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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

April 7, 2025

Nicholas J. DiCorleto, Jr. Meeting Hall
and via ZOOM Conferencing

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. ROLL CALL

Selectmen Present: Lori Spielman, David Stavens, Mary Cardin, James Prichard [arrived 6:31 pm], John Turner, Ronald Stomberg, Jamison Boucher

Town Staff Present: Matthew Reed, Town Administrator; Tom Modzelewski, Director, Department of Public Works (DPW); *Sue Phillips, Director, Cheryl Chamberlin, Library Technical Assistant, Hall Memorial Library; Molly Lukiwsky, Municipal Management Intern; Tiffany Pignataro, Finance Officer/Treasurer; *LouAnn Cannella, Human Resources Coordinator

Emergency Service Agency Representatives Present: Robert Smith, Chief, Ellington Volunteer Fire Department (EVFD); Peter Hany Sr., President, Alisa Smith, Scheduling Officer/ Lieutenant, Ellington Volunteer Ambulance Corps (EVAC)

Other Elected Officials Present: None

**Attended via ZOOM*

III. PUBLIC COMMENT [*Shall not exceed 30 minutes unless extended by majority vote of the Board*]

No one came forward.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 3, 2025 Budget Meeting

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 3, 2025 BUDGET MEETING.

B. March 10, 2025 Regular Meeting

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 10, 2025 REGULAR MEETING.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tax Refunds/Abatements

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE TAX REFUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,854.86 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TAX & REVENUE COLLECTOR AND AS SPECIFIED IN THE REFUNDS/ABATEMENTS STATEMENT DATED APRIL 2025 [ATTACHED].

B. Ellington Trails Committee – T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program

First Selectman Spielman noted that the Trails Committee (the Committee) members have done a phenomenal job maintaining and developing the trails, and that this grant would be very beneficial. Mr. Stavens asked if there was a Town match element; there is not. Mr. Turner asked for confirmation on the canopy coverage area; it will only cover the stage area of the amphitheater. Linda Anderson, Trails Chairman, shared that the proposal includes portable power stations that any group would be able to use. Ms. Cardin asked if the property is Town-owned and currently maintained by the Town; it was confirmed that DPW and the Committee handle the maintenance on the Town-owned land. The Amphitheater Use Form is already in place and will continue to be utilized by groups wishing to use the space. Ms. Cardin asked how many people or groups have utilized the amphitheater in the past year; Ms. Anderson shared that the Committee held a program, the Scouts use it when they camp, and a lot of people have expressed interest in using it if there was electricity. Ms. Allen from the Committee commented that the addition of electricity would increase use, as the Library has shown interest in a concert series there and the Ellington Community Theater would be very interested in using it for programming. Ms. Cardin asked about estimated maintenance costs. Ms. Amsel of the Committee noted that it would need to be re-stained every ten years or so, but there would be little additional maintenance, and Mr. Modzelewski agreed, adding that the Committee is very mindful of their budget. Mr. Turner commented on the other elements of the parcel, including the walking trail and community garden. It was confirmed that the Committee monitors events in case of damage or excessive litter being left. Discussion was held on the procedure if an outside group requested to use the amphitheater.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE THE ELLINGTON TRAILS COMMITTEE TO APPLY FOR THE T-MOBILE HOMETOWN GRANT IN ORDER TO FUND THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A PERMANENT CANOPY OVER THE BATZ AMPHITHEATER.

C. Re-establish Ad Hoc Committees

1. Beautification

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RE-ESTABLISH THE AD HOC ELLINGTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR TO APRIL 2026.

2. Trails

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RE-ESTABLISH THE AD HOC ELLINGTON TRAILS COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR TO APRIL 2026.

D. 2025-2026 Annual Town Budget Meeting Notice

1. Payment of Real Estate, Personal Property, and Automobile Tax
2. Send Budget to Town Meeting or Adjourn to Referendum

The members agreed to adjourn the Town Meeting to a referendum vote.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO SEND THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. To determine that municipal tax shall be paid in two (2) installments for real estate and personal property tax in excess of six hundred dollars (\$600), and motor vehicle tax to be paid in one (1) installment with designated due dates as stated in the Connecticut State Statutes, Section 7-383, 12-142, 12-144, and 12-144a. Further, supplemental motor vehicle tax shall be due by January 1st of each year. Additionally, the Town shall waive any property tax due in an amount less than five (5) dollars as stated in the Connecticut State Statutes, Section 12-144c.
2. To adjourn the Annual Town Budget Meeting to a referendum to be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm, with the following question:
"SHALL THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON APPROPRIATE, AS RECOMMENDED AND AS ALLOCATED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE, THE TOTAL SUM FOR ALL EXPENDITURES, A/K/A BUDGET GRAND TOTAL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, THE SUM TO BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE?"

3. Approval of Draft Legal Notice for Annual Budget Meeting

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE LEGAL NOTICE FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING, AS VOTED ABOVE UNDER ITEM VI.D-2, AND TO INCLUDE THE SUM AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE.

E. Crystal Lake Sailing Club – 2025 Sailboat Race Series

It was noted that this event has been going on for many years.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE 2025 SAILBOAT RACE SERIES, AS PLANNED AND PRESENTED BY THE CRYSTAL LAKE SAILING CLUB.

F. Fair Housing

1. Proclamation of April as Fair Housing Month in Ellington

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE FAIR HOUSING MONTH PROCLAMATION [ATTACHED].

2. Fair Housing Resolution

Ms. Cardin asked if these documents were available to the public. Mr. Reed shared that once they are adopted each year, they are available. Ms. Cardin shared her belief that items being discussed at these meetings should be provided to the public ahead of time. Mr. Reed noted that there needs to be a uniform manner of publicly disclosing appropriate items.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION [ATTACHED].

3. Fair Housing Statement

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE FAIR HOUSING POLICY STATEMENT [ATTACHED], AS IT IS THE POLICY OF THE TOWN TO PROMOTE FAIR HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO ENCOURAGE RACIAL AND ECONOMIC INTEGRATION IN ALL OF ITS PROGRAMS AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

G. Earth Day Event – Closure of Church Street

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO GRANT THE REQUEST OF THE EARTH DAY COMMITTEE TO CLOSE CHURCH STREET DURING THE 2025 EARTH DAY EVENT ON APRIL 26, 2025.

H. Youth Services Job Descriptions for Approval

1. Assistant Director – Revised

Ms. Cardin asked what the changes were within the job description. Mr. Reed shared that he, along with Ms. Cannella, had a conversation with the Youth Services Director and the changes reflect a realignment of duties within the Department; all the same activities are still covered.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED [AYE: STAVENS/PRICHARD/TURNER/STOMBERG/BOUCHER; ABSTAIN: CARDIN] TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE ASSISTANT YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR JOB DESCRIPTION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR.

2. Program and Prevention Coordinator – New

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE PROGRAM AND PREVENTION COORDINATOR JOB DESCRIPTION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR.

3. Youth Program Specialist – New

Mr. Turner noted that this position was part-time and seemed quite different from the other two. Mr. Reed agreed that this position is more entry-level, and he expects it to be funded with a grant. This individual will focus on some very specific programs at the direction of the Director and Assistant Director. Ms. Cardin asked if this position was part of the proposed budget. Mr. Reed shared that this position existed in the past and was grant-funded, and when that individual was promoted, there was a review and merging of tasks; the current position has been revamped to include more bolstered evening programming.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE YOUTH PROGRAM SPECIALIST JOB DESCRIPTION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR.

I. Ellington Women's Club Fair on the Green – Special Event License/Closure of Church Street

Mr. Stavens asked about last year's outstanding balance; First Selectman Spielman confirmed that it was paid today. Brief conversation was held on the importance of having police presence and both pedestrian and traffic control at an event like this.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ISSUE A SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE TO THE ELLINGTON WOMEN'S CLUB FOR THE FAIR ON THE GREEN ON SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025 FROM 9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM. FURTHER, THAT THE ISSUANCE OF THIS SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE IS CONTINGENT UPON THE APPROVAL OF ALL APPROPRIATE TOWN DEPARTMENTS/AGENCIES AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS.

J. Budget Adjustment Request – LoCIP

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO INCREASE THE BUDGETED EXPENDITURES IN ACCOUNT 1000.11.01102.70.60750 LOCAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

PROGRAM BY \$3,632 TO BRING TOTAL ADJUSTED BUDGETED EXPENDITURES IN LINE WITH GRANT AWARD AS COMMUNICATED BY THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT. FURTHER, TO INCREASE IN THE GRANT REVENUE BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR ACCOUNT 1000.01.00000.00.40154 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,632, THUS RESULTING IN A NET TOTAL APPROPRIATION FROM THE UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE FOR LOCAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ACTIVITY OF \$-0- FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.

K. Contract Award – Phone System

Ms. Cardin asked if this contract replaces the current vendor. Ms. Pignataro confirmed this and noted that the pricing under this contract is better than what the Town was dealing with previously, as it piggybacks off of the RFP used for the Windermere project. It was confirmed that all Town phones on the current system will be switched over, and it should be a seamless transition as physical equipment won't have to be switched out, it's just a change to the back-end software management system. Mr. Turner brought up the outside emergency phones at the ambulance and fire stations; these are on a copper wire system so they are not included in this transition, and these phones may be pulled entirely. Mr. Turner brought up past requirements that these phones be in place, and a brief discussion was held on whether that requirement still exists. Mr. Reed and Mr. Modzelewski commented on the possibility of moving towards a blue light system, similar to what is seen on college campuses, as there is money remaining from the comprehensive lighting project. Mr. Modzelewski noted the limited availability of AEDs at Tedford Park, adding that the blue light stations have AED capabilities and also can automatically signal to the appropriate dispatch center in an emergency. In addition, these communication lines get priority when there is a lot of phone traffic. Once there is funding approval from the Permanent Building Committee, the Town will coordinate with emergency services to ensure that everything is handled properly.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON PHONE SYSTEM SERVICES TO RING CENTRAL OF BELMONT, CALIFORNIA, FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 11, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 10, 2028 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. FURTHER, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE TWO ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSIONS.

L. Award of RFP: Auditing Services

Ms. Cardin asked what the percent increase was; Ms. Pignataro shared that it was an annual 4% increase. Ms. Pignataro shared a few possible reasons why there were no other bidders, noting that the Town has a great relationship with this vendor and that they have been good to work with over the past five years. Mr. Turner added that for a new company coming in for the first time, the time and work investment would likely be higher that first year. It was also noted that additional Town projects as well as state and federal funding increase the internal control and compliance testing that is required during the audit process.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO AWARD THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR AUDITING SERVICES TO CLA (CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN LLP) OF WEST HARTFORD, CT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER/TREASURER PENDING BOARD OF FINANCE APPROVAL. FURTHER, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS.

M. Lease Extension: BOE BASES Program – 89 West Road

Ms. Cardin asked what the increase is compared to last year; Ms. Pignataro reached out to Alisha Carpino, who confirmed that there was no increase in the cost. It was also noted that this comes out of a special revenue fund, not the operating budget.

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO EXECUTE THE LEASE EXTENSION FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AT 89 WEST ROAD, UNIT 2A, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 FOR MONTHLY PAYMENTS OF \$1,550, NOT TO EXCEED \$18,600 ANNUALLY.

N. Review and Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement for the Ellington Police Union, represented by the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 311-CIO

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (STOMBERG) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO RATIFY THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON AND ELLINGTON POLICE UNION REPRESENTED BY THE SES FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, LODGE 311, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028. FURTHER, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE SAID CONTRACT.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Mr. Turner brought up the 642 outstanding motor vehicle accounts listed in the Tax Collector's report, totaling \$186,977.90, in addition to the outstanding supplemental accounts. He acknowledged that the staff works hard to collect these back taxes, and while most people pay on time, there's still this amount out there. Ms. Pignataro shared that monthly delinquent statements are sent out, and that instead of a marshal, a law firm will be used this year to threaten court action for unpaid accounts. She added that with the State changing vehicle registration requirements, it does make it more difficult on the collections end, and that this is in line with historical numbers. Mr. Boucher asked if a collection rate increase was expected with the law firm approach; Ms. Pignataro shared that hopefully this new tactic will help, and that the fee paid to the law firm is the same as what the marshal cost.

VIII. SELECTMEN COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. Personnel Committee

1. Resignations: None
2. Appointments

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REAPPOINT KATHY HEMINWAY, KAY LUGINBUHL, CAROLE GERBER, AARTI NATHAN, MELISSA O'NEIL, CHRISTOPHER AGUILAR, ALICE MAYER, KAREN HUNT, AND JENNIFER WELLS TO THE AD HOC ELLINGTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE TO SERVE ONE-YEAR TERMS THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REAPPOINT DONNA ALLEN, MICHAEL EMONS, VALERIE AMSEL, LINDSAY NEUBECKER, DEANNA WAMBOLT-GULICK, CYNTHIA VAN ZELM, LINDA ANDERSON, WILLIAM SCHULTZ, THOMAS PALSHAW, DAN CHAMBERLIN, ROBERT BARONE, ANN HARFORD, STEVEN AUSTIN, AND STUART LANZ TO THE AD HOC ELLINGTON TRAILS COMMITTEE TO SERVE ONE-YEAR TERMS THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT KATHY CATON TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO COMPLETE AN UNEXPIRED TERM THROUGH MARCH 31, 2029, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ELLINGTON DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT AMOS SMITH TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, PENDING A COMPLETED STATEMENT OF INTEREST, TO COMPLETE AN UNEXPIRED TERM THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ELLINGTON DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (CARDIN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REAPPOINT ELIZABETH NORD TO THE INSURANCE ADVISORY BOARD TO SERVE A FOUR-YEAR TERM THROUGH APRIL 30, 2029.

MOVED (PRICHARD), SECONDED (STAVENS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REAPPOINT DANIEL PARISI TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY TO SERVE A FOUR-YEAR TERM THROUGH APRIL 30, 2029.

B. Liaison Reports:

IX. FIRST SELECTMAN/TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

First Selectman Spielman shared that John Rainaldi was her guest on the Community Voice Channel. He gave an update on the veterans' exemption program as well as recent motor vehicle changes; there will be presentations at the Senior Center and the Library with a lot of information. She has been attending Earth Day meetings, and she and Mr. Reed recently met with the Town of Somers, as they are considering adding a Town Administrator position. Jarmoc Farms is building a total of 42 tobacco sheds near where Sadds Mill abuts Green Road; Mr. Turner added that before there is additional development in the area, a name change for Green Road would be beneficial, as there is a Green Street in the Crystal Lake area that can be complicated from a 911 standpoint. First Selectman Spielman attended a recent CRCOG Policy Board meeting, the Women's Club is holding their annual Fair on the Green, and she met with Mr. Modzelewski and the DPW Foreman to walk the Kibbe Road land that was recently purchased by the Town. The Arbor Park canopy over the fitness equipment is also complete.

Mr. Reed shared that the Jarmoc Farms project will need additional Planning and Zoning approvals for the entire use of the property, and Mr. Modzelewski noted that the total acreage is in the mid-twenties with multiple parcels. Mr. Reed has attended Freedom of Information and Neighborhood Assistance Act trainings, as well as a recent employment law conference. He also participated in a Community Voice Channel recording on the budget process. The BOS was reminded that the budget public hearing is scheduled for tomorrow at 7:00 pm at the high school. Mr. Reed had a conversation with the Connecticut Foundation Solutions Indemnity Company about crumbling foundations in Town; there are 58 homes currently pending, and these homes are subject to a reduced assessment. The goal is to encourage legislation that would allow another round of funding so that these homes can be repaired. Comments have been submitted on two pieces of pending legislation, one related to tax on solar array installments, and the other related to limiting municipalities' ability to collect fees on credit card payments. He continues to work with Mr. Hany and EVAC on a successor agreement. The Police Union contract is officially ratified by both parties,

and EVAC is in union contract negotiations as well. The Assessor has applied the revised motor vehicle depreciation schedule and new numbers will be presented to the Board of Finance to reset the current proposal. Other budget cuts have also been identified to lower the proposed 2 mill increase. Ms. Cardin asked if the Board of Education has also identified cuts; Ms. Pignataro shared that they have identified two operating budget items and one capital item that can be cut. Mr. Reed noted that the BOE has been incredibly cooperative and that it has been a collaborative effort. Ms. Cardin also asked about the status of the CMERS litigation. Mr. Reed shared that motions for summary judgment were filed two weeks ago; there will be an opportunity to respond, and the judge will take all of this into consideration.

X. CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER COMMUNICATION FROM THE BOS

No other correspondence was discussed.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED (TURNER), SECONDED (BOUCHER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AT 7:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Connor

Julia Connor, Recording Secretary

Lori Spielman

Lori Spielman, First Selectman

TOWN OF ELLINGTON
TAX AND REVENUE COLLECTOR'S REFUND REPORT
April 2025

VI.A

Amount	Name	Tax	GL Year	Requesting Dept.	Reason
\$ 333.27	ALLY FINANCIAL	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SOLD 2/24
\$ 466.12	ALLY FINANCIAL	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SOLD 3/24
\$ 4,005.90	CORELOGIC CENTRALIZED REFUNDS	RE	2023	TAX	OVERPAYMENT
\$ 2,139.30	CORELOGIC CENTRALIZED REFUNDS	RE	2023	TAX	OVERPAYMENT
\$ 665.75	CULA LLC	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SENT TO GRANBY
\$ 58.29	FERGUSON GLEN	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SOLD 2/24
\$ 5.29	FERGUSON GLEN	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SOLD 8/24
\$ 177.95	HONDA LEASE TRUST	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SOLD 4/24
\$ 10.00	HOYT EILEEN + BRADLEY	RE	2023	TAX	OVERPAYMENT
\$ 641.42	MORGAN VIVIANE	MV	2023	TAX	OVERPAYMENT
\$ 88.65	NGUYEN HAI	MV	2023	ASSESSOR	SOLD 4/24
\$ 6,262.92	SMITH MARK + REBECCA	RE	2023	TAX	OVERPAYMENT
\$ 14,854.86	REFUND TOTAL FOR APRIL 2025				

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FAIR HOUSING PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the month of April is recognized nationally as Fair Housing Month; and

WHEREAS, Fair Housing is important to ensure to all Americans the Right to live in a decent, safe and sanitary environment; and

WHEREAS, Fair Housing is the legal right of every American; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ellington is proud to participate in the recognition and support of Fair Housing Month;

NOW, THEREFORE the Ellington Board of Selectmen DO HEREBY PROCLAIM
April to be Fair Housing Month in Ellington, Connecticut.

April 7, 2025
Date

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EQUAL HOUSING
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FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION TOWN OF ELLINGTON

Whereas, The Fair Housing Act, enacted on April 11, 1968, enshrined into federal law the goal of eliminating racial segregation and ending housing discrimination in the United States; and

Whereas, State and federal fair housing laws prohibit discrimination and require that all individuals be given equal access to rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location, and

Whereas, The Town of Ellington is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Ellington hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law.

Adopted by the Town of Ellington on April 7, 2025

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Fair Housing Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Town of Ellington to promote fair housing opportunities and to encourage racial and economic integration in all its programs and housing development activities.

Programs funded and administered by the Town must comply with the provisions of Section 46a-64c of the C.G.S., and with related state and federal laws and regulations that prohibit discriminatory housing practices.

The Town of Ellington or any of sub-recipient of the Town will carry out an affirmative marketing program to attract prospective buyers or tenants of all majority or minority groups, without consideration of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, lawful source of income, disability, age or because the individual has children in all programs and housing development activities funded or administered by the Town.

The Town of Ellington's Human Services Department is responsible for the enforcement and implementation of this policy. The Fair Housing Officer, Rebecca Stack, may be reached by telephone at **860.870.3128**, by mail at 31 Arbor Way, P.O. Box 187, Ellington, CT 06029 or by email at rstack@ellington-ct.gov.

Complaints pertaining to discrimination in any program funded or administered by the Town of Ellington may be filed with the Ellington Human Services Department. The municipality's Grievance Procedure will be utilized in these cases.

Complaints may also be filed with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, Special Enforcement Unit, 21 Grand Street, Hartford, CT 06106, Telephone (860) 541-3403 within 180 days of the alleged violation by submitting a notarized complaint and/or the Boston Regional Office of FHEO, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building, 10 Causeway Street, Room 321, Boston, MA 02222-1092, Telephone (617) 994-8300 or 1-800-827-5005, TTY (617) 565-5453. A complaint may be filed with HUD within one year after an alleged violation. Additionally, an individual may file suit, at his/her expense, in Federal District Court or State Court within two years of an alleged violation. If the individual cannot afford an attorney, the Court

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may appoint one. A suit can be brought even after filing a complaint, if the complaining party has not signed a conciliation agreement and an Administrative Law Judge has not started a hearing. A court may award actual and punitive damages and attorney's fees and costs.

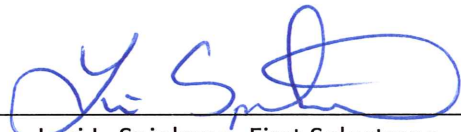
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A copy of this policy statement will be given annually to all Ellington employees and they are expected to fully comply with it. In addition, a copy will be posted throughout Ellington's Town Hall.

April 7, 2025
Date


Lori L. Spielman, First Selectman

THIS STATEMENT IS AVAILABLE IN LARGE PRINT OR ON AUDIO TAPE by contacting Ellington's Human Services Department, 55 Main Street, PO Box 187, Ellington, CT. 06029-0187, Phone 860.870.3128.

