other conservation areas. The commission is advisory and does not issue permits for development, rather its members make recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Selectmen and others regarding planned open spaces, acquisition of farmland development rights and other conservation strategies.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Administer farmland preservation efforts. Easement recorded October 2021 permanently protecting 51 +/- acres of farmland generally located west of Jobs Hill Road and south of Muddy Brook Road.
- Developed list of priority open space and farmland preservation parcels.
- Approved updates to Open Space and Farmland Preservation brochures.
- Issued Letter of Open Space/Farmland Preservation Interest for properties within the Western Farm Belt.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

The Water Pollution Control Authority is a five member board with the responsibility for the administration and maintenance of the two sewer systems in the Town, the Hockanum Sewer System that collects residential and commercial sewage for treatment at the Vernon Sewer Plant and the Crystal Lake Sewer System that collects residential sewage for treatment at the Stafford Sewer Treatment Plant. All town sewer maintenance is handled by the Public Works Department by agreement with the Water Pollution Control Authority.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Continue to update AppGeo Sewer Layer for Ellington GIS MapGeo.
- Set Sewer User Fees for Hockanum and Crystal Lake systems, no increase for 2022-23.
- Continued to monitor H2S levels at Pump Stations.
- Offered 20% reduction in water usage for residents with irrigation systems.
- Reviewed future capital improvements projects.
- Approved the 2022-23 Budget which is funded by user fees and included in the Town's budget reporting process.
- Approval of calculation for additional flow purchases.
- Fuss & O'Neill projects-Flow Allocations, Vernon Pump Station rehabilitation through ARPA fund approval, extension of the Sewer to Jobs Hill/Tomoka, I&I Report for follow up and bid for repair.
- Received DEEP approval for the addition of 80 Meadow Brook Rd to sewer service area.
- Cleaning of pump stations, servicing of grinder pumps.
- Servicing of residential Crystal Lake grinder pumps.

PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE (PBC)

The Permanent Building Committee has eleven members who are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The duties of this board are to investigate sites for future public building and to make recommendations as requested by the Town Meeting for acquisition and construction of all building projects and/or work with construction costs of over \$20,000. The Committee may investigate sites and make recommendations of acquisition and construction of building projects and/or work with construction costs of less than \$20,000 if requested to do so by the Board of Selectmen. The Committee undertakes such functions as: surveying sites, recommending acquisition, preparation and disposition of sites and buildings, engaging architects and engineers through quality base selection, approving plans, procuring bids and entering into contracts for construction, supervising construction and accepting work as authorized and delegated by the Town Meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS

There were no town building projects taking place during FY 2021-22; therefore, the Permanent Building Committee did not meet.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

The registrars are responsible for organizing and conducting elections, primaries and referenda. They are also accountable for registering and maintaining accurate voter records for the town and holding voter registration events. These activities include annually canvassing town residents who are on the voter rolls but have not exercised their right to vote in several past consecutive elections with the objective of updating active voter files.

The Republican Registrar, Wanda DeLand, has served the town in this capacity for 17 years and Democratic Registrar, Lois Timms-Ferrara, has held the position since April 2018. Both Registrars have fulfilled all educational and training requirements and are state-certified by Connecticut's Secretary of the State. They are active in the Tolland County Registrars organization and have assumed committee positions in the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut (ROVAC).

REDISTRICTING

Early in this calendar year, the office was informed of a change in the districts representing Ellington voters. Due to changes in legislation and the release of the U.S. 2020 Census, there has been a portion of Ellington redistricted and now represented by a different Connecticut Senatorial District.

Voters residing in the commonly referred to Woodside Acres neighborhood have received letters from this office explaining that they are now part of the 7th State Senate District (at the time of this writing represented by Senator John Kissel.)

Redistricting occurs frequently after the collection of the decennial United States Census, when actual population counts are updated for each municipality. This year the legislature required a slice of our Ellington Voting District 1 be separated, thus creating Ellington Voting District 3. This was accomplished to assure proper representation in the Connecticut State Senate. For the time being, both Districts 1 and 3 will continue to vote at the Ellington High School. District 2 remains unchanged and votes at Crystal Lake.

ELLINGTON REGISTERED VOTERS

Below is a look at the town's electorate today and four years ago. The number of voters has increased substantially—more than 30% or 3,431 added voters, while the distribution across political parties have remained very consistent.

ETHICS COMMISSION

The Ethics Commission is an independent Commission established to hear, review and evaluate complaints under the Code of Ethics, which is a critical link between persons subject to the Code and our residents' confidence in ethical Town governance. The Commission is tasked to provide and maintain the Code of ethical conduct, in order to guide elected officials, appointed officials and employees in the proper discharge of their official responsibilities, and to prevent the misuse of an official position for personal financial gain.

The Commission concluded a process to propose important Code revisions which were approved by the Board of Selectmen. The revisions were deemed necessary based upon the Commission's experience with complaints submitted during Fiscal Year 2020, and were drafted with the review and advice of the Connecticut Office of State Ethics as well as the Town Attorney.

The Commission received no complaints during Fiscal Year 2022.

ELLINGTON ACTIVE VOTERS BY MAJOR PARTY

	July 2022	%	July 2018	%
Democrats	2,725	24.7%	1,855	24.5%
Republicans	2,962	26.9%	2,072	27.3%
Unaffiliated	5,121	46.5%	3,529	46.5%
Other	208	1.9%	129	1.7%
Total	11,016		7,585	

Participation in the 2021 municipal elections included 37% of the town's eligible voters, while the two referenda held in spring 2022 on March 1 and May 24 were only attended by about 8% and 5% respectively.

The Registrars are fortunate to have a team of hard-working poll workers who make themselves available for assignments at our elections and referendums. We are eternally grateful for their support and leadership in assuring the laws of the state and the nation are executed faithfully as bonafide voters carryout their duty and privilege to vote in the democracy. Please join us in showing your appreciation for their efforts when you see them at the polls.

SAVE THE DATES

On August 9, 2022 there were primaries held by both major parties. Only voters registered as Republican may vote in the Republican primary and only Democrats in the Democratic primary. Unaffiliated voters or those registered with minor parties may not participate in these primaries. If you are uncertain as to your political affiliation, you may call the office at 860-870-3107 or use the statewide look-up portal at: Voter Registration Lookup (ct.gov).

The Connecticut 2022 Gubernatorial Election will be held on November 8, 2022.

If you are interested in registering to vote or wish to update your name, address or political party affiliation on your voter registration file, you may do so online at www.sots.ct.gov or drop by town hall at 55 Main Street to complete a registration card. There are also registration cards available at Hall Memorial Library that may be dropped off or mailed to the Registrar's Office.

AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE

SUCTION HARVESTING

New England Aquatic Services (NEAS) spent six (6) days beginning on August 9, 2021 using two boats with two divers and two crew members on each boat, providing 164.18 hours of Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting. They were removing Variable-Leaf Milfoil (Myriophyllum hererophyllum) and Ribbon Leaf Pondweed from various areas in the lake. On the first day of the project "Annual Maintenance" was conducted which consisted of checking the lake proper for new areas of Milfoil growth, and in this case, removing Ribbon Leaf Pondweed from several patches found around the lake. The first day consisted of Boat 1 removing Milfoil and Pondweed from outside Northeast Cove while Boat 2 removed Pondweed from a patch near the State boat ramp. Boat 1 spent the entirety of day 2 removing a large patch of Pondweed from the Northeast Cove area while Boat 2 finished work on the Pondweed near the boat ramp then moved to the Dam Area. On Day 3 Boat 1 finished the Northeast Cove and moved to work on the Town Beach area while Boat 2 continued to work on the Dam Area. On Day 4 Boat 1 worked within the swim area of the Town Beach as well as the area off the Town Beach and Aborn Cove, Boat 2 worked the Dam Area. Boat 1 spent Day 5 in the Dam Area while Boat 2 removed more Pondweed from the lake and then also finished the day off in the Dam Area. On the 6th and final day of the project Boat 1 removed Pondweed from Aborn Cove area and then worked removing Milfoil from the Town Beach area. Boat 2 reswept the Dam Area and then worked the Milfoil patch off of the Town Beach. Over the course of the six-day project, 378 bags of milfoil and pondweed were removed from the lake (Annual Maintenance – 26 bags, Northeast Cove – 87 bags, Dam Area – 176 bags, Town Beach Area – 89 bags) and approximately 3.58 acres were cleared.

IN LAKE WATER QUALITY MONITORING

Water Clarity: Water Quality monitoring was performed by the Crystal Lake Association (CLA) and evaluated by Northeast Aquatic Research (NEAR) from April to November in 2021 in the open water areas of the lake. Parameters being tested are water clarity, phosphorous, dissolved oxygen and temperature. Water clarity in the lake was very good in April and May and fair in June. However, from July through September, the Secchi disc depth was approximately 3 Meters, instead of the typical 4 to 6 meter clarity. These measurements were worse than any records from the prior 10 years of sampling. By October, clarity had improved slightly, but was still worse than readings from the same month in prior years. Due to the poor water clarity readings, a sample was collected from Crystal Lake on August 18th for phytoplankton analysis. The sample contained a small number of cyanobacteria and diatoms but was mainly devoid of phytoplankton. However, a notable amount of organic matter (dirt/sediment) was observed in the sample, suggesting that the poor water clarity was mainly due to turbidity. Heavy and frequent rains that occurred in the region from July through September likely caused erosion in the lake's watershed, leading to the increased turbidity in the lake.

Dissolved Oxygen and Temperature: In April, water temperature and dissolved oxygen were stable from the surface to 10 meters, with a decline in both parameters between 10 meters and the lake bottom. By late June, the water below 12 meters was anoxic, meaning oxygen concentrations were less than 1 mg/L. The anoxic boundary (the depth below which the water is anoxic) rose to a maximum height of 5.6 meters, which is significantly higher than anoxic boundary recorded in the prior 6 years. The extreme height of the anoxic boundary from July through October is concerning, because it means that a much larger portion of the lake's water was anoxic, and a large portion of the lake's bottom was exposed to

internal loading, in which nutrients are released into the lake from the bottom sediments. In addition, anoxic water is not suitable for fish and other aquatic life.

Nutrients: Total Phosphorous (TP) remained below 20ppb for the entire 2021 season, though the April and September values were higher than most 1-meter records in recent years. TP In the middle of the water column was elevated in April but remained at or below 20ppb for the season. TP in the bottom water ranged from 14ppb to 34ppb, with the lowest concentration occurring in April and the highest occurring in June. Total nitrogen (TN) concentrations at the top and middle of the water column remained between 147ppb and 349ppb between April and October. TN in the bottom water rose from a low of 476ppb in April to a high of 1,323ppb in October.

Stormwater Sampling Analysis: The stormwater sampling analysis program was continued this year to determine if nutrients from stormwater runoff are adversely impacting the water quality in Crystal Lake. Eight locations identified by NEAR in 2020 have samples collected by volunteers from the Crystal Lake Association (CLA) during the beginning of major rainfall events for laboratory analysis by NEAR for nitrogen and phosphorous. Samples were collected for some of the locations for rain events in June and August of 2021 and February and April of 2022. This information is shared with the Town of Ellington Department of Public Works for use in the CT DEEP required MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) reporting.

Aquatic Plants: Northeast Aquatic Research (NEAR) performed a pre-management aquatic plant survey of the lake on June 16, 2021. They documented 17 plant species along with filamentous algae. Nitella (stonewort), Sagittara teres (quill-leafed arrowhead), and filamentous algae were dominant, meaning that they were present at greater than 20% of waypoints. Myriophyllum heterophyllum (variable-leaf milfoil) was present in the lake's three coves. It was particularly dense in the northern part of the lake in the Dam Area. The milfoil plants in the Town Beach area grow differently than the plants in the coves. It appears that it is a hybrid milfoil (potentially crossed with Myriophyllum verticillatum (whorled milfoil)). Following the suction harvesting of the milfoil plants, a second plant survey was conducted on September 7th. Eighteen plant species were documented during this survey, as well as filamentous algae. The same three species that were dominant during the per-management survey were dominant postmanagement. No recreational Filamentous algae, which can be an indicator of high nutrient concentrations, was abundant along the shoreline. Variable-leaf milfoil remained present in the Dam Area and the Northeast Cove, but was not found by NEAS in Aborn Cove. The hybrid milfoil species was more abundant in the Town Beach area post-management compared to pre-management.

NEAR stated the following in their January 2022 Water Quality and Plant Survey Report: "Suction harvesting efforts have successfully kept the milfoil population contained to the three main areas of the lake. However, this management method, at the level it has been employed, has been unable to completely eradicate the invasive species. Each year, following substantial milfoil removal, regrowth is observed in the area in front of the outlet. If the Crystal Lake community chooses to work towards complete eradication of the milfoil population, and/or if the cost of an herbicide treatment would be more financially manageable than suction harvesting, then the use of ProcellaCOR may be warranted. ProcellaCOR is a selective systematic herbicide, meaning that it designed to target specific plant species by spreading through their vascular systems. It is highly effective against variable-leaf milfoil at low dosages that would not harm most other species. The product has gone through a rigorous permitting process at the federal and state levels and has been deemed safe for use in recreational areas, with no use restrictions following treatment.

The state of New Hampshire has good case studies, that are publically available, that detail ProcellaCOR use on variable–leaf milfoil and multi-year control. Herbicide use in the coves is a potential management option, but use in deep water areas is more challenging and may not be cost-effective due to dilution and difficulty of treating deeper waters. Suction harvesting is still recommended as the primary management technique in the Town Beach area, as these plants grow in deep water and are also spread out across a large area."

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FY 2022 – 2023

- The lake contained a concerning amount of anoxic water in the second half of the 2021 season. An increase in the volume of anoxic water leads to an increased internal loading, along with reduced habitat for fish and other aquatic life. If the volume of anoxic water in the lake remains an issue in the next couple of years, management actions to reduce the amount of anoxic water should be seriously considered and implemented.
- Continue water sampling of the lake waters from April through November
- Continue the annual maintenance in the main body of the lake.

- Continue milfoil removal from the Dam Area at the north end of the lake.
- Continue milfoil removal in the Town Beach area
- Continue milfoil and pondweed removal off of the Northeast Cove.
- Remove pondweed at various locations in the lake.
- Continue the bottom barrier placement performed by the Crystal Lake Association to control milfoil in Aborn Cove near the mouth of Aborn Brook and/or in the Dam Area, as required.
- Perform a comprehensive lake wide aquatic plant survey in the fall of 2022.
- CLA volunteers to continue collecting stormwater samples during major storms for analysis.
- NEAR to conduct an additional stormwater evaluation and testing during a rainfall event.
- NEAR to coordinate Stormwater sampling and results with Town DPW for their MS4

Suction harvesting is anticipated to begin in August, 2022.

AD HOC ELLINGTON TRAILS COMMITTEE

This past year has been another busy one for the Ellington Trails Committee. After significant improvements to the trails in FY2021-2022, much of the focus this past year was on educational programs.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR ACTIVITIES

Improvements and Maintenance of Ellington Trails: The amphitheater and seating (benches) at Batz were completed. A shout out to the Opening Knight Players from Ellington High School, and Eagle Scout Aidan Stratoudakis and Boy Scout Troop 96 for all their work on these major projects!

The Girl Scouts also worked on several projects at Batz including refurbishing the fire pit and installing a web cam to see what animals are on the property. Thank you Girl Scouts!

The community gardeners are a big part of the Batz property. Many thanks to Eagle Scout Ben Lipman for adding a compost bin for the gardeners.

Trails Committee members mulched, raked, and installed bridges at many of the trails and assisted with a clean-up at Windermere as part of Key Bank's "Neighbors Help Make a Difference Day."

Emergency location signs were placed at all trails led by Tom Palshaw with the Hockanum River Association. This allows for people who need help on the trails to be able to contact 911 with their location. Local fire, emergency, and resident troopers all have the maps so can find someone per their location. This is an amazing asset and can serve as a model for other trails in Connecticut. Many thanks to Tom for this valuable resource.

Educational Programs: The Trails Committee hosted or co-hosted several educational programs this year with great attendance.

Jane Seymour led two groups this year at Batz – a talk on pollinators and native species in July, and a bird walk in June.

We were finally able to have Denise Anamani also lead a bird watch in April, after several cancellations due to COVID.

In August, we brought back the popular display of raptors with the Ashford Horizons Wings group.

We continued to collaborate with our great partners, Hall Memorial Library, and the Senior Center, to co-sponsor five lectures by Ginny Apple this year on bobcats, fishers, eagles, beavers, and nocturnal animals.

The Trails Committee worked with Hall Memorial Library this spring to promote their new educational kits which will be available to lend to the public (bird watching kit, astronomy kit with telescope).

Hikes: Besides the specific educational hikes, in June the Committee held or promoted two hikes this year: a CT Trails Day hike at Kimball, and a hike at the Ernie Boothroyd Preserve owned by the Northern CT Land Trust.

Getting the Word Out: In an effort to continue to get the word out on our trails, the Committee had a table with maps and information about our trails at the Ellington Historical Society's Fall Festival in October and the Town's Earth Day event in April.

Trails Chair Linda Anderson appeared on First Selectman Lori Spielman's show on the Community Voice Channel discussing the goals and accomplishments of the Trails Committee.

Looking Forward: Committee member Ken Radziwon has created new maps of all our trails which include the location of the emergency location signs. We plan to get them on the Town's website soon.

The Committee is establishing two new trails in Ellington. Stay tuned for updates in our upcoming pages in the Town's newsletters.

We are pleased to announce that Trail of Treats will be held in 2022! We have been working on handing over the reins to the Ellington Lion's Centennial Club. Stay tuned for more info late this summer.

For an updated list of happenings, go to our Facebook page or the Town of Ellington website under the Calendar of Events section. Or email Linda Anderson at andylin49@earthlink.net if you would like to volunteer, receive email updates or if you have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you.







RESIDENT STATE TROOPERS

The Ellington Resident Troopers Office (RTO) is committed to reducing motor vehicle crashes, thwarting criminal activity and providing residents with a safe environment to live and raise families. This is accomplished through strict enforcement of state statutes, community policing models, D.A.R.E program,

School Resource Officer (SRO) program and active preventative patrol. The RTO continues to supplement enforcement efforts with periodic saturation patrols to help deter criminal activity.

The Office is currently staffed with five (5) Troopers, 13 Town Officers, two (2) School Resource Officers (included in the 13 Town Officers), two (2) Marine Patrol Vessel Operators and one (1) Police Support Specialist (included in the 13 Town Officers). Sergeant Santa #165 has served as the Resident Troopers Office Supervisor since 2016. TFC O'Brien #804 and TFC Burnell #1091 are assigned to the Day Shift patrol. Trooper Monahan #619 and Trooper Frattini #899 are assigned to the evening shift. Officer Barth #CC26 and Officer Keeney #CC13 are assigned as the School Resource Officers. Officer Decker #CC25 is assigned as the Police Support Specialist.

HIGHLIGHTS

During the past year the RTO has continued its tradition of becoming immersed within the community by participating in Town events and assisting Youth Services. Troopers/Officers provide traffic safety and foot patrol to events including the Fireman's Parade/Carnival, Winterfest/5K Race and Farmers Market. The RTO also provides a child ID kit that allows parents to obtain fingerprints and photographs of their children to be used if they become missing/lost.

The Ellington RTO serves as host and lead agency for the Tri-Town (Ellington, Stafford and Somers) Juvenile Review Board (JRB). The JRB consists of TFC T. Burnell (Ellington RTO), sworn member(s) of Somers RTO, sworn member(s) of Stafford RTO, member of Youth Services and a member of State DCF. The JRB is intended to divert from Juvenile Court children who have committed minor delinquent acts or whose behavior at home or school indicates they are at risk of delinquency. The JRB process is voluntary and informal, and include options such as warnings, counseling, apologies or community service. The Ellington RTO also continues its service to the Crystal Lake community of Ellington by providing Marine patrol services on Crystal Lake and increased patrol services on weekends/holidays. Our Marine Patrol administers vessel safety inspections and enforcement on Crystal Lake to promote water safety.

2019 has been a huge success for our prescription drop-box program. We've observed a steady increase of use by residents and have collected hundreds of pounds of un-used/un-wanted medications this year. The medications are then inventoried and then transported to the State Police Narcotics Unit (Meriden, CT) where they are subsequently sent for destruction.

The Ellington RTO in conjunction with the Board of Education and other Town of Ellington Departments, assists school principals with completing "Lock-Down" drills and assessments. The RTO will continue to supply two School Resource Officers for the upcoming school year.

BUILDING OFFICIAL

The Building Official is responsible for public safety, health, and welfare as it relates to the use and occupancy of all town buildings and structures.

The Building Official's office is located in the Town Hall Annex.

Building inspections are generally completed within one or two days of an inspection request.

ACTIVITY REPORT

	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022
New Single Family Homes	19	15	22
New Commercial Buildings	5	2	6
New Multi-Family Buildings	0	0	0
Residential Alterations & Addition	ons 29	44	70
Repairs/Replacements to Existir	ng 202	407	357
Mechanical/Electrical	539	773	715
Other	202	229	129
Totals	1,095	1,470	1,299
Field Inspections	1,079	1,322	1,228
Estimated Construction Value	\$19,028,112	\$22,457,444	\$29,436,422
Permit Fees Collected	\$308,357	\$397,026	\$483,962



FIRE MARSHAL

The Department of Town Fire Marshal performs both investigative and code enforcement roles within our community. Direct responsibility for the investigation of all fires, explosions and hazardous materials incidents and code compliance inspections of most properties (single and two-

family residential properties are exempt) are mandated by Connecticut General Statutes. Applications for administrative and criminal search warrants and for arrest warrants are filed with the court system when

determined by investigation to be appropriate. Annual code compliance inspections are conducted of all special events and all permanent or temporary buildings, occupancies, facilities, whether new, existing or under construction or renovation. The number of mandatory annual inspections approaches 2,850.

In cooperation with the appropriate state agencies, permits are processed for all liquor establishments, day care centers, group day care homes, explosives operations and open burning. Construction plans for buildings and occupancies regulated by the Connecticut Fire Safety Code are examined for approval prior to the issuance of building permits and certificates of occupancy are approved following completion of that construction.

The Department of Town Fire Marshal also administers several public outreach programs to promote fire safety throughout our community. These include the Annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest and the Smoke Alarm Battery Program. In the Poster Contest, elementary school students design posters with fire safety messages and compete at the town, county, and state levels. In the past year, an Ellington student won 1st place at the county-level in the Poster Contest and will have their poster featured in fire safety publications.

The Smoke Alarm Battery Program is to help supply those in need with new 9V batteries (graciously donated through corporate sponsorship) to keep their smoke alarms up-to-date. Batteries are distributed through community partnerships with local food pantries, Human Services, Senior Center, Hall Memorial Library, and the Ellington Housing Authority.

Comparison statistics are provided below as an aid in determining the effects of the past twenty years of town growth and the Town's ability to meet its lawful obligations to fire investigation and code enforcement functions.



Fires can happen anywhere, anytime. This lawnmower was destroyed by an engine fire which occurred during regular use. Early notification to 911 helped prevent a larger loss.

Photo Credit: Ellington Department of Town Fire Marshal

SUMMARY OF SERVICE	'C		
SUMMARI OF SERVICE	2001-2002	2011-2012	2021-2022
Investigations	56	50	58
Criminal (Felony and Misdemeanor ¹)	13	16	1
Non-Criminal	42	31	33
Undetermined	1	3	24
Fire Casualties: Fatal	0	0	0
Non-Fatal	1	2	2
Building Fires	24	17	6
Motor Vehicle Fires	8	2	5
All Other Fires	17	26	13
Non-fire Incidents	2	2	30
Hazardous Materials Incidents	7	8	4
Fire Losses, Total (X \$1000)	\$200.3	\$1,343.1	\$933.5
Criminal	\$2.0	\$258.4	\$10
Non-criminal	\$198.3	\$26.5	\$31.9
Undetermined	0	\$1,034	\$891.6
Value of All Properties	\$3,855.5	\$1,698.5	\$7,040
Exposed to Loss (X \$1000)			
Enforcement Inspections	189	615	1559 ³
Commercial	8	81	221
Public Assembly	17	33	81
Educational	11	20	11
Residential (Multi-family)	102	500	1116
Hazardous Materials	17	17	3
Other	34	19	15
Life Safety Systems	2	2	21
Drills	2	2	63
Enforcement Citations Issued (Misdeme	eanor) 270	205	63
State Licenses and Permits Approved	37	37	25
Open Burning Permits Processed / Appro	oved 59	33	16
Arrests or Referrals	4	3	16

¹ Misdemeanor violations cited as a result of code enforcement inspections are not included here; they are shown at Enforcement Inspections.

² Not administered or recorded by this department at that time.

³ Number of inspections impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and staffing decrease in Q1 of 2022



ELLINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

CHIEF: Jack A. Rich II ASSISTANT CHIEF: Karl S. Neubecker **DEPUTY CHIEFS:** Robert Smith, Michael Gallagher CAPTAIN: Cole Prato LIEUTENANT: Regan Toomey SECRETARY: Michael D. Varney TREASURER: Adam D'Agostino

MEMBERS Valerie Adams

Thomas Adams Steven Breault, Sr. Dominick Cristelli Gary Feldman, Sr. Vincent Gambacorta Greg Larensen Jacob Miceli Keith Ruff John W. Turner

Jonathan Allen Daniel Connors Kevin Gambacorta Iack Rich

Kieran Foster Cameron Cheney Steven Dzen

Brendan Burke Elizabeth Feldman Jared Fongemie Katherine Hanv* Jacob Light Kaila Morrow Randy Smith Dennis Varney Frederica M. Weeks

LIFE MEMBERS

Bryan Blotniski Richard Daugherty Allan Lawrence, Jr. Robert Sandberg, Sr.

CADET MEMBERS

Sourya Beesabathuni Joshua Davis Joshua Gonzalez Jack Spanswick

Gary Feldman, Jr.* Kimberly Gambacorta Peter Hany, Jr. Erich Martin Daniel Parisi Noah St.Germain Aaron Virkler

Frederick Bird

Jordan Chamberlin

Arthur Caldwell

Leonard Descheneaux, Sr. Robert Levandoski Allen Smith

Sujay Chava Kaitlyn Delaney Jaidyn Morrow

HONORARY MEMBERS

Ted Graziani

Stephan Chase *2021 Firefighter of the Year

**Currently on Military Leave



EVFD at Fireman's Fair Parade, September 7, 2019

Photo credit: B. Feldman

The Ellington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. was organized in 1928. We are proud to recognize 94 years of providing the Town of Ellington and its citizens with the finest possible volunteer emergency fire and rescue services.

PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS

The Ellington Volunteer Fire Department's mission is the protection and preservation of life and property during fire and other emergencies in the Town of Ellington; to honor all emergency calls, and to support fire prevention education activities. Currently the Ellington Volunteer Fire Department is rated by the Insurance Service Organization (ISO) as a class 5/5Y. During the past several years, the types of incidents, the added frequency as well as growth within the town, has demanded increased levels of training, equipment and expertise in new technologies by our volunteers.

The greatest care and concern are given to those who become sick or injured. The most up to date rescue tools and techniques are used to extricate those who have become injured as the result of a motor vehicle or industrial accidents. Our rescue personnel work with the Ellington Ambulance to provide the best possible care for the sick and injured. For those patients in need of advanced life support or trauma team services, the Rockville General Hospital Paramedic Unit, frequently supported by the Life Star Helicopter transport team, are requested.

The Ellington Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. formally signed a multi-year agreement in 2009 to provide services to the Town of Ellington as outlined in the Town of Ellington Charter as revised.

During these last few years there has been a greater need for additional volunteers. Every volunteer fire department across the state is experiencing shortages of manpower. It is not easy with today's employment and family commitments to be a volunteer firefighter. Many hours of training are required to be a part of our emergency service delivery team.

For information about how you can become a volunteer or if you wish to learn more about your local emergency services, you can pick up information at the Town Hall, the Ellington Center Fire House on Main St., visit our award winning website at: www. ellingtonfire.org, our Facebook page at: facebook.com/ellingtonfd or leave us a message at 860-870-3190.

INCIDENT REPORT SUMMARY

Below is a summary of emergency response statistics for the time period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. During this period, the department responded to 912 emergency calls totaling 554 hours, which equated to more than 3435 donated man-hours for emergency services.

Significant incident activity for the year included large single family residential fires, motor vehicle fires and the ever increasing number of medical calls.

The following outlines the emergency activity and related services provided by the department to the Town of Ellington:

Fire, Explosion
Structural/Building fire
Cooking Fire
Chimney Fuel Burner/
Boiler Malfunction or Fire Confined1
Vehicle/Mobile Property fire5
Forest, Brush, grass fires
Refuse, Construction, Dumpster, Landfill fire
Outside fire other1
Rescue, Emergency Medical Service
Medical assist, assist EMS crew
Vehicle accident, Extrication from vehicle
Extrication, Rescue other 2
Removal of victim from stalled elevator1
Rescue Standby or other Rescue5
Hazardous Condition, Standby54
Flammable/Combustible liquid spill
Natural Gas or LPG Leak5
Chemical Hazard2
Carbon monoxide incident 11
Electrical Equipment problem/Overheated Motor7
Power line down
Arching, shorted electrical equipment2
Vehicle Accident no Extrication
Aircraft Standby 2
Service Call
Service Call, Other
Person in Distress
Lock Out
Water or Steam problem/Water Evacuation
Smoke, odor removal
Animal Rescue
Public service assistance/Assist Invalid
Assist police or other government agency
Cover assignment, standby, move up
Good Intent Call
Good Intent Call , Other
Cancelled enroute, wrong location
Odor of Smoke Steam or vapor
Hazardous Materials Investigation
False call other
Alarm System malfunction
Unintentional alarm
Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO
Other
Severe Weather or Natural Disaster Standby
Lightning strike (no fire)
Special Type of Incident , other
Totals

To report an emergency, enhanced 911 telephone services are available throughout our community. Persons reporting emergencies are able to communicate directly with our regional emergency dispatch center.

MEMBERSHIP TRAINING & ACTIVITIES

During the year, Ellington firefighters spent over 5000 hours in departmental training activities. Several officer drills were conducted in the area of planning, management skills, interoperable communications, incident command and regional response plans. The Ellington Volunteer Fire Department hosted a nationally recognized speaker to increase operational safety. Training sessions were also conducted throughout the year with surrounding mutual aid fire and rescue departments in topics such as: National Incident Management System (NIMS), Rural Water Supply and Live Fire Training. The Ellington Fire Department also hosted and sponsored several courses this past year including; Emergency Medical Technician and Emergency Medical Responder refresher course, Firefighting and Rescue, Hazardous Materials and OSHA reviews.

Attendance at regionally sponsored training programs included classes in the following skills; firefighting, hazardous materials, emergency medical training, incident command, live burn exercises, decontamination, management and planning, water rescue, and several areas of technical rescue. The Connecticut Fire Academy, Department of Energy & Environmental Protection, Office of Emergency Medical Services, National Fire Academy, or other recognized organization/agency, accredited all courses attended.

Members of our department also attended specialty courses held at the International Fire Chiefs Conferences and the New England Fire Chiefs Conference in Ledyard CT.

Live burn exercises were conducted regionally by EVFD personnel for area departments utilizing the department's live burn trailer, which was funded by a federal grant.

We are extremely proud of our high levels of training and certifications held by our members in Ellington. Several of our members are adjunct faculty for many of the area regional fire schools as well as the State Fire and Emergency Medical Training programs.

Current Levels of members' certifications include: *(only the highest level is listed)*

Fire Fighter I
Fire Fighter II/III
Fire Service Instructor I
Fire Service Instructor II
Fire Service Instructor III
Fire Officer I
Fire Officer II
Fire Officer III
Fire Officer IV
Safety Officer
Pump Operator
Aerial Operator
Hazardous Materials Operational17
Hazardous Materials Technician
Emergency Medical Technician
Emergency Medical Responder
Emergency Medical Services Instructor

EQUIPMENT

All safety inspections for apparatus and equipment were conducted as required by DOT, DMV, OSHA and NFPA. It should be noted that extensive efforts were necessary to meet these regulations due to the age of the front line apparatus. Examples of specific annual tests include: annual apparatus safety inspections, ladder, hose, pump, SCBA, SCBA cylinders, and all fire extinguishers.

This year we continued a program with the Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps to consolidate the purchase of our respective agencies' emergency medical service equipment and supplies. This promotes standardization of equipment and the leverage of bulk purchases.

FACILITY

The center fire house, Station 43, located at 29 Main Street houses 8 vehicles, our marine rescue trailer and most department offices, equipment and records. Department meetings and trainings are also conducted at this facility. During this year we continued with our regular maintenance and safety inspections. This facility now has a complete fire suppression sprinkler system as well as a vehicle exhaust ventilation system. Improvements to the facility will continue through the next fiscal year.

Station 243, located at 6 Nutmeg Drive, houses the ladder / pumper truck, a fire pumper and a small rescue, as well as store the utility terrain vehicle and our hazardous materials response unit as well as additional equipment needed for hazardous materials response. Station 243 is also equipped with a vehicle exhaust ventilation system.

SPECIALTY TEAMS

The Ellington Volunteer Fire Department members are active participants in several regional and statewide teams supporting regional emergency service activities. Members actively participate on The Capital Regional Hazardous Materials Response and Incident Management Teams in addition to the Tolland County Mutual Aid Fire Service Dive Team and Search and Rescue Team. The Ellington Volunteer Fire Department also actively participates on several State Fire Rescue Disaster Plan; Strike Teams and Task Forces. Responses of our members of these teams included several incident management team activations around the state, hazardous materials incidents in the capitol region, dive team responses throughout the Tolland County area as well as Strike Team and Task Force deployments in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

CADET FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM

The Cadet Program is open to youths between the ages of fourteen and nineteen. Cadets have the opportunity to participate in the same programs and training as the regular membership in addition to their own dedicated training and activities. Their participation at emergency incidents is restricted to assure they are not exposed to hazardous activities. The insights and support they bring to the fire department represents a valuable part of our organization. As they grow in experience and age they are brought into the organization where there training continues.

FIRE PREVENTION & PUBLIC FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION

The Fire Prevention and Public Education Team had another busy year. Over 20 public education programs were conducted including presentations at Kindergarten through Grade 2 elementary schools, Pre-K programs in addition to other area nursery schools. The presentations were designed for younger children with the emphasis on attempting to build a comprehensive understanding about fire and awareness of safety. During the year we also provided several tours to groups at our firehouse and spoke to other organizations on fire and safety related issues. Please contact us if you would like to set up an appointment for us to host or speak to your organization.

INCENTIVE PROGRAM

It is essential that we continue to support the volunteer character of the emergency services that protect our community. To aid in this effort the Town of Ellington's emergency services instituted a program to provide funds to run a volunteer incentive program in an attempt to attract new volunteers as well as increase the activity of the current members. Members are paid a monetary stipend based on their activity levels. Since the inception of the program, we believe the program has benefited the town by attracting more members and increasing the activity of the existing staff.

FUTURE PLANNING

The town continues to experience an increased growth rate and we have continued planning to meet the needs of our community in the years to come. The need for improved and additional facilities to adequately provide protection to the entire community, apparatus replacement and relocation, are areas of immediate concern. The town has an emergency services committee and had previously hired a consultant to review the services provided to the town by the emergency service agencies to address these areas which need improvement. A new study needs to be completed as the previous study is now 15 years old. With the new development and growth in our community a third party study needs to be completed to reinforce that we are planning for the future adequately.

Thank you for your continued support, respect and help in making this, the 89th year of our service to the community, a safe and successful year for everyone.

For more information on our department's activities and programs please visit us on the internet at www.ellingtonfire.org or www.facebook.com/ellingtonfd.

E911 MUNICIPAL COORDINATOR

This office has several key functions that help to deliver efficient emergency services to the citizens of Ellington. Since the start of the statewide E911 emergency network your local coordinator has maintained a Master Street Address Guide, MSAG, for the telephone computer database. This ensures that all streets and all street numbers assigned to properties on those streets are within the parameters of the E911 database guide.

New streets are added to the database at time of construction. Existing streets are adjusted for extensions or additional lots. Several times during a year, conflicts will arise and need to be reviewed by this office. I also consult with the Planning Department and Building Official concerning street names and house numbering.

In cooperation with the Ellington Volunteer Fire Department, Crystal Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps and the Connecticut State Police Resident Troopers Office, this office ensures the efficient handling of all 911 calls for assistance. As a member of a regional dispatch center that serves as our Primary Service Answering Point, PSAP, the Town of Ellington can provide a professional answering and dispatch service at a very economical rate.

Legislated financial support for regional dispatch centers and 911 PSAP's distributes funds for the continued operation of these vital communication centers. Funds collected from telephone user fees are distributed to all eligible dispatch centers across the State of Connecticut. The funding formula for distribution of these revenues' supplements operating expenses, capital improvements and dispatcher training.

The member towns of the regional centers will continue to supplement the operational expenses for the dispatching services. Through the period of the COVID pandemic, FY 20-21 and FY 21-22, the Board of Directors of the regional center held the member towns assessment at a constant level. A sub-committee of the Board of Directors has reviewed the municipal assessment formula and recommended changes starting in FY 22-23.

It should be noted that thru the entire period of the COVID Pandemic to date, the Tolland County Mutual Aid Fire Service, Inc. regional center stayed in full operation, without any interruption in service to the municipalities.

Increase usage of the system, communications coverage and inter-operability between jurisdictions and agencies continues to be a priority and a challenge for the county planning committee as they move forward to implement the long-range plan. Dispatch software upgrades, base radio replacements, communication links across the region and working thru the sunsetting of the low band communications network are challenges that are being addressed. A Bond Grant from the State of Connecticut will help to facilitate some of the infrastructure up-grades.

A Mobile Command unit has been outfitted for field service assignment for large and lengthy duration events.



CRYSTAL LAKE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF: Timothy Seitz ASSISTANT CHIEF: Chad Adams DEPUTY CHIEF: Robert Edwards FIRE CAPTAIN: Annmarie Seitz EMS CAPTAIN: James Adkins 1ST LIEUTENANT: Douglas Rogala 2ND LIEUTENANT: Michael D'Averso 3RD LIEUTENANT: Vacant 4TH LIEUTENANT: Bryan Harvell SECRETARY: Annmarie Seitz TREASURER: Bryan Harvell

MEMBERS

Chad Adams James Adkins Krystina Adkins Michael Allen Michael D'Averso Rileigh Dunn Britney Edwards Robert Edwards Douglas Gebhardt, Jr. Douglas Gebhardt, Sr. Bryan Harvell Alberto Rivera Cindy Rivera Douglas Rogala Annmarie Seitz Timothy Seitz Dakota Sharpe Fred Sharpe, Jr. Scott Small John Streiber Anna Tuttle

David Bregoli

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS Jessica Harvell Cindy Bregoli

Cindy Bregoli LIFE MEMBERS

William Morrison

Charles Pippin

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS CHAIRMEN: Mike Bialozynski CO-CHAIRMEN: Mike Discenza CLERK: Annmarie Seitz

BOARD: Annmarie Seitz, Bonnie Brush, Brittany Edwards

The Crystal Lake Fire Department (CLFD) continues to serve the Crystal Lake Community with superior fire and emergency medical services while also providing assistance to surrounding communities. The department members have proudly volunteered to serve their community for the last 88 years. The primary mission of CLFD will always be the protection and preservation of life and property during each fire, medical, or rescue related emergency. The department is staffed by trained volunteers who are state and nationally certified Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, and Emergency Medical Responders. All members operate out of "Station 42", which is located at 316 Sandy Beach Road, and is home to all of the department's apparatus and equipment. Annually the members volunteer thousands of hours of their personal time, which is time away from their homes and families, to keep their neighbors and community safe. We are proud of the dedication and commitment of the membership which makes the success of the department possible.

The Crystal Lake Fire Department responded to a total of 255 calls for service, totaling 1,842 hours volunteered to fulfill the emergency needs of the community. CLFD is fully prepared to respond to and mitigate numerous types of emergencies, including structure fires, vehicle fires, hazardous materials emergencies, motor vehicle accidents, emergency medical incidents, water emergencies, and technical rescues.

In order to effectively operate at various emergency scenes each member has to maintain, often exceeding, the strict skills and certifications required by the State of CT and the department. This is done through in-house training drills/classes and by attending courses offered by the Connecticut Fire Academy, Hartford County Regional Fire School, Eastern Connecticut Regional Fire School, Department of Environmental Protection, and the Office of Emergency Medical Services. Our members participated in a total of 1,686 hours of training during the course of the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Some of the courses that our members typically complete include: Fire Officer, Fire Service Instructor, Firefighting, Hazardous Materials, Emergency Medical Services, Incident Command, Incident Safety Officer, Live Burn Exercises, Rapid Intervention Team, Extrication, Search and Rescue, Scuba Diving, and Technical Rescue.

This year the town began working more collaboratively with the Ellington Volunteer Fire Department and have begun to assist them with additional staffing and apparatus from the Crystal Lake Fire Department during "workday" hours. We provide automatic mutual aid to them for serious incidents Monday-Friday from 6:00am until 6:00pm. This has been great for both departments as we have been able to work together more often making us a stronger and more collaborative team.

This year we were finally able to return to Crystal Lake Elementary School and do our annual fire safety presentation for the kids. This is a time where the members get to interact with the youth of the town and shed some light on what the fire department does for the community and give some fire safety tips. This year we did a modified outdoor presentation and tour of the firetrucks to maintain all COVID regulations. This is always a treat for the kids of the community and for our membership.

Medical emergencies make up the largest portion of our call volume in district. Crystal Lake residents have become accustomed to receiving a quick response from a trained professional providing the best care possible whenever a 911 call has to be made. This is what we always strive to provide at every call, every time. Our highly trained medical personnel, consisting of Emergency Medical Technicians and Emergency Medical Responders, work seamlessly with multiple agencies, including Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps, to ensure the best prehospital medical care possible. If a patient should require a more advanced level of care, members will work closely with an Advanced Life Support provider, known as a Paramedic, usually provided by American Medical Response (AMR) or Ambulance Service of Manchester (ASM). At times, CLFD will request a Life Star Helicopter should a patient sustain an injury or illness requiring rapid transport to a specialized facility that provides a higher level of care. Our main concern is always making sure our patients receive the best pre hospital care possible in a timely manner.

Station 42 continues to be dispatched by Tolland County Mutual Aid Fire Service, where they handle all of its emergency communications. The department also continues to participate in the county wide emergency task force through our mutual aid agreements providing manpower, equipment, and water to our surrounding communities should the need arise. The dedicated



Fire Officers of the Crystal Lake Fire Department have completed 6,732 hours of administrative and support work including completing all incident reports, equipment testing, and town required paperwork. The Officers serve the department in a supervisory role at all emergency calls in and out of district and are in charge of running meetings and routine operations at the station. The Officers are also responsible for making sure there are always members available to provide proper coverage of the Crystal Lake district ensuring the residents receive immediate service when they are in need.

The Crystal Lake Fire Department currently has 21 members and is always looking to expand its membership with new residents who take an active interest in the fire or medical services. Training is provided by the department for new dedicated volunteers! If you would like to receive more information about volunteering please stop into the fire station Mondays at 7pm and speak with a member, visit www. crystallakefire.org, or call (860)870-3174. CLFD offer a junior membership program to the youth of the community. Junior members are able to join at sixteen years of age and have the opportunity to train with adult members and operate on the scene of emergencies while under the supervision of an advisor to learn about fire and medical services.

SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS

Fires and Explosions Total	26
Structure Fires	12
Outdoor Equipment Fire	
Vehicle Fire	
Rubbish, Trash, or Waste Fire	
Natural Vegetation or Brush Fires	
Fire, Other	
Rescue Call Total	
Emergency Medical Incident or Assist	83
Emergency Medical Service Incident, Other	31
Motor Vehicle Accident/ Vehicle Extrication	
Trapped by Power Lines	
Search for Person in Water	
Hazardous Condition Total	
Gasoline or Other Flammable Liquid Spill	
Gas Leak (natural Gas or LPG)	
Chemical Spill or Leak	
Power Line Down	
Accident, Potential Accident, Other	
Service Call Total	
Service Call, Other	
Smoke or Odor Removal	
Water Problem, Evacuation	4
Public Service Assistance	
Cover Assignment, Standby	
Good Intent Call Total	
Good Intent Call, Other	
Dispatched and Cancelled Enroute	
Smoke Scare, Odor of Smoke	
False Alarm Call Total	
False Alarm or False Call, Other	
Smoke Detector Activation	
CO Detector Activation	
Alarm System Malfunction	
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	
Flood Assessment	
Severe Weather Standby	1



ELLINGTON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS

PRESIDENT: Peter Hany, Sr. VICE PRESIDENT: Bruce Hoffman TRAINING: Nicole Caron SECRETARY: Melissa McCann TREASURER: Joshua Rosenfeld SCHEDULER: Alisa Smith **SUPPLY:** Nicole Caron MAINTENANCE: Peter Hany, Sr. PUBLIC RELATIONS: Nicole Nguyen

ACTIVE MEMBERS Peter Hany, Sr.

Mitch Laforge

Ed Landsberg

Melissa McCann

PAID STAFF

Isabelle Hovt

Deborah Landry-Schiessl

Erich Martin

Kaila Morrow

Rachel Oakes

April Phelps

LIFE MEMBERS

Ryan Anderson Nicole Caron Amanda Kolesinski Dorota Gdula Rebekah Gerber Joseph Griffin

Chad Adams Alex Bohr Kim Courville Kerri Cushing Kimberly Gambacorta Mike Girard

> Ray Close Doreen Connor Jean-Marie Currier Renee Cyr

Dan Flanagan Bruce Hoffman Steve Kratzke Denise Rioux

HONORARY MEMBERS

Tonya Glomboske Tom Palshaw LAST CALL

Joe Glomboske

PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS

The Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps (EVAC) has been providing emergency medical services to the Town of Ellington and its surrounding communities for the past 60 years. All crews and equipment meet or exceed the State of Connecticut requirements and remain fully licensed through examination and inspection.

An active first response system allows EVAC and both fire departments to render immediate lifesaving care when it is needed most. All EVAC members that live in Ellington are provided with first responder medical supplies and are encouraged to respond whenever possible.

In this past fiscal year alone, EVAC responded to 1,807 calls. We strive to provide the best possible care, and are always training for the next call.

EVAC continues its commitment to continuing medical education with online training assignments and monthly training drills, at which both fire departments are now invited so we can train together. There are many opportunities for additional training and courses with local hospitals and our partners in the region.

EVAC not only has American Heart Association CPR and First Aid qualified instructors on staff to offer training to various organizations and individuals in our community, but also has 5 State of CT certified EMS Instructors (3 newly certified in 2022) who can teach a magnitude of knowledge to their members as well as individuals and community. EVAC personnel are also trained as state examiners for skills testing.

As a responsible municipal member of the Town of Ellington, EVAC is working in conjunction with the other emergency departments to streamline services and reduce costs to taxpayers whenever possible. EVAC is the central purchasing point for all EMS supplies for the townwide fire and rescue services. Additionally, money generated by ambulance billing funds EMS supply purchases and staffing costs, resulting in a reduction of the town budget.

In late 2021, EVAC wrote a grant request and received \$4,125 in funding to support English As Second Language (ESL) Emergency Medical Training (CPR, First Aid, etc.) for ESL students in Ellington and surrounding communities. These students went on to complete training as certified nursing assistants and are now filling gaps in the healthcare workforce - and able to care for a wide variety of patients in need.

Nicole Nguyen James O'Donnell Joshua Rosenfeld John Streiber Greg York

Chris Phelps Caitlin Sutyak Holly Swiney Aaron Virkler Noah Welti

Angela Sandberg Krista Schulz Alisa Smith

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In early 2023, EVAC, along with Ellington Volunteer Fire Department, Crystal Lake Fire Department, Ellington CERT, Connecticut State Police, and Ellington Police will complete a town wide drill for an active shooter event in order to continue to maintain our well trained Rescue Task Force in case of one of these incidents. Members across all three Ellington Departments are part of this Task Force and train in the TECC (Tactical Emergency Casualty Care) program, which is a civilian version of the U.S. military program. This program is meant to teach participants how to respond to active shooter events as medical providers. Our Rescue Task Force has been outfitted with ballistic helmets and body armor.

EVAC participates in the national awareness campaign called Stop The Bleed, which trains bystanders the basics of bleeding control. Classes have been completed for all of our current members, offered to all new providers, and are available to the community as needed.

EVAC members also maintain a presence on the national Emergency Medical Services stage by serving on various national committees (such as the National Association of EMTs, International College of Advanced Practice Paramedics, American Heart Association etc.). Members are also involved locally, within the CT OEMS Region 3 Committee and the Tolland Windham County Mutual Aid Ambulance Association. Additionally, members are engaged in speaking activities at a wide array of local and national conferences such as EMS World, Oregon EMS Association, etc.

MEMBERSHIP

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our families, friends, neighbors, and the Town of Ellington for your continued support throughout the year. Many businesses, individuals, churches, and other organizations have been very generous in providing equipment to keep us and our families safe, as well as monetary donations, meals, and many words of encouragement. We have been extremely blessed and lucky to have such a generous community and cannot thank each of you enough. Your support is so important to us as we strive to make our community a safer place to live.

Like any active organization, EVAC is always looking for new motivated members. Prospective members must be committed to providing high quality emergency care at any hour of the day or night. EVAC provides uniforms, continuing education, and equipment to all members at no cost. Not yet an EMT? EVAC has programs to cover the cost of initial training as well.

For additional information, please call us at 860-870-3170 visit our website at ellingtonambulance.org, or email us at information@ ellingtonambulance.org. Check out our Instagram @ellingtonambulance or Facebook @ellingtonamb to learn more about us and all of the exciting things that we do!

ELLINGTON ANIMAL CONTROL PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS

Ellington Animal Control is responsible for the enforcement of the Connecticut State Laws pertaining to domestic animals. This department responds to complaints of violations of animal control laws, maintains the animal control facility as well as enforcing the State dog licensing regulations. The officers also investigate complaints of vicious, diseased or neglected and abused animals as well as impounding stray and roaming dogs. Impounded animals are cared for at the animal control facility by the officers. Unclaimed animals are carefully evaluated before being placed for adoption.

Following the month of June, when all dog owners must renew their dog licenses for the year, a search for unlicensed dogs and any delinquent dog licenses begins. There is a penalty for failure to license under CT Statue 22-349 which is a \$75 fine. The penalty for failure to vaccinate for rabies is \$136, under the CT Statue 22-339b*.

The Officers do assist the police and the public with animal emergencies. The Animal Control Department makes every effort to ensure that all functions of this department and the operation of the shelter are carried out in the most economical manner with cost savings in mind, while providing the highest degree of professional service to the townspeople. The Animal Control Department consists of Animal Control Officer Barbara Murdach, Assistant Animal Control Officer Kathy DiBacco, as well as four per diem Assistant ACO's, Kim Gambacorta, Eric Boucher, Nicole Usher, and James Lockhart. The shelter is open to the public seven days a week, but since we do work part-time we require appointments to see the animals available for adoption or to redeem your dog. To reach Animal Control, please call (860) 870-3155. The Animal Control Facility, located on Main Street behind the Fire Station, is the holding quarters for stray, roaming, and relinquished dogs, and quarantined dogs and cats.

Nuisance wildlife calls are handled through the State of CT D.E.E.P. Wildlife Department. That phone number is (860)424-3333. They also have a website that gives information on wildlife rehabilitators and nuisance wildlife. Our department does respond to sick or injured wildlife and any wildlife that exhibits signs of rabies. We also advise the public of ways to resolve issues with wildlife living in their neighborhood.

Ellington Animal Control provides assistance to the community so that pets and people can co-exist safely. An important role of this department is to work closely with the public to educate about laws, solve problems and offer advice on the care and concerns of pet ownership.

Ellington Animal Control has a Facebook page with animal care information, lost & found animals and pets available for adoption. We are very grateful for the support and help we get through our network of friends. Keeping the community involved and up to date on current events and news is extremely important for our department. We do ask that you please contact our office directly by telephone for complaints and reports of lost & found animals, so we can attend to them properly.

The State of CT Animal Population Control Program, offers a Low-Income Pet Sterilization voucher when funds are available. This program helps Connecticut low-income residents by providing vaccination/sterilization vouchers for their pets. An application must be completed and submitted to the CT State Animal Control Division. Applications are available at our office or online. To qualify, the applicant must already qualify for one of the lowincome state assistance programs listed on the application. For more information, please call the State Animal Population Control Program Unit at: (860) 713-2507.

Ellington Animal Control has a web page to view adoptable shelter pets on Petfinder.com. This website has greatly increased our ability to find our homeless pets new homes, as well as posting found animals in search of their owners. The adoptable animals are spending less time in the shelter waiting to be adopted. The internet has offered us greater exposure for advertising these homeless pets. Dogs and cats are adopted out under the Connecticut Animal Population Control Program. This program is for unaltered pets adopted from a Connecticut municipal shelter and provides two vaccinations and assists with the costs of sterilization. The Animal Population Control Program intends to reduce the overpopulation of unwanted dogs and cats and to also reduce the cost and burden to the towns coping with pet overpopulation. The fee for adopting a pet under this program is \$50 which includes the voucher.

RECENT UPDATES

There are new are changes made by the State of Connecticut regarding Quarantine orders for animals that bite or attack humans or any domestic animals. The changes are to the duration and location of quarantine. These changes became effective on July 1, 2019. The quarantine period for a dog, cat or ferret that has bitten or attacked a person or another animal is shortened from 14 days to 10 days. If the animal has a current rabies vaccination, a biting or attacking dog, cat or ferret may be quarantined on the premises of the animal's owner if the ACO determines the premises are adequate for quarantine purposes. However, if the animal does not have a current rabies vaccination, a biting or attacking dog, cat or ferret must be quarantined in a public dog pound, veterinary hospital or commercial kennel approved by the state veterinarian and must receive a rabies vaccination on the 10th day of quarantine. It is very important to keep your pets Rabies vaccinations up to date.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Animal Control Department has been transferred to the supervision of the Resident State Troopers' supervisor. This transfer was effective as of June 14, 2022. The Animal Control Department will also fall under the Police Accountability Act. At this time we are still waiting for more information on all these new changes.

Another new change to take place will be the new dispatching system from the Tolland County Mutual Aid Fire Services. This service will include computer aided dispatch (CAD) software and records management system that will track officer's activity. This change will take place later in the summer of 2022.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

It is the duty of the Department of Public Works to maintain, repair, clean, and remove snow from all public streets and ways; maintain and operate storm sewers and other drains; care for and maintain all town buildings other than those under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education; prepare or supervise the preparation of plans and specifications for the construction or reconstruction of streets, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, storm sewers, drains, public buildings and other structures and construct or supervise the construction of the same; to care for parks, grassed areas in streets and public grounds, including athletic fields under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education and the Parks and Recreation Commission; to plant and care for trees within the street line; to enforce ordinances imposing on owners of property obligations to construct and maintain sidewalks, curbs, gutters, storm sewers and drains; contract with the Water Pollution Control Authority for the maintenance of the facilities and grounds which come under the jurisdiction of the Water Pollution Control Authority.

HIGHLIGHTS

ROAD WORK

- Roads Overlayed: Tolland Turnpike, Shepard Way, Carolyn Circle, Jonathan Drive, Middle Road, Florence Avenue, Abbott Road dirt portion and Grassy Hill Road
- Storm damage repairs on Kibbe Road and Bancroft Road
- Reclaimed dirt portion of Ladd Road
- Streets Rubber Chip Sealed: Tolland Turnpike, Abbott Road, Gail Drive, Virginia Drive, and Linden Drive
- Milling and paving: Shepard Way, Jonathan Drive, and Carolyn Circle
- Catch basin repairs on Shepard Way, Jonathan Drive, Carolyn Circle, Abbott Road, Justin Drive, Ryan Drive, Megan Circle, Center School, Burbank Road, and Webster Road
- Schoolhouse Road improvements continuing
- High School parking lot crack and fog sealed

ENGINEERING PROJECTS

- Route 83 Sidewalks design and coordination
- Stein Road Parking Lot
- Basketball and Tennis Court coordination
- Comprehensive Lighting Package design and coordination
- Crystal Lake Church parking lot design and coordination
- Schoolhouse and Newell Street design
- Strawberry Road Bridge design and coordination with CTDOT

BUILDING PROJECTS

- New Furnace at Hall Memorial Library
- Completed demolition of 80 Maple Street
- Bird Netting installed at Library to keep birds out of HVAC systems
- Veterans Memorial on Town Green completed and MIA/POW memorial moved
- Continued Engineering work for Route 83 Sidewalk Project
- Assessor's office remodeled

While we are going through many changes and new learning experiences we will continue to give our best to service the people of Ellington and to protect the animals that we are here for.

On a final note, Ellington Animal Control is very grateful to all the local town people, groups and local businesses that have made donations to the Ellington Animal Control Facility. These donations help make the animals that come through our facility a little more comfortable and well fed. It is wonderful to work for a community that cares so much for animals.

If a man aspires toward a righteous life, his first act of abstinence is from injury to animals. – Albert Einstein

- Town Clerk vault flooring replaced
- Office rework at Parks and Recreation Building
- New desk console for Nicholas J. DiCorleto Meeting Hall
- Ambulance Building roof replacement
- Hall Memorial Library engineering and coordination

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

• Freightliner Plow Truck, Grounds Tractor, small equipment items

WINTER SNOW REMOVAL

- 19 Call Outs for 36" of snow
- Purchased 1,538 tons of treated salt, 275 tons of road salt

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

- 2021-22 Ellington residents recycled 1,200 tons
- Recycling/Trash Monitor hired for inspecting and educating residents in proper recycling
- The DPW shed is open Monday-Friday from 6:30am-3:30pm and on the MidNEROC schedule which is the third Saturday of the month from 9am -12 noon April-October
- Electronics recycled: 25.43 tons
- Textiles recycled: 6.9 tons. Textiles are either donated or recycled depending on the condition. Also included are linens, footwear, belts, hats and purses, as well as stuffed animals. Items must be bagged.
- Continue to offer compost bins and rain barrels for sale to residents

MISCELLANEOUS

- Held DPW Open House and Fil-A-Truck after a two year hiatus due to COVID
- Trails Committee coordination
- Coordination with Vernon and Stafford WPCA officials and boards

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

- Continuing to monitor the H2S4 levels at the Vernon Pump Station
 Continuing grinder pump inspections and maintenance at Crystal Lake
- The Fats Oil and Grease (FOG) program is continuing to be monitored
- Yearly wet well cleaning
- Replaced pump at Vernon Pump station
- Sewer manholes raised
- Sewer camera truck used in conjunction with Stafford and Vernon
- I&I information collected with Fuss & O'Neill in Longview Area of town
- Set up October invoice reductions for residents with irrigation system

RECREATION

- Overseeding and aerating fields
- Beach maintenance
- Mow and line ballfields per schedules
- Monitor irrigation systems
- Yearly inspection of bleachers, grandstands and playscapes
- Responded to Trails Committee requests

TRASH & RECYCLING 2023 COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Recyclables are collected every other week. Shaded weeks = pick-up weeks

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All items for curbside pick-up must be placed outside by 6:00 a.m. on pick-up day

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED - NO COLLECTION

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Christmas	Monday, December 25th Monday, January 1, 2024

- When a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there is no delay in the collection schedule.
- Collection schedule is delayed one day after the holiday for the remainder of the week.
- The delay does not extend into the week after a holiday
- No delay in collection for New Year's week, January 1, 2023.

Bulky Waste Pickup: 860-289-7850

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OFFICE OF EMERGENCY & RISK MANAGEMENT

The Office of Emergency & Risk Management (OERM) consists of; the Emergency & Risk Management Director, two Deputy Emergency Management Directors and the Ellington CERT Team under the direction of a Deputy Director. The Unit's mission is to prepare the Town to respond to all emergency incidents; weather related, hazmat issues, and human initiated mass casualty events. The primary goals of the OERM Office are; the preservation of life, recovery from emergency incidents, the education of the Town residents, schools and businesses in preparing for an emergency incident, limiting liability to the town, and preservation of the physical and human assets of the Town of Ellington for the successful continuation of its operations.

PURPOSE

The OERM develops, maintains and updates Emergency Operation Plans. The plans enable the Town to respond to all emergency incidents in an expeditious and coordinated manner. Preparation for emergency incidents entails; training drills, testing equipment, response time, coordination with fire, police, ambulance and hospitals in the Tolland County area. During an actual Emergency Incident, the First Selectman is the Director of the emergency response. It is OERM's responsibility to have current data concerning the Town's; businesses, schools and population areas. This information provides the scope of an Emergency Incident. The OERM manages Town resources during a disaster. The OEM is the conduit between the Town, and the State and Federal Government, when assistance is needed during disasters.

PREPARATION, TRAINING, ACTIVITIES

Due to various State and Federal protocols and restrictions, put in place because of the Corona Virus Pandemic, a large scale exercise involving the Town's Emergency Service Units was not conducted. Plans are in place to conduct a large scale exercise involving all Town Emergency Service Units in October '22.

The OERM worked with the Board of Education, Police and Fire Departments in conducting monthly Lock-Down and Fire Drills at the Ellington School Facilities. The OERM Director attends districtwide and facility specific school safety and climate meetings. The OERM Director is working with the Resident Troopers Office and Board of Education (BOE) Central Office Staff to update and conduct school based emergency response training programs for staff and students. Continual working with BOE facilities director and the Resident Troopers Office to ensure all school emergency equipment, protocols, and devices are working effectively and making repairs and changes as necessary.

During large scale Emergency Incidents, Ellington High School and Crystal Lake School are the primary Town Emergency Shelters. The Middle School is the back-up Emergency Shelter. Each shelter has an emergency generator providing full power to each facility. Each facility is able to provide; heat, food, showers and overnight stays for residents in need, during an Emergency Incident. The Emergency Shelters are able to provide care for a resident's household pet.

The Ellington CERT team operates the shelters during activation. An Ellington Ambulance member and a Police Officer are assigned to the shelter when it is open.

The Office of Emergency Management applied for and was approved for the following grants; Emergency Management Performance Grant and Homeland Security Grant. The money from these grants will be applied to the Town Budget. Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, the Ellington Office of Emergency Management, worked with; the First Selectman's Office, Vernon Emergency Management Office, North Central District Health Department and the Primary Urgent Care

Center in Ellington, in providing vaccine clinics for Ellington Residents and other individuals who wanted to be vaccinated. Clinics were conducted at the Ellington Senior Center. Through the State of Connecticut's Department of Public Health and Department



of Emergency Manage-ment and Homeland Security, Ellington OERM received and distributed 18,000 N-95 masks and 2,298 Rapid Test Kits to its community.

The Director of Emergency Management is a committee member of and attends meetings regularly with the Connecticut Interlocking Risk Management Associations (CIRMA) Operations and Underwriting Committee, CIRMA's Risk Management Advisory Committee, Capitol Region School Emergency Management, Connecticut Region 3 Emergency Management, CCROG – Capitol Region Emergency Planning Council, Ellington's Emergency Services Committee, Co-Chair of Ellington School's Safety and Climate Committee, Chair of Ellington's Emergency Management Advisory Committee, Chair of Ellington Safety and Health Committee, and Chair of Ellington's Ad Hoc Long Term Recovery Committee.

OERM has worked with the First Selectman's office, the Human Resources Coordinator, Department of Public Works, and the Finance Department on a number initiatives and incident responses to eliminate and reduce the risk of liability to the Town of Ellington and its tax payers. The office has assisted in implementing best practices and streamlining efficiencies. Through its partnership with CIRMA, the OERM continues to identify programs that will benefit the town of Ellington and reduce overall liability and risk.

OERM also identified and made improvements to equipment essential in the Towns ability to prepare its citizens and respond to emergencies. Upgrades were made to computer and phone equipment at the towns Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The town also invested in upgrading its mass notification system though Everbridge increasing the capabilities to communicate with those who reside and work in the town of Ellington.

The OERM Director also serves at the Municipal Veterans Representative and is certified by the State of Connecticut to assist town veteran residents in dissemination of veteran benefits and information. Some areas of interest are VA health care, VA survivors and burial services, disability compensation, aid & attendance, medal replacements, and more. Also in collaboration with the Ellington Human Services Department holds

Veteran's Coffee Houses monthly. The program's intention is to bring all veterans together in a comfortable setting to meet, socialize, seek and share information on their military experiences, learn about local and State Veteran's benefits and services and to enjoy a cup of coffee.



Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.)

The Ellington CERT team is composed of volunteers from Ellington and surrounding Towns. The CERT Team has thirtyfour members. The Team is supported by Federal and State funds. CERT members receive training in; fire safety, basic first aid, and Ham Radio and traffic management. Members provide traffic and crowd control at; parades, fireworks displays, Fairs and other activities in Ellington, and Towns in the Tolland county area. Additionally, CERT provides assistance to first responders and assists in non-hazardous search and rescue incidents. The Ellington CERT program has a Ham Radio Team that has the capability to provide communications during Town Emergency Incidents. The Ham Radio Team provides communication assistance to other Towns in the Region during emergency incidents. During the Holiday Season, the CERT Team worked with the Human Services Dept. and adopted needy seniors and a needy family. CERT members also attended training sessions and monthly meetings. The Ellington CERT members are to be congratulated for their outstanding service to Ellington and surrounding Towns. If you want information to become a member of this outstanding group; email Deputy

Emergency Management Director John Streiber at: jstreiber@ellington-ct. gov. You must be 18 years of age, pass a criminal background check and successfully complete the 24-hour CERT Basic Training Course to become a CERT member.



ELLINGTON AD HOC PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE

We are an all-volunteer, non-partisan, non-political-affiliated organization of local citizens with the goal of promoting PATRIOTISM in various forms among the residents of Ellington.

The committee is actively involved in many Town events and observances to promote patriotism and remember the sacrifices of our military personnel:

- Veteran's Day activities at the Middle and High schools
- Memorial Day parades and observances at the High School, Town Green, and cemeteries
- Placing of flags on Veterans' graves (approximately 800 in 2022)
- Crosses placed at the Town Green to honor the 17 Ellington residents lost in our wars
- Placing bronze grave markers on all Veterans' graves (50 placed this year)
- Flag Retirement Ceremony in cooperation with the Ellington Fire Department and Boy Scouts
- Wreaths Across America sponsorship and Ceremony (500 wreaths in 2021)
- Other events coordinated in conjunction with various organizations
 - American Legion
 - Veterans of Foreign Wars
 - Boy Scouts
 - Fire Department
 - Crystal Lake Association
 - Ellington Veteran's Services Office

Our committee consist of ten dedicated members with two student representatives. We currently have several openings; if interested in joining us, please contact the First Selectman's Office.

PARKS AND RECREATION

PARKS & FACILITIES GUIDE

CRYSTAL LAKE SCHOOL HOUSE

The Crystal Lake School House (across from Sandy Beach) continues to serve the Parks and Recreation Department for regular use, including summer hours at the schoolhouse, offering middle school and pre-school programming.

ARBOR PARK

Arbor Park is located on Main Street in the heart of town. Arbor Park offers a nice area to walk. This park is not managed by the Recreation Department. Reservation inquiries should be made at the office of the First Selectman.

BATZ PROPERTY

Located at 97 Shenipsit Street, Batz Property is 44.86 acres of mixed forest-wild flowers and a grassy parking lot. This is the location of the community garden plots.

SANDY BEACH

Sandy Beach is located on Crystal Lake on Route 140 in the northern end of Town. Our beach offers recreational swimming, certified swim lessons and sunbathing opportunities on hot summer days.





ROBERT TEDFORD MEMORIAL PARK

Robert Tedford Memorial Park (formerly Brookside Park) is located on Route 140, approximately two miles from the center of Town. This facility has baseball, softball, soccer & football fields. There are also tennis courts, a safe structured playground, a volleyball court and a covered pavilion. The Pavilion can be rented for small gatherings.

ELLINGTON SCHOOL FACILITIES

The Recreation Department utilizes the Ellington Public Schools as often as possible for many programs. The schools offer use of gym space for such activities as basketball, volleyball, and other indoor programs. The schools also allow usage of softball and baseball fields during the season.

SCHWARTZ PARK

Schwartz Park is located at Ellington High School at 37 Maple Street, and houses 4 full sized tennis courts and a covered gazebo.

For more information, contact Parks and Recreation at 860-870-3118.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Parks and Recreation Commission and recreation staff continue to make a concentrated effort to provide a cross section of quality programming on a year-round basis. An earnest effort has been made to create and offer programs, both on a passive and nonpassive basis, for all age groups within the community. Additional special events and "creative" programming continue to be of interest to the residents of the community, providing department staff with the opportunity to plan and implement family oriented activities too.

The Recreation Department is located at 31 Arbor Way (located next to Arbor Park and the Ellington Center Fire Department). The office phone number is 860-870-3118, and the fax number is 860-870-3198.

The Department's new business hours are Monday from 8:00am –6:30pm, and Tuesday through Thursday from 8:00am–4:30pm.

Our general email address is: recreationstaff@ellington-ct.gov. Comments and suggestions are always welcome, either via a phone call to a staff member, fax, email or written form. Visit our website at: parkrec.ellington-ct.gov and like us on Facebook.

STAFFING

The department is staffed by three full-time recreation professionals and two part-time administrative assistants. Parttime positions (generated by revenue) include athletic officials, special skills instructors, water safety instructors/lifeguards, day camp counselors, and program supervisors. Town of Ellington applications are available at the recreation office during normal business hours; applications are also available on the Parks & Recreation website.

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE

Volunteer assistance continues to be a benchmark within the community, regardless of the activity. Serving as a volunteer is a rewarding activity, and more importantly, is vital to sustaining a viable community. Recruiting, securing and approving of the over 300 individuals that volunteer on an annual basis within the town programs is an enjoyable yet time-consuming task. Any person wishing to volunteer must complete a volunteer disclosure form. The department also provides technical assistance to all sports coaches as well as access to the certification process for becoming a legally registered official in basketball, soccer, and lacrosse. All coaches/volunteers must complete a background check form and receive clearance before becoming a participant in the department's programs.

PROGRAMS

Traditional athletic programs continue to enjoy increased enrollment, and department staff continues to make a concentrated effort to get the "pulse" of the community when arranging special events and passive-oriented programs. The department is always on the lookout for skilled artisans and/or individuals with special talents. Please feel free to contact the office with your suggestions.

The department provides indoor and outdoor activities on a year-round basis, using the following locations: Robert Tedford Memorial Park (Route 140), Sandy Beach (Crystal Lake), Pinney Street Fields, and both interior and exterior facilities located at the public schools.

Classes and programs include but are not limited to youth and adult athletic team sports, special skills classes, fitness classes and special events.

Pre-school programming has continued to be a very successful component of the department's year-round offerings, specifically for ages 2 through 5.

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

The recreation department offers a three tier format: travel teams, recreational teams, and instructional leagues. The approach of the Recreation Commission is that everyone should be encouraged to compete in the athletic arena regardless of age or ability. The Recreation Commission is proud of the fact that coaches, players and spectators, in general, are well versed in their roles regarding their sport, along with promoting good sportsmanship.

SHARED SERVICES

The recreation department continues to interact, on a daily basis, year-round, with the Board of Education's business office/ school staff, and in particular the Board of Education's custodial staff, whose dedication and assistance is greatly appreciated.

The continued support of services offered by the Department of Public Works should also be acknowledged. The magnitude of park and beach maintenance-repairs generated by DPW is outstanding.

The support and in-kind services that are provided by both agencies are greatly appreciated, as the continual behind the scenes support helps identify Ellington as a quality community.

Additional gratitude should be extended to the Hall Memorial Library for allowing the department to hold various preschool events on site.

HIGHLIGHTS

The 2021-2022 calendar year reflected a period of great resiliency for our community and patrons. The lingering effects and mandates brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic required our department to modify recreational operations frequently and with little notice. In spite of this, our department was able to offer a robust amount of programs at all times throughout the year. Below are some of the more significant highlights of the past year.

On July 28, 2021 our department resumed the annual summer concert series. Summer concerts were held on Wednesdays at 6PM at Arbor Park and drew crowds of all ages. Bands displayed a variety of musical talents and covered a variety of genres and time periods including soul, country western, classic rock, and modern pop.



The 2021-2022 calendar year also saw the return of our annual Robert Tedford Memorial 5k. The road race was held on November 13, 2021, and well over 200 athletes competed. All participants received a commemorative blue vest and all finishers received a medal of accomplishment. The event raised well over \$1,000 to contribute to the Robert Tedford Memorial Fund that helps fund department initiatives.

In keeping with the rebound theme of 2021, our very popular basketball program returned to full operation. The season culminated with a championship for our middle school aged girls travel team, who hosted the championship due to their outstanding record. They were also able to lift the championship trophies without having to wear mask as the mandate was lifted towards the end of the winter.

Our department was once again one of only a few municipalities statewide to be awarded a grant to expand services for our summer camp. As a result all Ellington Summer Day Camp participants received free hot lunch daily. The grant funding also enable our camp staff to schedule a variety of fun and educational enrichment activities though out the summer season.







ZIBRARY



HALL MEMORIAL LIBRARY PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Hall Memorial Library is a welcoming community resource for all residents seeking reading materials in various formats, research materials for school projects and life-long learning, items for leisure and entertainment, access to computers and the internet, and great programming for all ages. The friendly staff provides personalized services to aid in research, assist with computer skills or find that just-right book. But there is so much more that happens here!

The Library has long served as the community center for Ellington. Residents come to the library for more than just the items on the shelves or even the programs offered here. Community groups hold their meetings here, tutors teach their students here, students of all ages work on their group projects here, and friends and neighbors meet and catch up here. They enjoy and use the library as a space to collaborate, interact and connect.

No matter how you choose to use your library we hope you visit often and leave with a smile on your face!

SERVICES

The Hall Memorial Library, as the principal public library for the Town of Ellington, provides all residents with materials and opportunities for education and entertainment. The collection consists of items in many formats, including books, periodicals, newspapers, eBooks and eaudiobooks, digital magazines and digital audiobooks, music and audiobooks on CDs, DVDs, puzzles, puppets, online databases and reference materials, and specialty items such as cake pans and lawn games. These materials are categorized into the adult circulating collection, young adult circulating collection, juvenile circulating collection, and Reference non-circulating collection. For materials not found in these collections there is an interlibrary loan service that facilitates loans from libraries around the state or the country, including multiple copies of titles for book discussion groups and materials for genealogy research. Also available are computers for word processing and Internet access, black and white and color photocopiers and printers, digital scanners, fax machine, digital microfilm reader/printer, computer lab, notary service, passport acceptance service, exam proctoring, and meeting spaces for formal and informal gatherings. The friendly, well-trained staff is available to help find information, answer questions, recommend reading materials, and assist with usage of computers.

The Library provides a variety of programs for residents of all ages. Story time sessions are offered for children from 9 months to 5 years old. Activities for children include the annual summer reading program, movies, craft workshops, and various entertaining and educational speakers and performers. Young adults may participate in book discussions, contests, creative projects and their own summer reading program. For adults, there are book discussion series, reading programs, cultural programs, crafts and hands-on learning experiences, concerts, movies, and speakers on a range of topics, both informative and entertaining. For those patrons who are unable to come to the Library, outreach services are provided. At Snipsic Village, the senior housing complex, a rotating collection of library books is made available on a monthly basis. There is also a delivery service to homebound patrons.

HIGHLIGHTS

Fy 2021-22 saw the return of more normal operations and programs as the library transitioned into the post-pandemic mode.

Programs and Services: Summer programming, with the theme of "Tails and Tales" featured fun activities for all ages. The "Tales from Around the World" family reading challenge had readers stamping their passports and reading books from and about countries around the world. Courtesy of the Board of Education, a large tent was erected on the open space next to the parking lot and many programs were held outdoors—from a pet show to nature programs to hula hoop lessons and a great blues concert. A visit from the raptors from Horizon Wings Raptor Rescue was held at the Batz property, in collaboration with Ellington Trails Committee. All summer programming was once again generously funded by the Friends of the Library.

Programming throughout the rest of the year gradually returned to in-person events with a few virtual ones continuing, like the monthly cook-a-long programs with Chef Rob, Anytime Story Times and Teen Trivia nights. In the fall preschool story hours were held and the Reading to the Dogs program was reinstated. An afterschool Chess Club for kids was begun, led by members of the Ellington Chess Mates from the Senior Center. In response to patron requests, a writer's group was formed, quickly growing to include two sessions. There was a variety of informational and entertaining programs offered for all ages, ranging from crafting programs, movie showings, grab & go crafts, retirement planning topics, gardening, to a much-anticipated return of the live Coffee House program with the Jolly Beggars.

The Mysteries and More Book Discussion group continued to enjoy an eclectic range of titles while meeting via Zoom and in person. Copies of titles in both print and digital formats were provided for the community book discussion groups that continued to meet throughout the year. The Knit and Natter group and the Bridge Club returned. The Ellington Chess Mates joined us during periods when the Senior Center was closed.

For a second year, the Library hosted a garden seed swap in the spring, thanks to a donation from the UConn Extension/Ocean State Job Lot Seed Distribution Program. Patrons were invited to take what they need from the array of flower, herb and veggie seeds and leave their extras to share with others.

In the Reference Room the Librarians assisted patrons with the varying changes to the unemployment and benefits system, job searching in the pandemic environment, mastering Zoom and ebooks, and navigating the always challenging income tax filing season. An area for patrons to conduct job interviews via Zoom was offered in the meeting room.

Staff: Long-time Library Assistants Kathy Boop and Debi Cormier retired in the spring, each completing 25 years of dedicated service. Ashley Dabbondanza served as interim Reference Librarian/Programming Coordinator until December, when Francie Berger returned from a leave of absence. As the Teen/YA Librarian Ashley has worked to strengthen ties with the Middle and High Schools, started a Teen Advisory Group and created a variety of programs for our teens and young adults.



Building and Grounds: The Library was awarded funds from the American Rescue Plan Act through a program administered by the Connecticut State Library, to be used to adapt facilities and operations to provide safe service during the pandemic and beyond. The



funds were used to acquire colorful and portable shelving for the Children's room, jump-starting a new, refreshing arrangement of shelving and furniture in that area. To expand our service area to the lovely grounds, an outdoor seating and work space has been planned, with ARPA funds being used for the furnishings.

The Library routinely serves as the community cooling or warming center during times of extreme weather. With the sporadic power outages caused by bouts of severe weather throughout the year, the Library welcomed residents and served as a work place, electronics charging place, cooling/heating center and even fresh water source.

The building maintenance project of upgrading the air handler units continued, with several units that service the main floor and the Children's area being replaced efficiently by Action Air. Boilers were also replaced. The Public Works painting crew returned over the winter to paint some hallway and stairwell areas.

The Town secured a grant to install a sidewalk, connecting the Veterans' Memorial, located on the Library green, with the Library parking lot and to upgrade the Memorial area. After completion of the sidewalk, the POW-MIA Memorial, located on the Library grounds, was moved to also be accessible via the new sidewalk.

Collaborations: Library staff continued to work with the school media specialists to provide both physical and digital materials for students and teachers. An improved system for issuing digital-access library accounts was established.

Teen/YA Librarian Ashley Dabbondanza worked with the Youth Services Department to design and present "Ellington All", a program for 5th and 6th graders that offered a series of fun activities to encourage those students from all the schools to get to know each other better before their transition to the middle school.

The Library is pleased to continue to collaborate with and host activities of the Veteran's Coffee House, Ellington Unified, the Parks and Rec Department, The Board of Education, Youth Services Department, as well as the wide variety of community groups and organizations who use the meeting rooms. New this year were the monthly Family Connection sessions of the Tolland County/EastConn HeadStart Program, and a community book discussion sponsored by the Town Ad Hoc Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, for which the Library provided print and digital copies of the book.

Elderly Outreach Social Worker Rebecca Stack held office hours in the McKnight Room once a month.

The Friends of the Library continued to be an integral part of the library operation, funding the summer reading programs and subscriptions for passes to area cultural attractions, maintaining the armillary planter, and providing funding to expand the lawn games collection and to help develop the exciting new adventure kits. This year funds were raised through book fair tables placed on the main floor of the Library and one large spring book sale, as well as carefully scheduled and monitored hours in the Book Cellar.

This year, the Friends were awarded a Hartford Foundation for Public Giving Better Together Community Grant to conduct a community survey about the library. The survey was accessed online and in print and solicited opinions and ideas about library services and facilities. This information will be used to improve current services and to plan for the future as we continue to work to make the Library the best it can be for our community.

Outreach: The Library participated in the Ellington Historical Society Fall Festival and the YMCA Healthy Kids Day. At Earth Day, the expanded collection of lawn games was rolled out and enjoyed by all. The headless horseman welcomed folks to the Library during the Scarecrow Contest.

Winterfest was held on Friday and Saturday, December 3 and 4, and kicked off with a concert of holiday music presented by the Ellington Singers at the Senior Center. Saturday's events drew a cheerful crowd on the Green and at the various venues around the town center. The EHS Opening Knight Players performed scenes from the holiday play and the Library Board hosted refreshments at the Library.

In this year of pandemic-related challenges, the library was busy, inside and out, providing services to our patrons, maintaining a sense of community and the familiar, and serving as an important community resource during a changing time.

STATISTICS 2021-2022

CIRCULATION

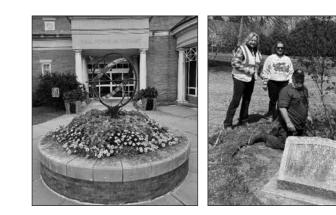
Adult Books and Periodicals	
Young Adult Books and Periodicals	
Children's Books and Periodicals	
Audiovisual and Miscellaneous Materials	
Digital (ebooks, eaudio, etc.)	
Museum Passes	
TOTAL	

COLLECTION

Adult Books and Periodicals	30,778
Young Adult Books and Periodicals	
Children's Books and Periodicals	
Audiovisual and Miscellaneous Materials	
Databases	22
TOTAL	65,147

REGISTERED BORROWERS

Adults	5,737
Young Adults	402
Children	
TOTAL	7,761



FOCIAL SERVICES

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

DIVISION OF SERVICES

The department is divided into three divisions: Human Services, Senior Center and Youth Services. Each division has its own budget and offers programs and services unique to its division. Cumulatively, the departments are responsible for the administration and oversight of programs addressing the health, financial, emotional, social, educational and recreational needs for residents of all ages. Residents are provided direct service or referred to community-based programs.

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

Human Services is the Town's principal agency for providing social service needs to the community. This includes help with heating and food assistance, back to school and holiday programs, advocacy, referrals, and assistance with state and federal benefits. Human Services consists of a full time Director, a full time Elderly Outreach/Social Worker, and a full time Food Bank Coordinator and a full time Administrative Assistant (shared with Recreation).

DIRECT SERVICES

Direct services provided by the department include active, hands-on involvement with processing information or determining eligibility for programs. Programs include Energy Assistance, Renters Rebate, Food Bank, SNAP (food stamps), Fuel Bank (fuel delivery or shut off assistance), Benefits Counseling (Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid), Back to School Assistance, Holiday Assistance, Camperships, Salvation Army and other discretionary programs. Most programs require income and residency information. Some also require proof of assets.

COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES

Quality community services, not offered directly by Human Service staff, are available to residents. These additional services are positive supports and some offer 24-hour availability, while others are by appointment or referral. Services include advocacy, domestic violence prevention, legal counseling, case management, transportation, health assessment and education, and sheltering. Services are: Hockanum Valley Community Council (Transportation, Counseling & Food Pantry), Interval House (Domestic Violence Shelter), Big Brother Big Sister, YWCA/ Sexual Assault Crisis Services, Cornerstone Foundation (Homeless Shelter), Amplify, Inc. (formerly the North Central Regional Mental Health Board), Kidsafe and Connecticut Legal Services.

MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY

The Human Services Director is the Municipal Agent for the Elderly. This statutorily required position's charge is to disseminate information to elderly persons, assists such persons in learning about community resources and publicize such resources and benefits. Additionally, they are to assist with applying for federal and other benefits, as well as, report to the chief elected official or chief executive officer of the municipality, and the CT State Department of Aging and Disability Services, any needs and problems of the elderly and any recommendations for action to improve services to the elderly.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY (Grandma's Pantry)

Grandma's Pantry is just shy of celebrating its three year anniversary. This Little Food Pantry is open 24/7/365 for the community's use with emergency food needs. Use of the pantry has grown over the past year, it continues to be a very valuable, needed resource. Estelle Williamson, whom the pantry is dedicated to, wanted no person to go to bed hungry. Daily this pantry is continuing Estelle's wish. Human Services is extremely very grateful to the many people who stock the pantry with nonperishable foods. We so appreciative of your generosity and kindness.

SUMMER PRODUCE CART (Grampa's Garden)

Ellington Human Services is now offering all varieties of fresh produce for residents in need. The program began in July and will carry through the fall. The produce offerings are generously donated from members of the community. The produce stand is located outside of the Human Services building. This is a pilot program but so far has been very well received, with great feedback. We hope to solicit help from the community to build a farm stand for next year to be placed across from "Grandma's Pantry".

HUMAN SERVICE COMMISSION

Per the Town Charter, the Human Services Commission acts as an advocate of the physical and mental health needs as well as the social service needs of the community. They investigate such needs and assist both the public and private agencies in procuring health and social services for the town residents, provided that such assistance is requested. The Human Services Commission is also charged with reviewing funding requests from various service providers in an attempt to deliver quality service in the interest of meeting resident needs.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Their mission is to promote a community that ensures welcoming attitudes, inclusion, equity, affirmation and respect of diversity in Ellington. In March 2022 the committee organized a book club/community conversation. It was well attended, approximately 30 joined the conversation. The committee organized a table for the Earth Day event, with activities and Informational materials. They continue to meet and plan for future events.

STATISTICS 2021-2022

- 35 families/individuals utilized Food Bank monthly (average).
- 81 families/individuals received grocery gift cards for Thanksgiving.
- 85 children and 40 senior/disabled persons received gift cards to department stores and 97 families/individuals received grocery gift cards for the Holidays.
- 189 Energy Assistance applications processed.
- 74 Renters Rebate applications processed.
- 582 Information/Referrals. (Including but not limited to: advocacy, case management, benefit enrollment etc.)

ELLINGTON SENIOR CENTER

Curbside meal pick-up, friendly phone calls, drive-in programs, and virtual programming kept us connected while our building was closed to group activities. We joyously celebrated our return to in-person meals and activities this year.

We are excited to see all of our participants return to the Senior Center.

PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

The Ellington Senior Center welcomes individuals to join us at 40 Maple Street who are at least age 55 years old. Our mission is to help participants maintain their independence, dignity and self-respect and productivity through participation in recreational, social, nutritional, educational and informational programs that promote healthy aging.

CONTACT US

Please contact the Senior Center at (860) 870-3133 or via email at seniorcenter@ellington-ct.gov, for further information. Hours of operation are: Monday: 8:00am-6:30pm, Tuesday-Thursday: 8:00am-4:30pm, Friday: Closed

The monthly newsletter and calendar, "Maple Street Monthly is available on the Town of Ellington's website http:// seniorcenter.ellington-ct. If residents do not have access to the website, please call us to request a copy to be mailed to you. Copies are also available at the Senior Center during business hours or picked up out front during non-business hours. You may also find us on Facebook and YouTube.

HIGHLIGHTS

Two grants were awarded from North Central Area Agency on Aging, Inc., for EMATS, The Ellington Medical Transportation Appointments Services and The Maple Street Café, meals program under The Nutritional Partnership Project. The Senior Center also has a 12 passenger wheelchair accessible bus due to a 5310 grant awarded from the Department of Transportation.

The Senior Center was able to re-establish programming and transportation that was on hold due to COVID 19. Transportation resumed on July 7, 2021 Indoor and outdoor resumed on May 5, 2021

Several new programs and events have been added during the course of this year. The Senior Center now offers the following new programs: Ask the Lawyer, Ask the Realtor, Indoor Stepping, weekly movies, Lunch Bunch, Haircuts and Beard trimming, Tech Time with Audra, Breakfast and Trivia with Home Helpers, Book Club, Lunch Bunch, Chair Volleyball. This year more trips have been added and Transportation has expanded its services. The Senior Center also established a Medical Loan program that allows people to borrow and donate new or gently used durable medical equipment.

STAFFING

The Senior Center is staffed by a full-time Director, Assistant Director and an Administrative Secretary. Part-time staff includes Transportation Drivers, Program Assistant and a Kitchen Manager. Several volunteers also perform a variety of duties to support the center.

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Transportation services are offered to residents who are age eligible. The Senior Center has a 12 passenger Wheelchair accessible bus and two mini-vans. To meet the age eligibility requirement a person must be at least 60 years old or between the ages of 18-59 and receive Social Security Disability benefits. Transportation services for residents include rides for social, nutritional, recreational and educational programs. Transportation services includes rides to grocery stores, banking, post-office and for non-emergency medical appointments. We provided 1,422 rides this year.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMS

Nutrition: The Maple Street Café is open three days a week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, From September through May. During the months of June through August several Cook-Outs, Pizza Parties, Ice Cream Socials and Salad Bars are offered. Meals are cooked in house by staff and volunteers. All meals are cooked to order and are a \$5.00 suggested donation. Le Petit Café is a stand-alone self-service venue that allows individuals to purchase items at a low cost fee. Such items are snacks, drinks, baked goods etc. The Senior Center has several cook-outs. We provided 1,797 meals this year.

Wellness Programs: The Red Cross sponsors Blood Drives quarterly, The Pedi-Care LLC offers a monthly Podiatry Clinic by a registered Nurse. Fall Prevention classes are held quarterly. Hand Massages are offered along with Haircuts and Beard Trimming by a local hairdresser. A Flu Shot Clinic is held in the fall sponsored by The North Central District Health Department. COVID-19 vaccination events were held at The Senior Center in conjunction with North Central District Health Department and Ellington Urgent Care.

Fitness programs: Stepping in Place, Walking, Hiking, Meditation, Gentle Yoga, Chair Yoga, Vinyasa Yoga, Chair Exercises, Stretch and Strengthen Exercises, Chair Volleyball and Tai Chi are offered. (Yoga, Simple Circuit, Meditation, and Chair Yoga were offered via Zoom and Facebook live up until the Center was re-opened to the public).

Social and Recreational Programs: The Ellington Singers, Spring Musical and Winterfest performances, Carving Club, Knitting, Crafts, Creative Writing, Bridge, Setback, Billiards, Shuffleboard, Chess, Horseshoes, Ladder ball, Corn Hole, Board Games, Movies, Voice and Piano lessons, Acrylics on Canvas, WII Bowling, Lunch Bunch, and Adult Coloring. Many trips are offered for day outings, overnight excursions, and cruises. Concerts and cookouts held during the summer.

EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMS

Elderly Social Worker Informational Sessions, AARP Smart Driver Education Classes, AARP Income Tax Preparation, History for Fun and TED (Technology, Education, and Design) Talks. Lending Library, Ask the Realtor, Ask the Lawyer, Medicare Seminars, Will and Estate Seminars, IPAD Lending Program, One-on-One Technology Assistance. Book Club. Educational seminars that address issues relevant to the senior population are offered several times per year by local health care professionals and agencies.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

The Senior Center staff is grateful for the twenty-two active volunteers who do a variety of tasks and programs.

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

	Attendees	Hours
Arts and Crafts	602	1,025
Cards and Games	3,443	9,803
Educational	23	35
Fitness, Health and Wellness	2,532	2,430
Information Sharing	80	400
Language Arts	83	166
Music	525	734
Nutrition	1,798	2,697
Recreation	175	350
Social	582	2,045
Special Event	758	1,216
Technology Classes	41	64
Trips	142	1,704
Total Event Sign-Ins	10,784	22,668

SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS STATISTICS

• Facebook: 384 likes and reached 99,951 people with posts

• Website: 12,962 visits

YOUTH SERVICES PRINCIPAL FUNCTION

As a department of Ellington Human Services, Youth Services mission is to provide programs and services, while building relationships which bond youth



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in a positive way to their families, schools, peers and community. The staff of Youth Services is here to support and assist children from birth to young adults through their life transitions. Youth Services provides programs that strengthen and develop life skills needed to succeed in the many challenges facing the youth of today. The staff of youth services consists of a full-time director, a full-time youth assistant director, part-time

prevention coordinator, program coordinator, program instructors, EYS Alliance advisor, Ellington Unified advisors and volunteers.

HIGHLIGHTS

Youth Services provides a wide range of programs in areas of community services activities, after-school programs, mental health services (individual, family and group), and volunteerism. For the 2021-2022 year, Youth Services and The Council for Developing a Positive Youth Culture (DPYC) had a total of approximately 13,000 children and their families participate in the following programs in school presentations, afterschool programs, outreach and other events.

Counseling: A family therapist is employed by the town to provide sliding fee scale counseling services to the youth (under the age of 18) and their families. Referrals and advocacy are also provided to families. All services are confidential and evening hours are available by appointment. Throughout the year, approximately 85 children and families were provided this service.

Programs: We provided 65 programs for 2021-22 year with about 717participants.

In-school Services: SOS Program: Suicide Prevention Program was presented to in person students in 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grades about 1200 students. Gizmo program which is mental health awareness program was presented to all 3rd grade students

in the Ellington School District which is about 250 students. We also worked with 15 K-2 classrooms with Kind Farm and 7 5th and 6th grade classrooms for Mind Up. We worked with BASES program and other programs with the schools.

Outreach to the Community is a very strong component of Youth Services. This past year we, tables at Farmer Markets and Pride Event to distribute resources, Pride Bridge in Arbor Park, You are Not Alone Mural, Mental Health Check In Day, Earth Day, Social Media Campaigns and DPYC postcards to the community. We had many of our materials shared and used by community members. We were at open houses at middle and high school given out about 300 informational bags, parenting series including topics of anxiety, marijuana, and vaping.

Juvenile Review Board and Truancy Board: Youth Services staff is member of Juvenile Review and truancy boards. These boards meet once a month to help members of the Ellington Community in assessment, case management and referrals.

Ellington Unified believes that everyone should have sense of belonging and a part within our community. By connecting families, schools, and community through activities, advocacy, and support. Our hope is to strengthen the Ellington Community for youth with a disability and their family. This year we contracted out for Unified Advisor and created wonderful programs for youth and their families to participate in including unified Karate, basketball, dance, and crafts.

The Ellington Council for Developing Positive Youth Culture (DPYC) is a long standing group that has been coordinating prevention services for the youth of Ellington for over 20 years. The group's mission is to create and sustain a positive youth culture for Ellington's youth through collaboration among the community, schools and town agencies. Membership includes key stakeholders in the community, including Ellington Youth Services, Ellington Human Services, Ellington Public Schools, Ellington Recreation Department, Resident State Troopers, faith and business community leaders, and student and parent representatives. This year we sponsored medication disposal post card (7000 mailed out to every household in Ellington), Community wide coloring book, mentoring programs at Community theatre, and sponsored programs at high school and middle school, including wingman and leadership program. We also completed a Youth Voices Count Survey with grades 7th to 12th graders. DPYC sponsored parenting series and marketing campaign at high school and middle school about danger of vaping.

EYS Alliance is a group of high school students in Ellington with a mission of offering high school students the opportunity to learn and apply leadership skills along with being role models to their peers and youth continued in its 12th year. A Core group of 13 members served as the executive board for the group. This year the group ran activities at fall festival, middle school dodgeball, 300 self-care bags at high school, and volunteered at unified events.

Social Justice Union is a group of middle and high school with a mission: We envision a community where youth actively strive to foster diversity and inclusion. We connect youth of all ages through programs, events and activities. Why? Because it's time for Ellington to be it's very best. This group of youth held successful event like movie night in the park and read along/craft day at the library.

BOARD OF EDUCATION



Ellington schools, with support from central office and the broader community, worked hard to engage, challenge, and support all students in this transitional year. The following is a summary of action steps and strategies from the 2021-22 school year.

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE (EI)

- Based on lessons learned from Emotional Intelligence training at Windermere School, district aligned supports from the RULER program with established initiatives in the district, primarily the Seeds of Civility
- Reflected on positive trends in climate survey data to clarify what stakeholders declared was working well across schools and used critical feedback to guide adjustment in strategies and areas of focus for the year ahead
- Revitalized a district wellness committee to support the school community, including staff, to support health and resilience across students, families, and staff
- Implemented BASES program as a critical component of a continuum of services that serves Ellington students and area students with a focus on successful educational outcomes within our community

HIGH QUALITY TEACHING AND LEARNING (HQTL)

- Successful piloting of instructional rounds across all schools to identify
 patterns in instruction to engage students in rigorous academic work,
 engaging teacher and administrator insight into how instruction was
 effectively challenging and supporting all students
- Implementation of consistent intervention protocols and services across elementary schools to ensure focus on grade-level standards while addressing learning gaps
- Adjusted remote learning instruction expectations to meet student needs as the context shifted back to a full focus on in-person learning with mitigation strategies employed based on local conditions
- Engaged high school teachers in the self study work that is at the core of the next generation of NEASC accreditation process
- Increased commitment to quality feedback to building leaders on instructional leadership to ensure focus on enhancing learning and continuous improvement

EFFICIENT OPERATIONS (EO)

- Continued to provide a safe school environment while prioritizing a return to the full continuum of learning experiences and full openness to family participation in events and the life of the school
- Worked to address staffing shortages, especially in part-time and noncertified positions, through recruitment, on-boarding, and retention
- Continued more frequent reconciliation with Town budget and accounts to meet new targets/timelines for reconciled and aligned budgets, exceeding previous years' timelines
- Coordinated with BOE and town to facilitate referendum on Windermere building project and additional facility upgrades to serve the schools and broader community

PRIORITIES FOR 2022-23

Transparency for Trust

• Continue increasing parent and community access to information on programs and curriculum to promote understanding and engagement in the community

Emotional Intelligence

- Complete foundational professional learning for all staff in Emotional Intelligence and components of the RULER program
- Continue to strengthen use of the Seeds of Civility to support healthy dialogue and articulation of individuals' perspectives, experiences, and convictions

High Quality Teaching and Learning

- Continue refinement of Intervention processes and protocols across all schools
- Continue use of instructional rounds to support reflection on teaching and learning, rigor, and student engagement
- Complete NEASC self study process at Ellington High School

EFFICIENT OPERATIONS

• Continue proactive reconciliation of accounts to ensure efficiency and fiscal responsibility

- Continue to guide and support Windermere building project
- Complete alignment of elementary school schedules

EPS VISION

Ellington Public Schools grows exceptional learners and leaders who are courageous, reflective, and contributing citizens of the world.

EPS MISSION

Ellington Public Schools creates a culture of learning that challenges and inspires all students on their personalized educational journeys.

EPS CORE VALUES AND BELIEFS

- We empower students and staff with the skills to discover and pursue their own passions and to embrace opportunities to be courageous, reflective, and contributing citizens of the world.
- We create an equitable, inclusive and supportive culture where people are safe, accepted, and valued.
- We value learning as an enlightening, lifelong process that happens in multiple ways.
- We believe that positive relationships among all stakeholders create synergy and are the foundation for our learning community.
- We celebrate innovation, collaboration, creativity and multiple forms of success.
- We ensure that our learning environments are flexible spaces that encourage interaction, co-creation, and independence.
- We have an unrelenting commitment to the belief that everyone can continually learn and grow.

ELLINGTON VISION OF THE GRADUATE

Ellington Public Schools' Graduates will develop the skills that will allow them to be exceptional learners and leaders who are courageous, reflective, and contributing citizens of the world.

Ellington Public Schools develop students who are:

Self-directed and Reflective Learners

- Pursues learning in areas of personal interest
- · Sets goals to advance learning based on reflection and feedback
- · Demonstrates perseverance and flexibility in pursuing goals

Involved Citizens

- Participates and contributes to the enhancement of community life
- Pursues opportunities to learn about other cultures and different points of view
- Demonstrates awareness of the impact of personal actions on others and the world

Co-Creators and Collaborators

- Works synergistically and equitably to achieve a common goal
- · Recognizes their own and other perspectives to enrich their learning

Problem Solvers and Innovators

- Engages in inquiry around real-world problems
- Translates ideas into actionable solutions
- Takes intellectual risks
- Thinks divergently

Effective Communicators

- · Communicates ideas in compelling, impactful ways
- Demonstrates an awareness of audience and adjusts style and tone accordingly

THE CLASS OF 2022

Ellington High School Class of 2022 graduated on Friday, June 10, 2022. Dr. Scott Nicol, Superintendent of Schools, presented diplomas to 203 seniors. The statistics for the Class of 2022 are as follows: 143 graduates plan to attend four-year colleges, 28 plan to attend two-year colleges, 3 plan to attend technical school, 1 plans to join the military, 18 graduates plan to join the workforce, and 10 will pursue other opportunities or are undecided. The following class scholars represent the highest five percent of the Class of 2022: Benjamin Allegue, Ava Andrews, Fiona Budd, Jonelle Dacres, Easha Patel, Joshua Segal, Madeleine Willett, Emily Willis, Julia Wilson, and Diego Zaffanella.

CLLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 2022



Zachary Abbruzzese Katherine E. Adams Annabel Marie Agyekum Benjamin Alleguet Mallory Bianca Almeida Lian Alzubali Raghad Alzubali Olivia Lee Ambrosi Sam Olive Judah Andrew Ava Fiona Andrewst Nathan Ansong Joseph Audet Owen Thomas Babiec Benjamin Patrick Baehre Moses C. Bahler Yoseph N. Baker Simon Edward Barone Jordan D. Bellman Ioshua Bellman Alexander T. Bianca David Ryder Bidwell Catherine Brett Birmingham Anna Theresa Bocchino Michael D. Bontempo Carlie Sky Bouchard Kyle W. Bourgoin Colby Brennan Jacob R. Brown Jessica Lynne Brunelle Fiona B. Buddt David M. Burns McKenna Jean Cahill Jack T. Campise Jennifer Lee Canavan Ryan Joseph Cantin Ava Theresa Caron Emma Jean Carpenter Allana Anita Castro-Vega Maya A. Celotti Priyanshi Chakravorty Aubrey Charbonneau David Jason Charest Gianna D. Chiarenza Erin G. Chichlowski Joscelin Conner Kristie Bleu Couture Nasir B. Cuffie Alexis Nicole Cushman Jonelle I. Dacrest Keziah Akua Darko Tyler Duong Dennis

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Vincent Sivo, President Jennifer Canavan, Vice President Madeleine Willett, Secretary Chloe Goodin, Social Chair Easha Patel, Class Representative

Christian J. Derosier Henry W. DeSantis Olivia M. Diamond Andrew J. DiGregorio Alexander G. DiRienza Elizabeth Ann Domingos Jillian Paige Donie Isabel Jeanne White Donner Deanna Marie Dostie Ryan Gerrod Ducharme Alex R. Dumez Kaitlyn I. Duplin Nicholas H. Duplin Danielle B. Durao Madeline Paulina Duskocy Leo N. Dutkewych Anna Grace Einsiedel Drew T. Ellis **Justin Fackrell** Alexander Adam Filip Erin Kaley Fitzgerald Tanner L. Flori Zachary B. Fox Shannon Elizabeth Gaer Nicholas Dante Gallo Riley Justine Gavigan Jonathan K. Gayton Matthew Jonathan Gervin Nicholas Giordano Riley Thomas Giordano Chloe Ann Goodin Jeffrey S. Gordon Louis E. Gosselin Jake Griffin Jack Thomas Griffith Ruby Ava Grotton Nathaniel T. Hamilton Lindsey Brielle Hany Arianna Na'imah Harned Shea Della Harnois Bailey L. Heard Alexandra G. Hill Lily Jean Hinckley Valerie Histen Peyton Elyse Holden Shaye M. Holden Mira Kathlyn Houghtaling Isabelle Ann Hoyt James J. Ivancso Riley Morgan Jarvis Megan Paige Johndrow

Nathan Andrew Johnson Archit Joshi Cassandra Marie Keilty Zachary Robert Killoran Ryan C. King Brionna M. Koehler Alison Reese Kozik Gabriella A. Krajewski Mason John Krawczynski Peyton Lillian Kubas Kylie Shae LaDestro Hailey M. Laliberte Drew LaPlante Lucia Leal Betancor Kyle Lenz Alyssa R. Lewis Roger R. Mandeville, Jr. Dominic Mangiafico Srivarshini Manivannan Mikayla L. Marques Oliver E. Martin Thomas Martucci, Jr. Eve Rebecca Mattson Rachel M. McLean Zachary J. McTighe Nate C. Miller Kirsten Lee Moller Sima Ann Mondschein Emma Anne Hall Nicolas Joseph Monteleone Elias Gardy Moreau Kaylee L. Moreau Anna Moser Ella Sue Moser Grace Sophia Motisi Nathan C. Munn Dillon J. Murphy Taylor Allison Murphy Victoria Rose Naumec Madison Lian Nichols Emily Renee Niger Bailey A. O'Brien Easha T. Patel† Madelyn Kay Pereira Eva Victoria Perkins Matthew C. Pierson Praveen Rangaswamy Jacob A. Redekas Matthew R. Rein Alex J. Repass Tyler William Richards

Destinie Jean Rivera-Ortiz Donovan J. Rodrigues Tiyanna Samantha Elisa Rodriguez Siya Sachdeva Drew M. Sagendorf Nequan Jalen Sammy Aidan Armand Sanville Ryan Thomas Sardinha Stefanie Rose Schmelter Caleb Schweitzer Timothy Ervin Scott, Jr. Joshua Francis Segalt Emily Ann Shaw-Winans Jackson R. Shea Kareem Shreidi Abigail Leigh Shuman Vincent Ambooken Sivo Christopher Skyriotis Kathryn Piper Small Cristian Spriggs Griffin M. St. Pierre Reave Stafford Madalyn S. Stanley Ida Stenzel Julia Faith Sternat Emma Riley Stevenson-McCoy Aidan J. Stratoudakis Caroline Sullivan John M. Takach Oliver Terranova Eric Michael Thibert Tori Michelle Trantolo Sarah Kathryn Trottier Colby J. Upson Alessandra E. VanGasbeck Akaash Vincent Philip J. Vrakas Rose Elizabeth Walder Ava L. Walker Ally B. Wang Joshua H. Wilkie Madeleine Maeve Willett† Hannah Jean Williams Emily Mae Willist Julia Ann Wilsont Marieta Valerie Winkel Daemond Wong Molly Abigail York Diego D. Zaffanella† Zachary Brandon Zdrojowy

† Class Scholar

Students who attained honor roll status each quarter during his/her high school career are wearing Silver Honor Cords Members of the Robert W. Murphy Chapter of the National Honor Society are wearing Gold Honor Cords Students who attended National History Day in Washington, D.C. are wearing Black/Yellow/Red Honor Cords Members of Troupe 5226 of the International Thespian Society are wearing Black/White Honor Cords Members of the Société Honoraire de Francais are wearing Blue/White/Red Honor Cords Members of the National Art Honor Society are wearing Blue/White/Red Honor Cords Members of the National Art Honor Society are wearing Rainbow Honor Cords Members of the Tri-M Music Honor Society are wearing Rinhow Honor Cords Student Council Officers are wearing White Honor Cords Senior Class Officers are wearing Black Honor Cords Link Crew Members are wearing Navy Cords

PEOPLE SERVING YOU

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

ADMINISTRATION

First Selectman: Lori L. Spielman Executive Assistant/Communications Coordinator: Julia Connor Human Resources Coordinator: LouAnn Cannella Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary: Rebecca Einsiedel

Recording Secretary, Permanent Building Committee: Christina Shackford

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control Officer: Barbara Murdach Assistant Animal Control Officer: Kathy Kane-DiBacco Assistant Animal Control Officer: Kim Gambacorta Assistant Animal Control Officer: Eric Boucher Assistant Animal Control Officer: Nicole Usher Assistant Animal Control Officer: James Lockhart

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Assessor: Kim Bechard (*resigned 6*/20/2022) Deputy Assessor: Laura Plona Administrative Assessment Technician: Holly Petronella

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Building Official: Raymond F. Martin III Administrative Secretary II: Ginger MacHattie

ELLINGTON VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORP Emergency Medical Technicians:

Deborah Landry-Schiessl, Holly Swiney, Kerri Cushing, Erich Martin, Chad Adams, Alexander Bohr, Kimberly Courville, Kim Gambacorta, Michael Girard, Kaila Morrow, Rachel Oakes, April Phelps, Caitlin Sutyak, Noah Welti, Aaron Virkler

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Director: Walter Lee Deputy Director: John Streiber Deputy Director: Frederica Weeks

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Finance Officer/Treasurer: Tiffany Pignataro **Assistant Finance Officer/Deputy Treasurer:** Felicia LaPlante **Accounting/Payroll Specialist:** Scott Naylor **Accounting Assistant:** Patricia Choiniere **Recording Secretary, Board of Finance:** Elizabeth Phelps

FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

Fire Marshal: James York Deputy Fire Marshal: Sydney Kern Fire Inspector II: Gary Buzzell Burning Officials: James York and Sydney Kern

HUMAN SERVICES

Director of Human Services: Joy Hollister **Elderly Outreach Social Worker:** Rebecca Stack **Human Services Assistant:** Kelly Hearn LIBRARY (Hall Memorial Library) **Director:** Susan Phillips Children's Librarian: Patricia Grundman Reference Librarian/Program Coordinator: Francie Berger Library Assistant II: Lisa Kuraska Library Assistant II: Lisa Giaquinto Library Assistant II: Cheryl Chamberlin Library Assistant I: Nicola Travali Library Assistant I: Gay Szumyk Library Assistant I: Laurie Wormstedt Library Assistant I: Lindsay McKeegan Library Assistant I: Tara Clynch Library Assistant I: Luci Pantuosco Reference Librarian: Linda Callahan Reference Librarian: Michelle Farella Teen/Reference Librarian: Ashley Dabbondanza Bookkeeper/Recording Secretary: Rhonda Villanova Page: Caroline LaMalva Page: Madelyn Roy Page: Gina Transki

MUNICIPAL AGENT: Joy Hollister

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT Director of Health: Patrice Sulik, MPH, RS

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Director of Recreation: Dustin Huguenin Assistant Director of Recreation: Mary Bartley Recreation Coordinator: Kevin Barrett Administrative Secretary I: Tina Modzelewski Recreation Program Assistant: Megan Lung

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

Town Planner: Lisa M. Houlihan Assistant Town Planner and Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer: John D. Colonese Land Use Assistant: Barbra Galovich Recording Secretary: Nathaniel Trask

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Resident State Troopers: Sgt. Brian Santa, Resident State Troopers' Office Supervisor Tpr. Justine Monahan TFC. Tyler Burnell Tpr. Patrick (PJ) O'Brien Town Police Officers: Bart Alexander; Michael Bard; John Barth, SRO; Aaron Blank; Donald Bridge; Arthur Carlson, III; Edward "Joe" Decker; James Desso; Stephen Estes; Kevin Furbush; and James Keeney, SRO School Resource Officers: John Barth and James Keeney Marine Police Officers: Allen Bump, Sebastian Magnano, and John Streiber Police Support Administrator: Edward "Joe" Decker

Director of Public Works: Timothy Webb (retired July 1, 2022) Director of Public Works: Ken Radziwon (effective June 6, 2022) Administrative Assistant II: Lori Smith Foreman: Thomas Modzelewski Assistant Foreman: Kevin Gambacorta Crew Chief/Grounds: Bob Ouellette Lead Mechanic: Taylor Olson Mechanic II: Perry Dikeman Maintainer II: Patrick Roy Maintainer II: Ronald Moser Maintainer I: Richard Daugherty Maintainer I: Denis Giroux Maintainer I: John Hoffman Maintainer I: Spencer Hutchinson Maintainer I: Keith Jarvis Maintainer I: Cody Langlois Maintainer I: James Muratori Maintainer I: Benjamin Pare Maintainer I: Jason Suchecki Maintainer I: Daniel Whitman Lead Custodian: Kim Gallicchio Custodian: Dana DiNallo Custodian: Gary Berube Custodian: Victoria Brooks **Recycling and Refuse Coordinator:** Samuel Saunders Brush Drop-off Facility Attendant: Michael Messier

SENIOR CENTER

Senior Center Director: Sheila Grady Senior Center Assistant Director: Samantha Baer Senior Center Administrative Secretary II: Erica Botti Senior Center Program Assistant: Kristine Nadvornik-Moulard Senior Center Kitchen Manager: Michael Castro Senior Center Lead Van Driver: Kenneth McCarthy Senior Center Van Drivers: Mark Balkan and Eugene Allard

TAX DEPARTMENT

Tax and Revenue Collector: Ann Marie Conti Deputy Tax and Revenue Collector: Ashley Bastien Tax Clerk: Joann Bolles

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Town Clerk/Registrar of Vital Statistics: Diane H. McKeegan Asst. Town Clerk/Registrar of Vital Statistics: Donna Hosey Assistant Town Clerk (Per Diem): Suzanne Litwin

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Dorian Reiser Famiglietti, Esq., Kahan Kerensky & Capossela LLP

SPECIAL COUNSEL

Day Pitney LLC (Bond Counsel) Shipman & Goodman (Special Ed Counsel for Board of Education) Kainen, Escalera & McHale (Negotiations Counsel for General Government and Board of Education)

TOWN ENGINEER: J. R. Russo Surveyors • Engineers

TREE WARDEN: Ken Radziwon

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY (WPCA) Administrator: Ken Radziwon Crew Chief/WPCA: Phillip Kidney WPCA Technician/Maintainer II: Colton DuBois

YOUTH SERVICES

Youth Services Director: Diane Lasher-Penti Assistant Youth Services Director: Kristen Harp Prevention Coordinator: Kayla Condron Program Coordinator: Jessica Maitland

ELECTED OFFICIALS (as of June 30, 2022)

TERM EXPIRES

December 2023

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Lori L. Spielman, *First Selectman* David E. Stavens, *Deputy First Selectman* Melinda M. Ferry James M. Prichard Ronald F. Stomberg John W. Turner Charlotte Ward (*resigning 7/1*)

BOARD OF FINANCE

Michael Purcaro, *Chairman* David J. Olender, *Vice Chair* Peggy Busse Barry C. Pinto Douglas Harding James Fay

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Jennifer Dzen, *Chairman* Gary Blanchette Angela Moser Elizabeth Nord Marcia Kupferschmid Jennifer Mullin Kerry Socha Michael Young Miriam Underwood Steven Viens

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Wanda Deland (*Republican*) Lois Timms-Ferrara (*Democrat*)

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mary E. Blanchette, ChairmanDecember 2023Mary Cone, SecretaryDecember 2023John Halloran, Jr.December 2023Judy StombergDecember 2025Janet Wieliczka, TreasurerDecember 2025Pam McCormickDecember 2025

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Arlo Hoffman, Chairman	December 2025
Sean Kelly, Vice Chairman	December 2023
William R. Hogan	December 2025
Michael Swanson	December 2023
Jonathan Moser	December 2025
F. Michael Francis	December 2025
Robert C. Sandberg, Jr.	December 2023
Michael Swanson Jonathan Moser F. Michael Francis	December 2025 December 2025

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Arthur G. Aube, ChairmanDeccSulakshana N. Thanvanthri, Vice ChairmanDeccKenneth M. BragaDeccKatherine HeminwayDeccSubhra RoyDecc

December 2023 December 2023 December 2025 December 2025 December 2023

APPOINTED BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (as of June 30, 2022)

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

(1 year to September 2022) Trudie Luck Roberts, Chairman Lindsay Castonguay Hany Brian Cocuzzo Gothami Ramachandran Lenora Williams

Paulette Barnes Ramona Puchalski-Piretti Anthea Grotton Juliana Barbosa, Student Rep.

AD HOC COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPING

POSITIVE YOUTH CULTURE (1 year to August 2022) Diane Lasher-Penti Joy Hollister Lisa Kelly Mary Bartley Kevin Hayes Michael Nash Kathleen Larew TFC Tyler Burnell Amy Darling Melissa Abbruzzese Ainsley Armstrong, Student Rep. Beth Tautkus Sgt. Brian Santa Gillian Paseka, Student Rep. Kayla Condron Easha Patel, Student Rep.

AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE

(1 year to May 2023) David Arzt, Chairman Jean Burns Victor Laptik

J. Albert Breton, Jr. Rodger Hosig

Alvce Mayer

Jacob Nadeau

Jennifer Wells

AD HOC ELLINGTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

(1 year to April 2023) Katherine Heminway, Chairman Kay Luginbuhl Carole Gerber Maggie Stabinski Karen Hunt

AD HOC ELLINGTON TRAILS COMMITTEE

(1 year to April 2023) Linda Anderson, Chairman Valerie Amsel Cynthia van Zelm, Vice Chairman Ann McLaughlin Pam McCormick Judi Manfre Larrissa Burke Deanne Wambolt-Gulick

AD HOC EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

(1 year to February 2023/term through December 2023*) John Turner, Chairman, Board of Selectmen Representative* _, Board of Finance Representative* Robert Edwards, Crystal Lake Fire Department Representative Gary Feldman, Sr., Ellington Volunteer Fire Department Representative Jack Rich II, Ellington Volunteer Fire Department Representative ____, Board of Selectmen Representative* Douglas Harding, Board of Finance Representative* Timothy Seitz, Crystal Lake Fire Department Representative Bruce Hoffman, Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Representative

Walter Lee, Emergency Management Director Peter Hany, Sr., Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Representative

AD HOC LONG TERM RECOVERY COMMITTEE

(1 year to September 2022) Walter Lee, Chairman Ken Radziwon Lisa Houlihan Sharon McLaughlin Rebecca Stack Sgt. Brian Santa Lori Spielman **James** York Patrice Sulik

Dustin Huguenin Diane Lasher-Penti Julia Connor Sheila Gradv Michael Lanz Brian Greenleaf Frederica Weeks Susan Phillips

AD HOC PATRIOTIC COMMITTEE (1 year to December 2022)

Christian Sauer, Chairman Ted C. Graziani Sara K. Landon Rhonda Villanova, Secretary James Lavey

John Takach, Vice Chairman Bruce N. Warkentin Cheryl Samborski Joseph Boucher Steven Villanova, John Takach, Student Representatives

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE PRESERVATION

OF PINNEY HOUSE (1 year to July 2022)		
Dale Roberson	Jacob Nadeau	
Marcia Kupferschmid	Stephen Flickenschild	
Debby Wallace		

TERM EXPIRES

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS (3 years)	
Karen Neal	January 2024
Kurt Sullivan	January 2025
Sherri Czyz	January 2023
Alternates (2 years)	
Joseph Malone	January 2024
Norman Perkins	January 2023

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS (5 years)

Donald Gobeille, Jr.	April 2027
Dennis Milanovich	April 2026
Howard D. Reckert	April 2023
Frank Engel	April 2024

CENTRAL REGIONAL TOURISM DISTRICT (3 years) Jacob Nadeau June 2023

COMMUNITY VOICE CHANNEL ADVISORY COUNCIL (2 years) June 2024

Marc Diwinsky

CT WATER COMPANY CUSTOMER ADVISORY COUNCIL

(1 year) Lois [

Timms-Ferrara	(Alternate)	August 2022

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (4 years)

Rebecca A. Quarno, Chairman	March 2023
David H. Bidwell, Vice Chairman	March 2025
Sean Dwyer	March 2026
James Gage	March 2023
George Nickerson	March 2025
Robert E. Zielfelder, Jr.	March 2026
Laurie Burstein	March 2024
Alternates (2 years)	
Ann Harford	March 2023
Jessica Fay	March 2024

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

Robert M. Dawson III, Chairman	June 2025
Michele Beaulieu-Dzen	June 2025
Gary Chaplin	June 2025
Ronald F. Stomberg	June 2024
Kevin Zahner	June 2024

DEPUTY REGISTRARS OF VOTERS (4 years) Lois Goodin (*Republican*) January 2023 Elizabeth Nord (Democrat)

TERM EXPIRES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (4 years)

Sean Kelly, Chairman	July 2024
Donna Resutek, Vice Chairman	July 2025
Christopher Todd	July 2023
David Hurley	July 2022
James Fay	July 2022
Alternates (2 years)	
Amos Smith	January 2023
Bryan Platt	January 2023
Sam Chang	January 2023

ETHICS COMMISSION (4 years)

Charles McCleary, Chairman	January 2025
Derek Reed, Vice Chairman	January 2023
Deb Lynch	January 2024
Brett Palmer	January 2024
Kelly Scutt	January 2026
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HOUSING AUTHORITY (5 years)

Dennis Varney, Chairman	June 2026
Robert C. Sandberg, Jr., Vice Chairman	June 2023
Robert Lech	June 2024
Michael Swanson	June 2027
Atherton "Joe" Ryan	June 2025

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION (4 years)

Susan Stack, Chairman	January 2024
Susan Hannigan, Vice Chairman	January 2024
Hocine Baouche	January 2026
Yale Cantor	January 2026
Jessica Fay	January 2024
Deanna Wambolt-Gulick	January 2024
Lenora Williams	January 2026

INLAND/WETLANDS AGENCY (4 years)

Jean Burns, Chairman	January 2025
Katherine Heminway	January 2023
Kenneth Braga	January 2023
Ron Brown	January 2025
Arthur G. Aube	January 2023
Hocine Baouche	January 2025
Steven J. Hoffman	January 2023
Alternates (2 years)	-
Jonathan Kaczmarek	January 2024

INSURANCE ADVISORY BOARD (4 years)

Audrey Kubas, Chairman	April 2023
Mark Boone	April 2023
Wilson D. Flynn	April 2023
Elizabeth Nord	April 2025
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MENTAL HEALTH COUNCIL #15 (3 upgrs)	

MENTAL HEALTH COUNCIL #15 ((3 years)	
John H. Lally	J	anuary 2025

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS (3 years) Dianne Trueb June 2025

	June 2023
Fred Journalist	June 2025

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION (4 years)

THIRD & RECRETITION COMMISSION (1 years)	/
Gordon Oliver, Chairman	January 2024
Thomas Boscarino	January 2024
Cynthia Costanzo	January 2024
Shay Drake	January 2026
Kevin Hayes	January 2026
Cheri Murphy	January 2024
Tara Kozik	January 2026
Sherryl Kraus	January 2026
Christopher Weitz	January 2026

TERM EXPIRES PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE (4 wears)

PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE (4 yei	ars)
Peter W. Welti, Chairman	February 2026
Gary Magnuson, Vice Chairman	February 2024
Thomas Adams	February 2026
Gary T. Feldman, Sr.	February 2026
Dale Gerber	February 2024
Katherine Heminway (resigning 7/11)	February 2026
Jeff Olender (<i>resigning</i> 7/11)	February 2024
Ronald Stomberg (BOS Representative)	December 2023
Gary Blanchette (BOE Representative)	November 2023
James Fay (BOF Representative)	December 2023
Sean Kelly (<i>P&Z Representative</i>)	December 2023
Ken Radziwon, Public Works Director (Ex-officio)	

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ALTERNATES

(2 *years*) Rachel Dearborn

September 2023

SHARED SERVICES COMMISSION

(3 years/2 year representative terms)	
Daniel Keune, Chairman	October 2024
Christopher Socha, Vice Chairman	October 2023
Tracey Kiff-Judson	October 2024
Ted Graziani	October 2023
Jennifer Dzen (BOE Representative)	November 2023
Michael Purcaro (BOF Representative)	December 2023
David Stavens (BOS Representative)	December 2023

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY (4 years)

Daniel J. Parisi, Chairman	April 2025
Leonard Descheneaux	April 2023
Paul F. Gilbert	April 2026
Shawn Koehler	April 2024
Aaron Foster	April 2026

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ALTERNATES (2 years)

Ronald Brown	August 2023
Rodger Hosig	August 2022
Ronald F. Stomberg	August 2022

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

DEMOCRAT

Hocine Baouche Cynthia Costanzo Thomas Curtiss Keith Durao Rachel Durao John M. Giordano John M. Halloran, Jr. Lois Timms-Ferrara

UNAFFILIATED

James Darby Kiel S. Miller Christina Marie Morin Sylvie Nadeau Bettie Jeanne Rivard-Darby Elizabeth C. Waters

REPUBLICAN

Nicole S. Albano Maurice W. Blanchette Peter J. Charter Christopher C. Davis Ann L. Harford Wayne G. Johnson Sean C. Kelly Daniel C. Keune Laurie Lemek Sharon J. McLaughlin Lori L. Spielman David Stavens Ronald F. Stomberg Rhonda Villanova

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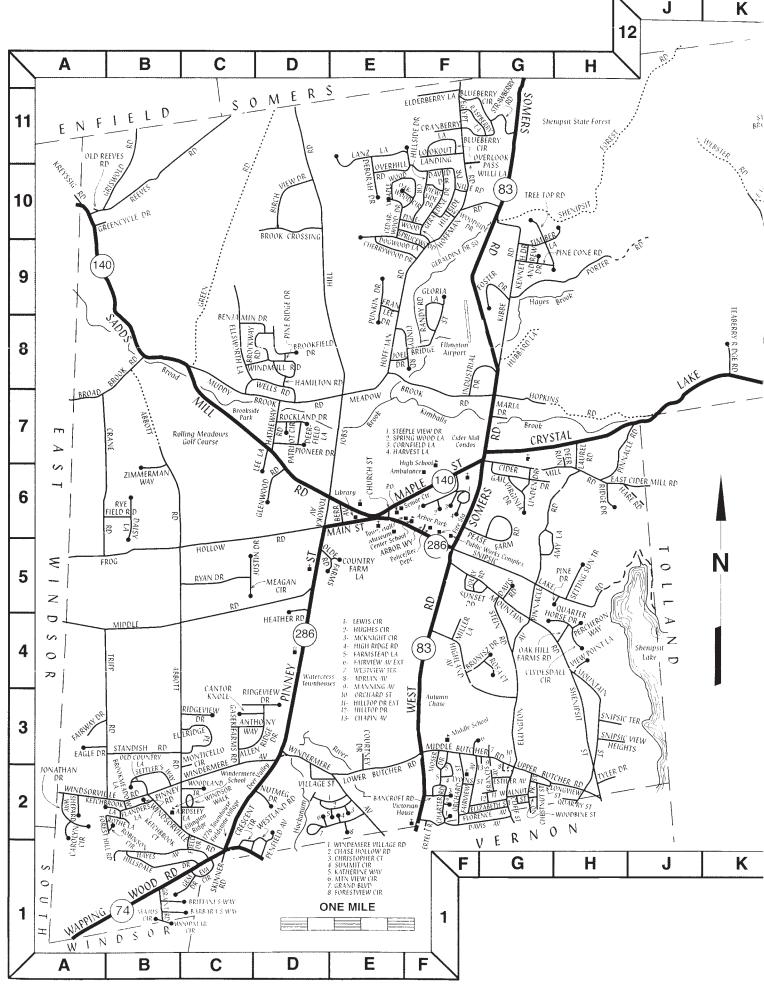
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AREA

Ellington is located 16 miles, northeast of Hartford with 34.8 square miles of area.

ALTITUDE

The altitude ranges from 200 feet to 950 feet above sea level. Most of the town is approximately 450 feet above sea level.

CLIMATE

The average temperatures in the town are 74 degrees during the summer months and 25 degrees during the winter months. Wind directions are south to southwest in the summer, and north to west in the winter.

POPULATION

The population of the town has remained moderately stable over the past ten years. As of 2021, the population was approximately 16,630.

GOVERNMENT

The Town has a Selectman form of government, which operates under a charter adopted in 1975. The Town Meeting serves as the legislative arm of the government. The Board of Finance recommends the annual budget to the Town Meeting for approval and sets the tax rate.

STREETS

The Town has 94 miles of municipally maintained roads. The State of Connecticut maintains 24.62 miles of state roads which intersect the town. These are Routes 140, 286, 83, 30, 32, and 74.

TAXES

The Town currently has a tax rate of 32.5 mills applied to the 2020 Grand List at 70% of Fair Market Value of property. The tax rate for motor vehicles is 32.46 mills.

SEWERS

The Ellington Water Pollution Control Authority manages three major sewer systems: Longview, Hockanum River and Crystal Lake. Approximately 90% of the commercially zoned land has direct access to the sewer system. Windermere Industrial Park has either direct or reasonable access to the sewer system.

WATER

The Town is serviced by CT Water Co. which have the capacity of accommodating approximately 70% of the commercial and industrial zoned land. Shenipsit Lake is the largest local water source which spans the borders of two adjoining towns. Crystal Lake is located in Ellington and stretches over an area of 175 acres. The Hockanum River runs north-south and is located in the southern part of town.

SCHOOLS

The Ellington school system includes five schools which provide public education for grade levels kindergarten through 12th grade inclusive. Total enrollment as of 2021-22 is 2,621 students. Within a 20-mile radius the Town has access to the University of Connecticut, Manchester Community Technical College, Eastern Connecticut State University, Trinity College and Asnuntuck Community Technical College.

INCOME

The Median income per household was \$89,654 as of the 2020 Census.

HOUSING

As of the 2015 Census, the Town of Ellington had 7,336 housing units, including 462 condominiums. There are 11 apartment complexes, one of which provides subsidized housing.

AIRPORT

The Town has a privately-owned airport that is centrally located to provide air carrier service to both New York and Boston. The airport can accommodate both fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters.

RECREATION

The Town provides beach facilities at Crystal Lake during the summer months. The State of Connecticut maintains a public boat launch at Crystal Lake. The Town maintains sports facilities at each school, Robert Tedford Memorial Park and the High School Athletic Field, providing manicured playing fields. In 2004, a new playscape was constructed for elementary children at Center School. The Pavilion at Robert Tedford Memorial Park was completed in 1991. The building, equipped with restrooms and a concession stand, is available to local groups by obtaining a permit from the Parks and Recreation Office. Arbor Park, located on Main Street, contains a walking course and 2 gazebos, picnic tables, and Sunday evening concerts sponsored by the Recreation Department. In 2012, four new tennis courts were completed at Schwartz Field next to Ellington High School. The Pinney Street fields, which include lacrosse and soccer fields, were constructed and completed in 2015.

LOCAL BUSINESS

The Ellington business community is currently a blend of agriculture and small commercial and industrial enterprises. The dairy industry has long been the major producer of goods, but Ellington also provides products in the fields of packaging, pharmaceuticals, sporting goods, automotives, industrial designs and printing. The Farmers Market runs Saturdays from May -October; 9am -12:00pm in Arbor Park.

SENIOR CENTER

The Ellington Senior Center is located at 40 Maple Street. The hours are Monday 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



ELLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS District School Calendar

First Day: September 1, 2022 181st Day: June 12, 2023

2022 - 2023

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S Graduation will take place on June 9, 2023. This graduation date will remain June 9, 2023 in the event school closings push back the 180th day. *The last day for students will be on June 12, 23 *In the event of excessive snow days, a decision regarding April vacation will be made as early in March as possible.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

	(Area Code 860)	IN AN EMERGENCY POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE DIAL 911				
	Non-Emergency Calls		Visit the website at <u>ellington-ct.gov</u>			
Ambulance	Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps	870-3170	Town Hall			
	41 Maple Street, P.O. Box 71		Address: 55 Main Street, Ellington, CT 06	029		
Fire	Crystal Lake Volunteer Fire Department 316 Sandy Beach Road	870-3174	Mailing Address: P.O. Box 187, Ellington, CT	06029		
	Ellington Volunteer Fire Department	870-3190	Town Hall Hours			
Deller	29 Main Street, P.O. Box 911	075 4522	Monday 8:00	am to 6:30 pm		
Police	Resident State Troopers' Office 33 Arbor Way, P.O. Box 187	875-1522	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:00	am to 4:30 pm		
	State Police Troop C	896-3200	Friday	Closed		
	1320 Tolland Stage Road, Tolland CT	050 5200	,			
ADMINISTRAT	ION, 55 Main Street, P.O. Box 187	870-3100	SCHOOLS website: ellingtonschools.org			
Lori Spielman,	First Selectman	870-3102 (Fax)	Scott Nicol, Ed.D., Superintendent, 47 Main Street	896-2300		
LouAnn Cannel	lla, Human Resources Coordinator		Tracey Deptula, Administrative Assistant	896-2312 (Fax)		
Julia Connor, E	xec Assistant/Communications Coordinator		Jennifer Brown, Human Resources Coordinator	896-2300		
Rebecca Einsie	del, Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary		Special Education Services	896-2300		
	ROL, 21 Main Street	870-3155	Center School (Michael Verderame, Principal)	896-2315		
	ach, Animal Control Officer	870-3554 (Fax)	Crystal Lake School (Dario Soto, Principal)	896-2322		
	Main Street, P.O. Box 199	870-3109	Ellington High School (John Guidry, Principal)	896-2352		
Assessor		870-3197 (Fax)	High School Guidance Office	896-2357		
Laura Plona, De			Ellington Middle School (Michele Murray and Michael Nash, Principals)	896-2339		
,	a, Administrative Assessment Technician ARTMENT, 57 Main Street	870-3124	Windermere School (Jennifer Hill, Principal)	896-2329		
	in, Building Official	870-3124 (Fax)	SENIOR CENTER, 40 Maple Street	830-2323 870-3133		
	tie, Administrative Secretary	070-5122 (Tax)	Sheila Grady, Director	870-3136 (Fax)		
-	MITS, 57 Main Street	870-3126	Samantha Baer, Assistant Director	070 5150 (Fux)		
	Rachel Dearborn	875-8204	Erica Botti, Administrative Secretary			
	EACH, 31 Arbor Way	870-3131	Transportation	870-3133		
	Elderly Outreach/Social Worker					
EMERGENCY &	RISK MANAGEMENT	870-3182	SEWER ADMINISTRATION & MAINTENANCE	870-3140		
Walter Lee, Em	nergency & Risk Management Director	870-3103 (Fax)	Ken Radziwon, Director & WPCA Administrator			
FINANCE, 55 M	1ain Street	870-3115	Emergency Sewer Maintenance Number	870-3145		
	ro, Finance Officer/Treasurer	870-3158 (Fax)	STATE ROADS			
	e, Assistant Finance Officer/Deputy Treasurer		East Windsor DOT Garage	623-4473		
	ere, Accounting Assistant		Vernon DOT Garage	875-4993		
	ccounting & Payroll Specialist	070 2120	TAX DEPARTMENT, 55 Main Street, P.O. Box 158	870-3113		
James York, Fir	., 57 Main Street	870-3126 870-3122 (Fax)	Ann Marie Conti, Tax and Revenue Collector Ashley Bastien, Deputy Tax and Revenue Collector	870-3704 (Fax)		
,	e Marshal Deputy Fire Marshal	870-3122 (Tax)	Joann Bolles, Tax Clerk			
	Central District Health Department	745-0383	TOWN CLERK/REGISTRAR VITAL STATISTICS	870-3105		
	e) Sulik, M.P.H., R.S. Director of Health		Diane McKeegan, Town Clerk, 55 Main Street	870-3721 (Fax)		
•	HORITY, 20 Main Street, PO Box 416	872-6923	Donna G. Hosey, Assistant Town Clerk			
	CES, 31 Arbor Way	870-3128	TOWN PLANNER, 57 Main Street	870-3120		
Rebecca Stack,	Director	870-3198 (Fax)	Lisa Houlihan, Town Planner	870-3122 (Fax)		
Elderly Outread	ch/Social Worker		John Colonese, Assistant Town Planner			
Kelly Hearn, Hu	uman Services Assistant		Barbra Galovich, Land Use Assistant			
	. MEMORIAL 93 Main St, PO Box 280	870-3160	TREE WARDEN, 21 Main Street	870-3140		
Susan Phillips,		870-3163 (Fax)	Ken Radziwon, Tree Warden			
	GENT, 31 Arbor Way	870-3128	VETERANS' REPRESENTATIVE	870-3182		
POLICE, 33 Art		870-1698	Walter Lee, Emergency & Risk Management	870-3103 (Fax)		
	a, Resident State Troopers' Office	870-3152 (Fax)				
	6 Church Street	875-6391	VOTING, (Registrars of Voters) 55 Main Street Lois Timms-Ferrara, Democrat, Registrar of Voters	870-3107		
	RT, 14 Park Place, Vernon S DEPARTMENT, 21 Main Street	872-0519 870-3140	Wanda DeLand, Republican, Registrar of Voters	870-3108 (Fax)		
	Director & WPCA Administrator	870-3140 870-3147 (Fax)	YOUTH SERVICES, 31 Arbor Way	870-3130		
Tom Modzelew		870-3147 (Fax)	Diane Lasher-Penti, Director	870-3198 (Fax)		
	, Administrative Assistant		Kristen Harp, Assistant Youth Services Director			
RECREATION, 3		870-3118	Kayla Condron, Prevention Coordinator			
Dustin Huguen		871-3198 (Fax)	Jessica Maitland, Program Coordinator			
	Assistant Director		ZONING/WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT, 57 Main St.	870-3120		
	Recreation Coordinator		John Colonese, Zoning/Wetlands Enforcement Off.	870-3122 (Fax)		
	ecreation Program Assistant					
Tina Modzelew	vski, Administrative Secretary					
	Recycling and Refuse 870-3140		Trash or Bulky Waste Pickup Informa			
	Samuel Saunders, Recycling & Refuse Coordin	ator	call All American Waste (860) 289-7			
	Department of Public Works		Household Hazardous Waste call MidNeroc (8	60) 684-3163		







