TOWN OF CANTON

Tropical Storm Irene





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ANNUAL REPORT ENDING JUNE 30, 2012

Incorporated 1806 Canton, Canton Center, North Canton & Collinsville

This Annual Report is dedicated to Town employees and residents who volunteered to provide essential public services during the 2011 storms

DEDICATION



The Town's Public Works, Social Services, Police Department and volunteer Fire/EMS personnel rose to the occasion to meet the demands caused by Tropical Storm Irene and Storm Alfred. Town staff along with numerous volunteers provided food and a place to sleep at the town's emergency shelter and cleared the public highways and resident's front yards of debris. Everyone pitched in to help those in need. The dedication of our municipal employees and citizens again showed why Canton is not just a Town, but a true community.

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TOWN MEETING



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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, September 14, 2011

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Canton and those qualified taxpayers lawfully entitled to vote in Canton Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes that a Special Town Meeting will be commenced on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM in Room F at the Canton Public Library & Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, Connecticut, to consider and take action on the following questions:

1. Shall the Town of Canton appropriate an additional \$25,839.62 from the undesignated fund balance to account number 1008130-52010 entitled Workers Compensation to fund the current portion of the special assessments charged by the Town's previous workers compensation insurer Municipal Interlocal Risk Management Agency (MIRMA) for fiscal years 2003-3004 and 2004-2005?

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 6th day of September, 2011

Board of Selectmen

RETURN OF NOTICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on September 2, 2011, I left a copy of the foregoing warning and notice with Linda Smith, Town Clerk.

I FURTHUR CERTIFY that on September 6, 2011, I caused a copy of said warning and notice to be published in the Hartford Courant, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on September 8, 2011, I caused to be set upon all sign posts in said Town and all other places designated by the Town a copy of said warning and notice signed by me.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all of the above acts were done by me at least five days before the holding of said meeting on September 14, 2011.

Richard J. Barlow

Richard J. Barlow First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, September 14, 2011

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Wednesday, September 14, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Public Library and Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Collinsville, CT. James Bixler, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

Richard Barlow moved that the meeting consider and take action on:

Shall the Town of Canton appropriate an additional \$25,839.62 from the undesignated fund balance to account number 1008130-52010 entitled Workers Compensation to fund the current portion of the special assessments charged by the Town's previous workers compensation insurer Municipal Interlocal Risk Management Agency (MIRMA) for fiscal years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005?

Seconded by David Gilchrist.

Discussion:

Chief Administrative Officer Robert Skinner explained the relationship The Town of Canton has had with MIRMA. From 2003-2005 they provided our worker's compensation insurance. During that time the town paid premiums but eventually went with another carrier. In 2010 we received a special assessment notice for additional premiums for the 2003-2005 period in the amount of \$122,785. The contract we had with MIRMA stated that they could charge the assessment under special circumstances. The special assessment was derived from our claims history and MIRMA claims/financial history. The total special assessment for all towns involved with MIRMA at the time was \$10 million. First charge was 1/6 of the total assessment plus 25% and the next three years thereafter was 25% for each year. The first payment was approved and paid last year by the Board of Finance. Every year they will do a re-evaluation and tell us what the special assessment should be. This year's 25% assessment is for \$25,839.62. The Board of Finance wanted this payment to go before a Special Town Meeting. After this payment we will have two others.

Patrick Hemingway, President of MIRMA, gave a history of MIRMA. It was formed under the CT Statutes and is a self insurance group. Each of the 60 towns that is a part of it signs a membership agreement and is liable for each other. The original assessment which was approved by the State of CT Insurance Department was based on actuarial evaluations. Last year the IBNR (incurred but not reported) amount reported by the actuaries reduced the payment by \$925,000 for the overall plan. The revised amount minus payments that have already been made will determine the new 25% figure that each town will be assessed.

Comments and questions were made by:

Ben Holden, Boulder Ridge- he questioned the agenda because prior payments were not made legal. The town needs to make right the payments already made before moving forward with this payment

Richard Barlow, First Selectman-the Towns collectively got together with legal counsel and it was determined that there was a legal obligation of the towns. A forensic audit was requested by the State of CT Insurance Department but was denied. There was no other remedy for the towns and the towns moved forward to make payment.

Mr. Holden moved to table the agenda. Marc Cerniglia seconded.

Vote: Yes 4 / No 8

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, September 14, 2011

Continued:

Bruce Lockwood, East Hill Road- every contract the town has doesn't go to a Special Town Meeting for disbursement. Payments were done based on contractual language. It was an operational based action.

Marc Cerniglia, Ellsworth Lane- questioned the accuracy of the numbers, asked for backup to their analysis, because we were refused a forensic analysis we are obliged to ask questions

Jim Keane, Freedom Drive- this has become a highly predictable expense. It should be paid so why was it not included in the budget?

Lowell Humphrey, Canton Valley Circle- The town was provided with an initial bill which was over \$100K so we were put on notice and should have followed the Charter which states any financial obligation over \$100K goes to a Special Town Meeting. It is a situation similar to a recent heart and hypertension claim that went to a Special Town Meeting.

Marc Cerniglia, Ellsworth Lane- Mr. Cerniglia had a series of question for Mr. Hemingway, president of MIRMA. This financial obligation should be left to the auditors.

David Gilchrist, Lawton Road- Canton and other towns on the advice of counsel have decided to pay these bills. Rejecting this advice would do nothing but involve the town in additional litigation. We should approve this expenditure.

David Gilchrist made a motion to call the question. David Sinish seconded.

VOTE: Yes 15 / No 0

The Town Clerk re-read the motion:

Shall the Town of Canton appropriate an additional \$25,839.62 from the undesignated fund balance to account number 1008130-52010 entitled Workers Compensation to fund the current portion of the special assessments charged by the Town's previous workers compensation insurer Municipal Interlocal Risk Management Agency (MIRMA) for fiscal years 2003-2004 and 2004-2005?

VOTE: Yes 11 / No 0

Mr. Barlow made a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Gilchrist seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

<u>Linda Smith</u> Linda Smith, Town Clerk Received for record September 16, 2011

<u>*Linda Smith*</u> Linda Smith, Town Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, April 11, 2012

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Town of Canton and those qualified taxpayers lawfully entitled to vote in Canton Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes that a Special Town Meeting will be commenced on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Canton Public Library & Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, Connecticut, to consider and take action on the following questions:

1) Shall the Town of Canton adopt an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Establishing a Permanent Energy Committee" which creates a seven member advisory agency to promote clean power options, encourage the development of renewable energy and make recommendations for energy conservation?

Copies of the proposed new ordinance is available for public inspection at the Town Clerk's Office and the Canton Public Library during normal business hours and can be viewed at the Town's web site at www.townofcantonct.org.

Dated at Canton, Connecticut this 3rd day of April, 2012

Board of Selectmen

RETURN OF NOTICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 2, 2012, I left a copy of the foregoing warning and notice with Linda Smith, Town Clerk.

I FURTHUR CERTIFY that on April 5, 2012, I caused a copy of said warning and notice to be published in the Hartford Courant, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on April 5, 2012, I caused to be set upon all sign posts in said Town and all other places designated by the Town a copy of said warning and notice signed by me.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all of the above acts were done by me at least five days before the holding of said meeting on April 11, 2012.

Richard J. Barlow Richard J. Barlow First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Wednesday, April 11, 2012

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Public Library and Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Collinsville, CT. David Leff, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

Richard Barlow moved that the meeting consider and take action on:

An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Establishing a Permanent Energy Committee" which creates a seven member advisory agency to promote clean power options, encourage the development of renewable energy and make recommendations for energy conservation

Seconded by David Gilchrist

Discussion:

Mr. Barlow discussed two reasons why the Board of Selectmen is proposing an Energy Committee. The first is that the Temporary Advisory Committee regarding the Hydro project has reached the point where their term can no longer be extended as a temporary committee. This is a worthwhile project and we need the expertise of the current members to continue making recommendations on this project.

The second reason for the proposal is that the State of Connecticut has undertaken a number of initiative which would provide funding and opportunities for both municipalities and individuals to move forward with energy conservation projects. One of the charges of the Energy Committee would be to examine these opportunities for the benefit of the town.

COMMENTS: Ben Holden-20 Boulder Ridge Sarah Faulkner-25 Dyer Ave

There being no further comments, the question was called.

The motion passed with a vote of 11 YES / 0 NO

David Gilchrist made a motion to adjourn. Ben Holden seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm

<u>Linda Smith</u> Linda Smith, Town Clerk Received for record April 12, 2012

<u>Linda Smith</u>

Linda Smith, Town Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING Monday, May 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. Canton Middle/High School - Auditorium

The annual town budget meeting of all electors and those qualified to vote in Town Meetings in the Town of Canton will be held on Monday, May 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Canton Middle/High School, 76 Simonds Avenue, for the purpose of discussing the Board of Finance recommended budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013. The Charter Revision requires 150 Voters be present for a quorum and if not it will automatically go to a referendum which will cost the town approximately \$3,500.

"SHALL THE BOARD OF FINANCE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,739,474 BE APPROVED?"

BUDGET SUMMARY	Audited Actual		Revised Budget	Proposed Budget		
REVENUES	FY 2010/11	F	Y 2011/12	F	Y 2012/13	
Property Taxes	\$ 29,012,299	\$	29,284,499	\$	29,971,966	
Licenses, Permits & Fees	\$ 270,837	\$	282,798	\$	285,313	
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 3,463,154	\$	3,832,821	\$	3,899,495	
Local Department Revenue	\$ 639,419	\$	574,360	\$	541,200	
Investment Income	\$ 34,175	\$	41,500	\$	41,500	
Use of Undesignated Fund Balance	\$ -	\$	185,840	\$	-	
Other Financing Sources	\$ 1,000	\$	-	\$	-	
Total - General Fund Revenues	\$ 33,420,884	\$	34,201,818	\$	34,739,474	
EXPENDITURES						
Board of Selectmen	\$ 8,914,944	\$	9,407,402	\$	9,437,222	
Board of Education	\$ 21,752,660	\$	22,618,066	\$	23,440,402	
Board of Finance	\$ 2,332,571	\$	2,176,350	\$	1,861,850	
Total - General Fund Expenditures	\$ 33,000,175	\$	34,201,818	\$	34,739,474	
Richard Ohanesian Chairman, Board of Finance						

RETURN OF NOTICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 25, 2012, I left a copy of the foregoing warning and notice with Linda Smith, Town Clerk.

I FURTHUR CERTIFY that on May 3, 2012, I caused a copy of said warning and notice to be published in the Hartford Courant, a newspaper having a circulation in said Town.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that on May 8, 2012, I caused to be set upon all sign posts in said Town and all other places designated by the Town a copy of said warning and notice signed by me.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all of the above acts were done by me at least five days before the holding of said meeting on May 14, 2012.

Richard J. Barlow Richard J. Barlow First Selectman

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING Monday, May 14, 2012

The Annual Town Budget Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Monday, May 14, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Middle/High School Auditorium, 76 Simonds Ave, Canton, CT.

Lorinda Pane, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and explained the need for 150 voters to constitute a quorum for this meeting. If 150 voters as determined by the Registrar of Voters immediately prior to taking the vote are not present, then the meeting would be adjourned to a referendum. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

The moderator asked for the following motion:

"SHALL THE BOARD OF FINANCE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,739,474 BE APPROVED?"

Budget presentations were made by:

Richard Ohanesian, Chairman of the Board of Finance, welcomed all in attendance. Highlights of the budget presented are:

- 2.1% increase in spending over previous year
- Reduced CIP by \$125,000
- Left Operating budgets of BOE & BOS intact
- .88% increase in Grand List
- 14% reduction in spending in the BOF budget (debt service has been reduced)
- Although CT & national economies are fragile, the finances of the town are strong and stable requiring prudent financial planning for many years to come
- Wage and benefits continue to rise
- ECS revenue from the State of CT continues to fall behind
- New sources of revenue are limited
- Depressed interest rates have put pressure on the Town's pension liability
- Potential large capital projects/bonding are in the near future
- Taxes will increase by 1/2 of 1%
- .14 Mill increase to 26.42
- Average home will pay an additional \$35 per year
- The recommended budget was passed unanimously by the BOF
- It is a fiscally responsible budget that meets the needs of the community

Richard Barlow, First Selectman, thanked all for attending. Highlights of the BOS budget:

- \$9.4 million which represents a 2.3% increase over last year
- Operating budget is \$8.5 million, an increase of .52% or \$44,265
- The \$44,265 increase was achieved while health care benefits rose 9% (\$61,000), pension obligations rose 11.3% (\$75,000) and MIRMA liability was \$15,000
- The BOS took significant actions in order to achieve the smaller increase by:
 - Reducing attorney fees
 - Reducing the snow removal budget (materials are left over from last year's mild winter)
 - o Committing to new phone lines/telecommunication system to save money
 - Increasing hours in Social Services office

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING Monday, May 14, 2012

Continued:

- Adding a part time seasonal maintainer to assist with the care of the fields
- Decreasing building inspector position/hours
- Sharing IT and Finance staff with the BOE
- The Capital Improvement Plan was increased by \$61,000 which includes:
 - \$50,000 increase to pavement management for a total of \$400,000 for the year
 - Money will be put aside from the CIP for the purchase of new fire apparatus, ambulance and trucks for the DPW
- The Town operates with 59.5 full time staff and 16.5 part time employees
- This is a conservative and fiscally responsible budget

Beth Kandrysawtz, Chairperson of the Board of Education.

Highlights of the BOE budget:

- BOE budget for next year is \$23,440,402
- Increase of 3.636% over last year •
- New fiber optic phone lines/telecommunication system will save money ٠
- Wireless campus on the Middle/High School funded through a grant •
- World Language program will introduce Spanish in the 5th grade •
- Reduction of non-certified staff •
- Energy costs have dropped due to energy efficiency efforts ٠
- Insurance line item is the largest portion of the increase ٠
- Significant increase in insurance claims this year •
- Anthem has projected an increase of 24% in claims •
- Insurance increase for the BOE is \$711,000 for a 3.14% increase ٠
- The new teacher's contract has a wage freeze for next year •
- There is a decline in Special Education out-placed students •
- Contractual increases for other employees & transportation increases remain
- Expected loss of the Federal Job Fund •
- New initiatives are funded through reductions in other areas •

Questions and comments: James Lucignano, 25 Ellsworth Lane Bob?

Tony Newman, 5 Whirling Dun

There being no further comments, the question was called and a motion was made by Garry Miller and seconded by Ben Holden on the question

"SHALL THE BOARD OF FINANCE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,739,474 BE APPROVED?"

The Moderator asked the Registrar of Voters to report on the number of ballots that were distributed. Jack Miner, Republican Registrar of Voters, reported that 172 ballots were distributed.

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING Monday, May 14, 2012

Continued:

According to Town Charter 3.05, a quorum was met and the vote was taken by secret ballot.

THE BOARD OF FINANCE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,739,474 was passed by a vote of:

164 Yes 9 No

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

<u>Linda Smith</u> Linda Smith, Town Clerk Received for record May 16, 2012

<u>*Linda Smith*</u> Linda Smith, Town Clerk

PRINCIPAL **OFFICIALS**

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT PRINCIPAL TOWN OFFICIALS JUNE 30, 2012

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard J. Barlow, First Selectman

David W. Gilchrist Stephen J. Roberto Lowell Humphrey Thomas Sevigny

BOARD OF FINANCE

Richard Ohanesian, Chairman

Bill Canny Brian D. First Mary B. Tomolonius Richard Eickenhorst Kenneth S. Humphrey

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Beth Kandrysawtz, Chairman

Peg Berry Leslee B. Hill Laurie McKenna Helen Treacy

David Briggs Diana Kosior Carlene C. Rhea Patricia R. White

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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

Robert Skinner Christopher Arciero Amy O'Toole Lisa Theroux Harry DerAsadourian Linda Smith Jeff Shea Neil Pade Robert Martin Robert Simon Brian Wilson William Rich Adam Libros

Superintendent of Schools Business Manager **EDUCATION**

Kevin D. Case Edward J. Hoyt



TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

				Variance With
	Budgeted A Original	Amounts Final	Actual	Final Budget Over (Under)
PROPERTY TAXES				
Current year tax collections	\$ 29,044,499	\$ 29,044,499	\$ 29,234,418	\$ 189,919
Prior year tax collections	140,000	140,000	340,642	200,642
Tax interest and liens	100,000	100,000	198,157	98,157
Total property taxes	29,284,499	29,284,499	29,773,217	488,718
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES				
State miscellaneous	1,400	1,400	-	(1,400)
Town aid road - paved	122,660	122,660	122,506	(1,100) (154)
Town aid road - unpaved	7,500	7,500	7,908	408
Equalized cost-sharing	3,348,790	3,348,790	3,340,608	(8,182)
Transportation	44,647	44,647	45,780	1,133
Special education excess cost	++,0+7	7+0,77	+5,700	1,155
Municipal Revenue Sharing	-	-	78,784	78,784
Mashantucket Pequot grant	21,474	21,474	23,448	1,974
	4,500	304,583	301,364	
FEMA grant proceeds				(3,219)
School construction bond - principal	178,509	178,509	178,510	1
School construction bond - interest	6,841	6,841	6,841	-
State of CT DEP - Open Space	-	-	450,000	450,000
State PILOT - elderly freeze	2,000	2,000	-	(2,000)
State PILOT - elderly supplement	51,500	51,500	51,413	(87)
State PILOT - disabled	500	500	788	288
State PILOT - veterans	2,000	2,000	2,408	408
State PILOT - State property	30,500	30,500	30,513	13
State PILOT - manufacturing	-	-	6,344	6,344
Housing Authority	10,000	10,000	11,712	1,712
Total intergovernmental revenues	3,832,821	4,132,904	4,658,927	526,023
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Telecom tax	30,000	30,000	33,800	3,800
BOE tuition fees	124,893	124,893	151,849	26,956
Hunting and fishing licenses	120	120	112	(8)
Town clerk miscellaneous permits				
and licenses	7,700	7,700	10,903	3,203
Dog licenses	1,285	1,285	1,098	(187)
Fire Marshall permits and fire reports	500	500	1,038	538
Building licenses and permits	110,000	110,000	141,693	31,693
Land use licenses and permits	1,200	1,200	3,230	2,030
Zoning License & Fees	-	-	50	50
Zoning applications	3,500	3,500	4,723	1,223
Aquifer Protection applications	-	- ,	200	200
Planning applications	1,000	1,000	475	(525)
ZBA appeal fee	900	900	800	(100)
Inland wetlands	1,700	1,700	2,250	550
Newsletter advertising	6,000	6,000	6,230	230
BOE facilities rental	16,000	16,000	763	(15,237)
BOE miscellaneous revenue	10,000	10,000	20,566	20,566
Town clerk conveyance tax	180,000	180,000	168,609	(11,391)
	10,000	10,000	11,410	1,410
Tax and town clerk printing services Transfer station	250,000	250,000	230,718	(19,282)
	250,000	250,000	230,718	(19,282) 25
Assessor printing and duplicating services	230 500			
Bad check fees		500	280	(220)
Police printing and duplicating services	900	900	881	(19)
Private duty - administration	1,500	1,500	14,068	12,568
Police gun permits	500	500	3,850	3,350
Police raffle tickets	50	50	95	45

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (*Concluded*) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	_	Budgeted	Amo	unts			ariance With `inal Budget
		Original		Final	Actual	0	ver (Under)
CHARGES FOR SERVICES (Continued)							
Alarm registration fees	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 50	\$	50
Vendor permits		50		50	360		310
Traffic fines		1,800		1,800	3,284		1,484
Police Miscellaneous		-		-	806		806
Rental town property		3,600		3,600	4,295		695
AT&T tower		26,000		26,000	27,362		1,362
BOS miscellaneous revenue		1,000		1,000	12,412		11,412
C.R.R.A. transportation revenue		19,500		19,500	20,939		1,439
Scrap metal		-		-	15,524		15,524
Collect solid waste fee- Ord 223		2,000		2,000	2,000		-
Dial-a-Ride tickets		1,000		1,000	2,438		1,438
Swimming pool fees		30,000		30,000	31,332		1,332
Pool daily attendance fee		7,000		7,000	7,071		71
Building printing and duplicating services		_		_	40		40
Land use printing and duplicating services		600		600	300		(300)
Land use fines		-		-	150		150
Zoning comm regulations services		50		50	-		(50)
Planning comm regulation		25		25	-		(25)
Inland wetland agency regulation		20		20	-		(20)
Library printing and duplicating services		2,905		2,905	2,846		(59)
Library income		13,110		13,110	14,597		1,487
Total charges for services		857,158		857,158	955,772		98,614
Total charges for services	. <u></u>	037,130		657,156	955,112		96,014
INVESTMENT INCOME		41,500		41,500	17,665		(23,835)
Total revenues		34,015,978		34,316,061	35,405,581		1,089,520
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES							
Operating transfers in		-		_	-		_
Appropriation of fund balance		_		201,007	_		(201,007)
Total other financing sources		-		201,007	 -		(201,007)
				_01,007			(_01,007)
Total revenues and other							
other financing sources	\$	34,015,978	\$	34,517,068	\$ 35,405,581	\$	888,513

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	Budget	ed Amounts		Variance With Final Budget
	Original Final		Actual	Over (Under)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Board of Selectmen	\$ 52,816	\$ 53,822	\$ 49,763	\$ (4,059)
Chief Administrator	¢ 308,316	¢ 33,022 320,579	¢ 19,703 301,500	(19,079)
Election	22,975	22,975	19,403	(13,572)
Probate court	3,614	3,614	1,792	(1,822)
Town counsel	127,000	101,761	58,405	(43,356)
Town clerk	124,589	127,404	115,982	(11,422)
Expenses, donations and contributions	51,200	51,200	104,235	53,035
Contingency	131,526	9,522	-	(9,522)
Information Technologies	48,245	48,245	40,204	(8,041)
Total general government	870,281	739,122	691,284	(47,838)
Total general government	070,201	759,122	091,204	(47,030)
FINANCE				
Board of Finance	105,350	105,350	39,202	(66,148)
Finance	204,797	212,749	212,492	(257)
Assessor	128,019	129,198	127,460	(1,738)
Tax collector	88,595	90,896	84,060	(6,836)
Board of Assessment Appeals	2,500	2,500	49	(2,451)
Total finance	529,261	540,693	463,263	(77,430)
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Police	1,740,561	1,801,300	1,745,916	(55,384)
Service incentive	34,015	34,015	31,215	(2,800)
Fire services	245,589	283,763	283,763	(2,800)
Fire Marshal	78,844	81,288	77,999	(3,289)
Emergency services	45,265	45,265	34,349	(10,916)
Total public safety	2,144,274	2,245,631	2,173,242	(72,389)
PUBLIC WORKS				
Town hall	277,452	283,362	246,926	(36,436)
Park department	87,520	88,740	85,010	(3,730)
General highway	886,464	1,144,521	998,950	(145,571)
Town garage	38,060	38,060	35,824	(2,236)
Transfer station	261,251	262,393	233,656	(28,737)
Utilities	191,000	191,569	191,569	-
Community center	119,650	126,625	97,609	(29,016)
Total public works	1,861,397	2,135,270	1,889,544	(245,726)
HUMAN SERVICES				
HUMAN SERVICES Health district	42,525	12 525	42,525	
		42,525		-
Farmington Valley VNA	24,425	24,425	24,425	-
Senior/Social services	127,062	129,099	127,555	(1,544) (21,706)
Park and recreation	213,639	218,583	196,877	(21,706)
Library	537,870	551,821	548,547	(3,274)
Total human services	945,521	966,453	939,929	(26,524)

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (*Concluded*) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

	Budgeted	l Amo	ounts			ariance With Final Budget
	Original		Final	Actual	0	over (Under)
INSURANCE	\$ 242,302	\$	268,142	\$ 264,194	\$	(3,948)
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT						
Building official	61,427		62,167	45,246		(16,921)
Town planner	225,882		232,916	228,923		(3,993)
Total planning and development	287,309		295,083	274,169		(20,914)
FRINGE BENEFITS	1,721,176		1,721,176	1,720,161		(1,015)
EDUCATION	22,618,066		22,620,264	22,613,260		(7,004)
DEBT SERVICE						
Principal	1,660,000		1,660,000	1,660,000		-
Interest	411,000		411,000	410,806		(194)
Total debt service	2,071,000		2,071,000	2,070,806		(194)
Total expenditures	33,290,587		33,602,834	33,099,852		(502,982)
OTHER FINANCING USES						
Transfers out:						
Emergency Services Fund	5,336		20,504	20,504		-
Animal Control Fund	22,300		22,300	22,300		-
Youth Services Bureau	4,400		4,400	4,400		-
Capital and Nonrecurring Fund	693,355		853,355	853,355		-
Total other financing uses	725,391		900,559	900,559		-
Total expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 34,015,978	\$	34,503,393	\$ 34,000,411	\$	(502,982)

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED, COLLECTED AND OUTSTANDING FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

Grand List		Balance ncollected	Current	Lawful (Corrections	Transfers To	Balance To Be	Collections	Interest and		Balance Uncollected	
Year	30)-Jun-11	Levy	Additions	Deductions	Suspense	Collected	Taxes	Lien Fees	Total	30-Jun-12	
1995	\$	26,903	\$-	\$-	\$ 26,903	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	
1996		27,432	-	-	-	-	27,432	-	17,797	17,797	27,432	
1997		28,354	-	-	-	-	28,354	-	-	-	28,354	
1998		28,958	-	43	-	-	29,001	-	-	-	29,001	
1999		17,467	-	-	-	-	17,467	-	-	-	17,467	
2000		18,039	-	-	-	-	18,039	-	-	-	18,039	
2001		18,634	-	-	-	-	18,634	-	-	-	18,634	
2002		19,644	-	-	-	-	19,644	-	-	-	19,644	
2003		22,753	-	-	-	-	22,753	1,128	70	1,198	21,625	
2004		24,010	-	-	-	-	24,010	2,397	2,658	5,055	21,613	
2005		30,932	-	-	-	-	30,932	2,341	4,694	7,035	28,591	
2006		53,779	-	1,484	694	5,551	49,018	13,989	8,978	22,967	35,029	
2007		94,129	-	733	786	8,185	85,891	33,849	20,373	54,222	52,042	
2008		216,124	-	562	710	5,251	210,725	98,832	28,456	127,288	111,893	
2009		356,388	-	202	4,004	6,424	346,162	163,146	42,315	205,461	183,016	
Suspense Collections	_		-	-	-	-	-	10,789	9,850	20,639	-	
Total prior years		983,546	-	3,024	33,097	25,411	928,062	326,471	135,191	461,662	612,380	
2010	_		29,535,976	36,651	43,672	7,861	29,521,094	29,211,703	65,919	29,277,622	309,391	
Total	\$	983,546	\$ 29,535,976	\$ 39,675	\$ 76,769	\$ 33,272	\$ 30,449,156	\$ 29,538,174	\$ 201,110	\$ 29,739,284	\$ 921,771	

TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT SCHEDULE OF SEWER USAGE COLLECTIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

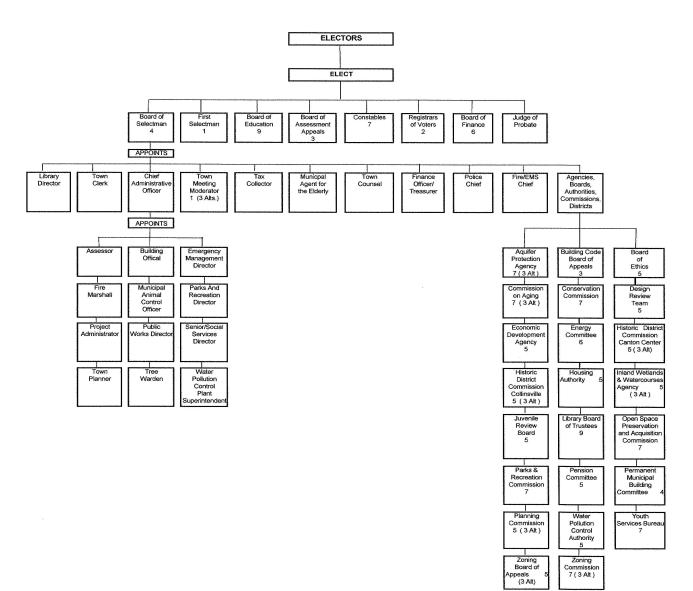
Year	Uncollected											
Ended	Charges	Lawful (Corrections				Use					ENDING
June 30,	July 1, 2011	Additions	Deductions	REFUNDS	SUSPENSE	TRANSFERS	Collectable	USE FEE	INTEREST	FEES	TOTAL	BALANCE
2012	\$ 859,761.94	\$ 1,944.45	\$ 12,340.24	\$ 1,958.56		\$ 1,425.48	\$ 849,899.23	\$ 801,748.95	\$ 6,609.30	\$ -	\$ 808,358.25	\$ 48,150.28
2011	\$ 35,647.31	\$ -	\$ 570.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,317.15)	\$ 36,394.46	\$ 19,691.56	\$ 3,383.89	\$ 862.83	\$ 23,938.28	\$ 16,702.90
2010	\$ 12,608.80	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,608.80	\$ 4,212.67	\$ 1,207.51	\$ 336.00	\$ 5,756.18	\$ 8,396.13
2009	\$ 5,899.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,899.42	\$ 1,820.91	\$ 1,512.79	\$ 120.00	\$ 3,453.70	\$ 4,078.51
2008	\$ 2,673.34	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,673.34	\$ 1,533.34	\$ 740.34	\$ 96.00	\$ 2,369.68	\$ 1,140.00
2007	\$ 384.95	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 384.95	\$ 1.35	\$ 2.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 27.35	\$ 383.60
	\$ 916,975.76	\$ 1,944.45	\$ 12,910.24	\$ 1,958.56		\$ 108.33		\$ 829,008.78	\$ 13,455.83	\$ 1,438.83		\$ 78,851.42
	STARTING											ENDING
Assessments	BALANCE	PLUS	MINUS				Collectable	ASMT PAID	INTEREST	FEES	TOTAL	BALANCE
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ 850.00	\$ -	\$ 850.00	\$ -
Connection	Starting					~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~		Connection	• • •	F	T ()	ENDING
Fees	Balance	C/C PLUS	C/C MINUS	REFUNDS	SUSPENSE	TRANSFERS	Collectable	Fee Pd	Interest	Fees	Total	BALANCE
		\$ 85,575.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 85,575.00	\$ 85,575.00	\$ -		\$ 85,575.00	\$ -

ORGANIZATIONAL



REPORT

TOWN OF CANTON ORGANIZATIONAL CHART





ASSESSORS OFFICE

The Assessors Office is responsible for the preparation of the Towns annual Grand List, which this year exceeded 1.1 billion dollars. The Grand List is a complete listing of all properties in town, its ownership and assessed value as of October 1st each year. This information is then used by the Board of Finance to help determine the mill rate and in preparing tax bills. The overall increase in this year's Grand List was \$9,823,734 or .87%.

The three categories that make up the Grand List are:

<u>Real Estate</u> increased \$3,469,730 to 1,010,643,980. An average home in Canton has a value of \$360,000. These new assessments along with a revised mill rate are used to determine property taxes for July 2012.

<u>Personal Property</u> increased \$1,744,400 to \$41,233,630. Items that make up personal property include business furniture, fixtures, office equipment, computers, leased equipment, industrial and construction equipment, utility poles, pipes, cables and conduits. Personal Property is assessed each year at 70% of its value.

<u>Motor Vehicles</u> increased \$4,618,604 to \$81,239,200. This change is attributed to an increase in sales of motor vehicles. Included in this figure are all motor vehicles registered and garaged in Canton as of October 1, and total 10,127 vehicles. The average value for a car garaged in Canton is \$13,265. Vehicles are assessed each year at 70% of market value as reported by the NADA Appraisal Guide.

Exempt Properties amounted to \$78,124,410. Included within this group were:

Town of Canton	\$54,358,642
State of Connecticut	\$ 4,728,780
Other	\$19,036,988

In preparation of the Grand List, tax maps are kept current. Extensive fieldwork is completed to update our records for ownership and building changes. This office is also responsible for the administration of the veterans, blind and disabled exemption programs plus State and Town Elderly/Disabled tax relief programs. This year a total of \$185,654 was granted to homeowners for tax relief.

2011 GRAND LIST			
Grand List	Exemptions		Net Grand List
\$1,133,116,810	\$2,024,720		\$1,131,092,090
PERCENTAGE OF GRAND LIST B	Y CLASS:	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Real Estate		89.7%	89.2%
Motor Vehicle		6.8%	7.2%
Personal Property		3.5%	3.6%

As always, we are ready to explain and review individual assessments with each property owner.

Harry DerAsadourian Assessor

AQUIFER PROTECTION AGENCY

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

During fiscal year 2011-2012, the APA held two (2) regular meetings, five (5) special meetings and processed two (2) registrations for permission to continue regulated business activities within the Aquifer Protection Area boundaries; one (1) revocation of permit and one (1) determination of status.

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

The APA operates with seven (7) regular members and three (3) alternates.

The APA holds regular quarterly meetings and special meeting on an as need basis on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:20 p.m. in the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, CT. All meetings are open to the public.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

As required by State law, the Board of Assessment Appeals held meetings during the month of March 2012 to hear appeals concerning the Grand List of October 1, 2011. Any property owner who felt the assessment of their property was inaccurate could appeal to the Board.

A total of two (2) appeals were heard. The result of these appeals lowered the Grand List by \$140,000.

Real Estate	1 Granted	1 Denied
Personal Property	0 Granted	0 Denied
Motor Vehicles	0 Granted	0 Denied

FINAL GRAND LIST AFTER THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS:

\$1,132,976,810

Exemptions \$ 2,024,720

Net \$1,130,952,090

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT MEMBERS

David P. Sinish Paul Volovski Carol York

Paul Volovski Chairman

BOARD OF ETHICS

Membership of the Board has been stable in this reporting period. A new alternate member was appointed by the Board of Selectmen in February 2011 to fill the position. At this time, there is an alternate position vacancy needing to be filled to complete the Board makeup of five regular members and two alternates.

The Board received three (3) letters of recusal from Canton officials removing themselves from the possibility of a conflict of interest concerning business decisions that their Commissions or Boards were considering. There was one request for an "Advisory Opinion" from a Canton town official which the Board responded to and rendered. In the reporting period of FY 2011-2012 no regular meetings were held however one special meeting was called regarding the previously mentioned advisory opinion in executive session.

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

David R. Kubas, Chairman Canton Board of Ethics

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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

The Building Official, performing the duties of the office on a part-time basis, conducted a total of 816 inspections. The Building Department will continue in its efforts to provide customer service and promote safety and general welfare in the construction environment while enforcing the building codes.

Type of Permit	No. of Permits	Value of Permits
Addition/Alteration	56	\$1,857,673
Deck	10	\$65,962
Demolition	2	\$23,000
Electrical	150	\$454,746
Garage/Shed	16	\$263,628
HVAC/Woodstove	221	\$898,040
Commercial	24	\$3,200,980
New Residential	6	\$1,997,000
Plumbing	67	\$271,270
Pool	8	\$184,065
Roofing/Siding	53	\$507,777
Foundation	2	\$30,500
Total	615	\$9,754,641

Building/Renovation Permit Statistics

Total Value of Permits and Permit Fees

[July-June 2011-2012		July-June 2010-2011	
	Value	Permit Fees	Value	Permit Fees
	\$9,754,641	\$151,216	\$8,288,890	\$119,896

CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Canton Chamber of Commerce represents and supports the Canton business community for the purpose of helping to ensure the business success of its members. The Chamber is a volunteer network of local business, professional and government leadership working together to advance the economic and civic development of the business community. Pooling the skills, talents and resources of each individual to drive and support continued business opportunity and community improvement, the Chamber is vital and growing. Membership has increased by nearly 35% to approximately 250 since 2003.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce fulfills its mission through the commitment and efforts of its volunteer leaders—its officers, directors, committee chairs and committee members— comprised of over 40 dedicated business people and professionals who endorse its goals and strive to make it a vital organization benefiting the wider community. This valuable volunteer service of the few not only benefits the entire membership, but also builds greater awareness of each business within its customer and client community.

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

The Canton Chamber's website, CantonChamberOfCommerce.com, is Canton's most comprehensive and complete directory of businesses, products and services. Shopping is simplified for area residents wishing to buy locally, strengthen Canton's economic vitality, provide jobs and lessen Town Budget reliance upon residential taxes—thereby enhancing the quality of life in our community. Unlike static and cumbersome telephone company classified directories, the Chamber website is a dynamic invaluable resource, constantly being updated to include new Chamber members and changes to current members' listings.

Visit the Chamber at CantonChamberOfCommerce.com, call the Executive Director or Office Manager at 860-693-0405, or visit the Chamber's centrally-located office: Canton Village, Building 1, 220 Albany Turnpike.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission functions under the authority of Town Ordinance 62. The primary functions of the Conservation Commission are to conduct research into the utilization of land areas of the municipality, prepare maps and publications, inventory natural resources and keeps an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such areas. It may from time to time recommend to the planning commission plans and programs for the development and use of such areas. It may make recommendations to zoning commissions, planning commissions, inland wetlands agencies and other municipal agencies on proposed land use changes and manage municipally-owned open space.

In 2011-2012, the Commission, in conjunction with the open space preservation and acquisition commission, and the Land Use Office, prepared a template of an Open Space management plan that will serve as a model for the preparation of management plans for all of the Town's open space lands. A goal of the Commission will be to begin preparing specific management plans for each of the Town's open space lands. Other goals include the completion of an open space and natural resources inventory that will be incorporated in the update of the town's Plan of Conservation and Development. The Town was also pre-qualified by the Department of Agriculture for the Community Farmland Preservation Program.

The Conservation Commission met seven (7) times in 2011-2012. It consists of seven members and meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, CT. In addition to its regular meetings, the Commission holds site-walks as needed. All meetings are open to the public.

DESIGN REVIEW TEAM

Officially appointed in 2006, the Design Review Team (DRT) meets at regularly scheduled meetings to review site development applications submitted or proposed to be submitted to the Zoning process. The Canton DRT works to positively impact the future development of the community from a perspective of aesthetics and design considerations. Many recommendations are made through the DRT review process to enhance and/ or preserve the character of the town.

The DRT functions to assist businesses with the design aspects of the zoning approval process in advance of the public hearing, with the intent of saving applicants time and money. Design Review provides a mechanism for designs to be developed with Town input prior to the submission of a final site design by an applicant. The early review of building and site design is strongly encouraged to occur prior to the filing of an application before much design money has been spent. The DRT collaborates with applicants using the standards and guidance represented in Section 69 of the Canton Zoning Regulations.

The Design Review Team held three (3) regular and five (5) special meetings and processed eight (8) applications for review of buildings, and site plans.

The DRT consists of five (5) members who meet monthly on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 5:30 PM at the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue. The members include an architect, a landscape architect, and two members who have education, training or experience in a design oriented field. The Land Use Office provides technical and professional support services to the DRT. The public is invited to attend all meetings of the DRT.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

The mission of Canton's Economic Development Agency (EDA) is to foster and support economic development, provide educational resources to business enterprises, and to stimulate Canton's economic vitality while enhancing its essential character. The purpose of Canton's EDA is to:

- Conduct research into the economic conditions and trends within the agency's municipality.
- Make recommendations based on research for the improvement of economic conditions and foster optimum development strategies within the agency's municipality.
- Coordinate economic activities of and cooperate with unofficial bodies organized to promote economic development and sponsor, fund, and support activities to further this purpose.

The EDA is a volunteer agency appointed by the Board of Selectmen to assist in planning for the economic well-being of the Town.

The EDA held 4 regular and 4 special meeting during this fiscal year. During this time the EDA:

- analyzed the State of the Town, identified priorities, and presented recommendations to the Board of Selectmen;
- participated in the update of the Town Plan of Conservation and Development;
- pursued interest in and initiated membership with the Connecticut Main Street Program;
- began implementing a "concierge" service for parties interested in bringing business to the town;
- provided assistance to dozens of new and existing businesses, both small and large;
- mapped the land use process;
- encouraged the improvement and regular maintenance of town properties and amenities; and
- worked towards improving cooperative efforts between town boards and business.

The EDA is comprised of 5 regular members and 2 alternate members appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday

FARMINGTON RIVER COORDINATING COMMITTEE

In August 1994, Congress added 14 miles of the Farmington River's west branch to the *National Wild and Scenic Rivers System*. This exciting milestone in the river's history recognizes the Farmington's beauty and character and ensures that it will be enjoyed by generations to come.

In addition to granting the Wild and Scenic designation, Congress established the Farmington River Coordinating (FRCC) to protect the 14 mile segment of the Farmington River's West Branch through the implementation of the Upper Farmington River Management Plan. The Committee is comprised of representatives from the five riverfront towns, state of Connecticut, MDC, NPS, FRWA, and FRAA. As a riverfront town, Canton has a representative position on the committee and an alternate, both appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The representative position is vacant as Bill Roberts left the committee in July 2012, having served several years. The monthly meetings of the FRCC are typically held at the Committee's office at <u>Squire's Tavern</u>; just inside Peoples State Forest in Pleasant Valley.

FRCC's mission is to promote long-term protection of the Upper Farmington River by:

- Bringing interested parties together on a regular basis;
- Stimulating cooperation and coordination among the parties;
- *Providing a forum to discuss and resolve issues; and,*
- Coordinating implementation of the Upper Farmington River Management Plan.

Each year, the FRCC receives funding from Congress to fulfill its mandate. As part of its effort to support local endeavors, build awareness, and enhance protection of the Upper Farmington Wild & Scenic River, the FRCC offers grants, scholarships, and land protection assistance for applicable projects. Examples of grants from FRCC in Canton were the Roaring Brook Nature Center for the Farmington River Exhibit and the Canton Land Trust for watershed trail signage. FRCC also conducted a project to identify vernal pools in Canton. One of the 2 scholarships awarded in June 2012 was a Canton resident, Peter LeDuc.

The Upper Farmington River Management Plan can be accessed at the FRCC website <u>www.FarmingtonRiver.org</u>. The website also has information on funding opportunities, current projects, reports and other aspects of the Farmington River. FRCC has a Facebook page and distributes an electronic newsletter.

FARMINGTON VALLEY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

In a health care environment in which mergers, acquisitions and agency closures are continuing with unprecedented frequency, the Farmington Valley VNA remains steadfast to its original mission as a local, independent and nonprofit Visiting Nurse Association. Unfortunately, many of the traditional VNAs in Connecticut and throughout the country are unable to remain viable due to growing financial pressures and have ceased to exist. With the uncertainty of the effects of health care reform, health care providers of all types are nervously attempting to predict the future and position themselves in preparation for health care delivery models that are still developing. Competition among health care providers, including home health agencies, is fierce. Large national chains, profit making health systems and hospital owned home health agencies are aggressively entering the Farmington Valley, creating significant challenges for our Agency and confusion among our residents.

Since its inception in 1908, the Farmington Valley VNA's mission has remained intact and unwavering. Care is provided to any individual or family, regardless of ability to pay or other hardship. Often, our Agency is contacted to provide services when no other home health agency is willing or available to do so. With financial resources shrinking, very few organizations other than the VNA are willing to accept patients with chronic, complicated and costly health conditions. Despite these issues, our special organization is continuously evaluating and working to further improve its quality and scope of services, responsiveness to community needs and cost efficiency. Canton residents can be assured that their needs remain a genuine priority and that donations and other funds are utilized locally for delivery of essential services and programs.

So many people have been positively touched in some way by our organization. Preschool vision and hearing testing, blood pressure screenings, flu immunizations, in-home health services following surgery, illness or injury, educational programs at locations throughout the community, and compassionate Hospice services when caring for a terminally ill loved one in the home ~ these are just a few examples of the way the Farmington Valley VNA has benefited local residents of all ages.

Services available to Canton residents include:

- * Skilled Nursing
- * Home Health Aide Services
- * Physical Therapy* Occupational Therapy
- * Private Duty Aide Services* Companion and Homemaker Services
- * Remote patient monitoring
- * Intravenous Therapy
- * Speech Therapy
- * Nutritional Counseling * Medical Social Services

A variety of specialized services are also provided including complex wound care management and digital photography for more accurate and timely treatment, prothrombin time testing, pulse oximetry, cardiac nursing, early rehabilitation programs after total joint replacements, diabetes education and management, and contemporary remote telemonitoring of patients' cardiac and respiratory status.

The Farmington Valley VNA Hospice Program has grown dramatically over the past year and offers caring support to individuals and families who are dealing with a life limiting illness. Our skilled and caring staff have made a positive difference in the quality of many patients' lives and in the lives of their loved ones through this special program.

FARMINGTON VALLEY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Many of our own friends and neighbors have been helped. Hospice services are provided in the patient's place of residence including their home, skilled nursing facility or assisted living community. Hospice as a care concept is growing due to greater acceptance of Hospice care intervention with non-cancer diagnoses such as Alzheimer's Disease, and end stage cardiac and respiratory conditions. The Farmington Valley VNA's Hospice Program is Medicare certified and State licensed, and also accepts patients covered by the Hospice Medicaid Benefit.

As a fundamental part of its mission and history, the Agency continues to maintain a Community Programs Department, based in Granby, dedicated to planning, coordinating and providing programs with a focus on illness prevention, health promotion and education. This department makes our organization very unique in that most home health care providers have eliminated virtually all illness prevention services due to lack of funding and changes in programmatic priorities. Over 2700 Canton residents benefited from one or more community wellness programs last year. Of particular note is the Agency's operation of the Granby Food Bank which is located on the lower level of the Granby office. Despite indications that the economy may be improving, the Food Bank assisted a greater number of families and distributed more food than last year. 1140 individuals visited the Food Bank and 2141 bags of groceries were distributed, compared to 1103 individuals and 2093 bags of groceries for the same period last year. The Food Bank relies exclusively on donations of food, money and volunteer time in order to operate. The Farmington Valley VNA remains as one of the rare health organizations that still operates a food bank as a community program and the continuation of this vital resource speaks to the steadfast commitment of the Agency to its historical and charitable mission.

In October 2011, our organization was very pleased to purchase the building at 248 Salmon Brook Street in Granby, a location the Agency had rented for nearly thirty years from the Town of Granby. The 'Keep Us At Home' Capital Campaign was initiated in May 2011 to help raise necessary funds and thanks to the generosity of Canton residents, businesses, and service groups, our \$350,000 campaign goal was reached in June 2012. Integral to this success were the grants received from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, the John G. Martin Foundation, the Granby Community Fund and Windsor Federal Savings Bank. This purchase has secured the Agency's long-term presence in two physical locations within the Farmington Valley and will allow essential services and programs to continue and expand in the future. As part of this project, building improvements are underway and will continue into the Fall.

Storm Alfred affected Canton and the surrounding communities in a manner that will be remembered for many years. Even with their own challenges during that emergency, VNA management and staff tirelessly provided many hours of health care services and support to the many residents who needed care in their homes and within the local shelters. Despite the number of other home health care providers that find Canton a favorable place to do business, the Farmington Valley VNA was one of the few home health agencies that came forth and demonstrated their genuine commitment to the Canton community. The collaborative effort with Canton town officials and social services staff was remarkable and we were honored to have made a difference during that incredibly difficult time.

FARMINGTON VALLEY VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Despite the growing complexities of retaining its independence and local presence, the Farmington Valley VNA is very pleased to be an integral and vital part of Canton's community, and remains committed to improving the quality of life of our residents and families.

For additional information about the Farmington Valley VNA and its programs, please call 860-651-3539 or visit <u>www.farmingtonvalleyvna.org</u>

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department has the responsibility of administering the Town's finances and accounting for all Town funds, except those of the Board of Education. Detailed statements of this accounting appear in the Town's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which is on file in the Town Clerk's Office. The Finance Officer prepares monthly reports for the Board of Selectman and the Board of Finance. In addition, the medical self insurance account is reviewed and reconciled and the Town budget is developed and administered with the Chief Administrative Officer. The finance office handles the daily Treasury operations and manages cash and debt obligations.

The Finance Department processes accounts payable weekly and payroll bi-weekly. In 2011-12 the department accounted for 6,194 separate expenditures, 1,014 deposits, 3,134 journal entries and payroll, benefit and tax records for 222 employees during the year.

The Town of Canton received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for fiscal year 2010-11 from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for the 12th consecutive year.

TOWN FINANCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-12

The Town's adopted General Fund budget for 2011-12 totaled \$34,015,978.

The mil rate was 26.28.

The Town's credit rating is Aa2.

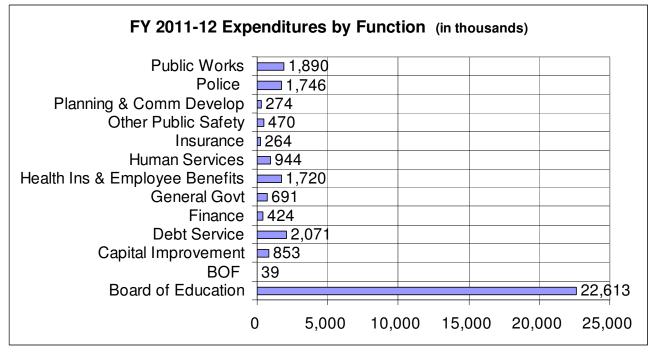
The Town achieved a collection rate of 98.80% on the current levy.

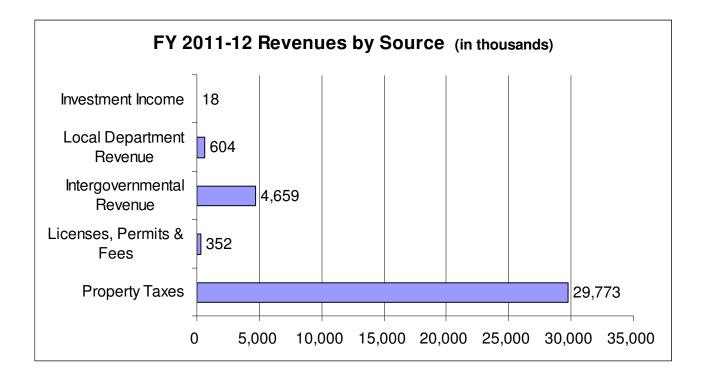
The Town's long term liabilities at June 30, 2012 totaled \$12,657,417.

The Town's actual expenditures were \$34,000,411 and actual revenues totaled \$35,405,581.

The comparative actual information, by function and funding source for the fiscal year is presented here. A detailed statement of the Town's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available on the web at <u>www.townofcantonct.org</u>.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT





FINANCE DEPARTMENT

BONDS OUTSTANDING AS OF JUNE 30, 2012 (in thousands)

Use of Proceeds	Maturity Date	Outstanding <u>Amount</u>
Cherry Brook School	10/15/12	\$ 256*
CHS & CIS	10/15/24	\$ 3,295
CHS & CIS	05/01/23	\$ 7,232
Library	08/01/14	\$ 444

Total Outstanding Bonds <u>\$11,227</u>

* Includes Principal and Interest to maturity net of State Reimbursement

Amy O'Toole Finance Officer/Treasurer

FIRE MARSHAL / EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management is responsible for the following services to the community:

- Conduct fire and life safety code inspections in accordance with CT General Statute (CGS) §29-305 and the Connecticut Fire Safety Code.
- Investigate all fires within the Town of Canton in accordance with CGS §29-302.
- Plan review for new construction and existing building renovations/alterations
- Issue permits for open burning and blasting.
- Provide fire and life safety prevention education to the public and business owners
- Continued development of the town's Emergency Operations Plan
- Emergency preparedness and planning for the town's residents
- Oversight of the Emergency Operations Center

The following are highlights during FY 2011-2012:

- Several fire investigations, of which the following were of particular interest:
 - 1. 9 Gemstone Dr 07/01/11 (Full sized van and contents)
 - 2. 22-24 South St 03/02/12 (significant damage)
 - 3. Illegal fireworks incident with personal injury on 07/04/12
- Office of Emergency Management was busy with Tropical Storm Irene on August 28 and the October 29-30 snow storm. Both storms left power outages throughout town, with 100% outage at one point during the October storm.
- Conducted a presentation on the town's response to the October snow storm to residents during the annual town meeting.
- Held an informational session for residents interested in joining a Community Emergency Response Team.

The following are future goals for the Office:

- Receive "Storm Ready" designation for the Town by the National Weather Service.
- Create and train the new Community Emergency Response Team.
- Develop new townwide fire prevention programs.
- Receive permission and apply for grants for fire prevention.

FIRE SERVICES AND EMS SERVICES

This past year will be known in the Fire and EMS service as the year of the storms. Our department responded to an unprecedented number of calls for aid under the most difficult conditions in recent history.

No one can ever recall having a snowstorm in early October that virtually shut down the state and isolated our town from outside services for days. Given all the difficult parameters that our members faced, their dedication and professionalism shined through those dark times.

Members left jobs and families behind and in the dark to help serve the greater good of the town. The members in that week responded to over 500 request for aid and assistances. Our EMS service responded to as many calls for aid to people who had medical issues and needed help with a variety of issues.

Our services are all volunteer. That means when you are in need of help these members leave their jobs and families to come to your aid. During these storms and weather events that affected our town for weeks on end, the members of this department never questioned the needs of the citizens. They performed and responded to these request for aid and help all the while leaving their own homes and families to care for themselves.

This past year showed how well trained and dedicated to the Fire and EMS service our members are. Most worked long shifts and for days on end making sure our citizens were as safe as possible.

I would like to take this chance to thank all the families of our members who accept the fact that their loved one has to leave them in a time of need to serve the community. I also would like to thank all of our members for providing the great level of service during the worst of times this community has seen in recent history.

Hopefully we will not be faced with the challenges of this past year going forward into the New Year. But if we are, rest assured your volunteers of the Fire and EMS department will do their best to make you and your loved ones as safe and secure as possible.

Respectfully Submitted Chief of Fire and EMS Richard F. Hutchings, MPA, RN, EMT-P

FIRE SERVICES AND EMS SERVICES

Canton Fire Department

Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {07/01/2010} And {06/30/2011}

		Pct of	Total	Pct of
Incident Type	Count	Incidents	Est Loss	Losses
	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00%
	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00%
l Fire				
111 Building fire	8	0.71%	\$723,579	99.339
113 Cooking fire, confined to container	11	0.98%	\$0	0.00
114 Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney	3	0.26%	\$0	0.00
116 Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire	3	0.26%	\$0	0.00
142 Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00
154 Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
162 Outside equipment fire	1	0.08%	\$4,876	0.66%
	29	2.59%	\$728,455	100.009
3 Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident				
321 EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with	716	64.15%	\$0	0.00
322 Motor vehicle accident with injuries	38	3.40%	\$0	0.00
324 Motor Vehicle Accident with no injuries	33	2.95%	\$0	0.00
341 Search for person on land	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
342 Search for person in water	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00
352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	7	0.62%	\$0	0.00
353 Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator	3	0.26%	\$0	0.00
	800	71.68%	\$0	0.00
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)				
411 Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	4	0.35%	\$0	0.00
412 Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	5	0.44%	\$0	0.00
413 Oil or other combustible liquid spill	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00
421 Chemical hazard (no spill or leak)	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
422 Chemical spill or leak	1	0.088	\$0	0.00
424 Carbon monoxide incident	10	0.89%	\$0	0.00
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, Other	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
442 Overheated motor	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
443 Breakdown of light ballast	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
444 Power line down	17	1.52%	\$0	0.00
445 Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00
461 Building or structure weakened or collapsed	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00
	46	4.12%	\$0	0.00
5 Service Call				

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Canton Fire Department

Incident Type Report (Summary)

Alarm Date Between {07/01/2010} And {06/30/2011}

		Pct of	Total	Pct of
Incident Type	Count	Incidents	Est Loss	Losses
5 Service Call				
521 Water evacuation	20	1.79%	\$0	0.00%
522 Water or steam leak	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00%
531 Smoke or odor removal	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00%
541 Animal problem	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00%
553 Public service	7	0.62%	\$0	0.00%
561 Unauthorized burning	3	0.26%	\$0	0.00%
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	4	0.35%	\$0	0.00%
	43	3.85%	\$0	0.00%
6 Good Intent Call				
611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	80	7.16%	\$0	0.008
622 No Incident found on arrival at dispatch	11	0.98%	\$0	0.00%
651 Smoke scare, odor of smoke	9	0.80%	\$0	0.00%
671 HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	6	0.53%	\$0	0.00%
	106	9.49%	\$0	0.00%
7 False Alarm & False Call				
714 Central station, malicious false alarm	2	0.17%	\$0	0.00%
734 Heat detector activation due to malfunction	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00%
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire -	8	0.71%	\$0	0.00%
745 Alarm system activation, no fire -	59	5.28%	\$0	0.00%
746 Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	20	1.79%	\$0	0.00%
	90	8.06%	\$0	0.00%
8 Severe Weather & Natural Disaster				
814 Lightning strike (no fire)	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00%
	1	0.08%	\$0	0.00%

Total Incident Count: 1116

Total Est Loss: \$728,455

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FIRST SELECTMAN AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The 2011/2012 fiscal year dealt with numerous significant events, ranging from addressing damage resulting from major storms to planning for the town's financial future. No one will soon forget the impact of tropical storm Irene and winter storm Alfred or the continued impacts from the slow economic recovery.

The 2011/2012 budget which took effect on July 1, 2011 was the first budget to fund the Pavement Management Plan. The plan was adopted after a study indicated the town's roads were showing neglect after years of underfunded maintenance. The 2011 budget increased the amount budgeted to \$400,000. In October 2011, a town meeting approved transferring an additional \$160,000 from the undesignated fund balance to the pavement management program. The additional funds have allowed the town to increase the amount of roads being improved and utilize better methods for road treatments.

In 2011 the Capital Projects Study Group, made up of town staff and members of the Board of Selectmen and Board of Education, continued to meet to prioritize the capital needs of the town and review methods of funding those needs. It quickly became clear that there were more projects than available funding through the annual budgets. The group rendered a report in February 2012 that recommend the town bond \$17,938,250 to fund the pavement management program, replace part or all of four municipal roofs, relocation of the highway garage and the construction of a track and synthetic surfaced multi-purpose field at the high school. The proposals were eventually approved by the Board of Selectmen, Board of Education and the Board of Finance. The report also recommended refinancing the existing debt which had the potential to save \$1,000,000.

In the summer and fall of 2011, the Board of Selectmen recognized that too many calls for ambulance service were being responded by mutual aid because there were no volunteers on duty to respond to the call. The Board voted to create the Temporary Emergency Medical Services Committee to review what steps the Fire/EMS Department could take to address the current and future needs of the department. The Committee is scheduled to render a report in the fall of 2012.

In December of 2011, the Board of Selectmen completed a four year process of codifying the town's ordinances. The process involved reviewing all the ordinances and indexing them in a format that made them easier to locate and review. The final ordinances were approved by the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing. The ordinances are now located on the town's web page.

In March of 2012 the Board of Selectmen presented a budget to the Board of Finance that represented a 2.8% increase in spending. The primary reason for the increase in expenditures was an increase in medical and pension benefits for town employees along with a continuing commitment to address the town's infrastructure needs such as pavement management. Over the past several years the Board of Selectmen has recognized the difficult times and has strived to keep expenditures low.

FIRST SELECTMAN AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The Board of Selectmen has taken two steps to help define Canton's future. First, the town has continued the public process which will lead to the updating in 2013 of the Town Plan of Conservation and Development as mandated by state law. Recognizing the importance of fostering grand list growth the Board has encouraged the Economic Development Agency to actively pursue opportunities to expand the town non-residential tax base and develop a Main Street Program for the Collinsville area. It is anticipated these efforts will show benefits in the coming years.

Weather events in the fall of 2011 had a significant impact on both town government and the citizens of Canton. The moderate wind and flooding damage caused in September 2011 by tropical storm Irene were just a precursor to the tree damage and resulting loss of power that occurred in October 2011 by winter storm Alfred. The town's agencies, volunteer groups and residents pulled together to meet the needs of the town. The town shelter was open for a week and on one evening alone had over 160 people sleeping over. Hundreds of individuals stopped by daily to have a warm meal and recharge their batteries, both literally and figuratively.

The town's cleanup effort was no less impressive. The town was able to clear the tree debris utilizing mostly existing staff saving the town a significant amount of money as compared to other nearby towns. The town even utilized low risk inmates as laborers to help with the cleanup. Although the town does not have any control over how long it took to get the power restored, the opening of roads and cleanup went well considering the circumstances. An after action review committee was established to review the town's response and make recommendations for addressing future storms.

As the town's response to the storms of 2011 indicate, the whole community will be ready to come together to tackle whatever events may come in the future.

INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY

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

During fiscal year 2011-2012, the IWWA held 10 regular meetings, two (2) site walks, and three (3) special meetings. They processed 13 applications, held three (3) public hearings, one (1) Cease & Correct Order and one (1) Map Amendment. The IWWA has an Authorized Agent who is allowed to permit minor activities in upland review areas but not within wetlands or watercourses themselves. The Authorized Agent reports to the Agency all permits issued under its authority at regular meetings and also acts as the IWWA's enforcement officer. The wetlands agent issued 15 authorized agent approvals under this authority during the fiscal year.

The IWWA also updated its application fees and updated the wetlands regulations to include recent amendments passed by the legislature and to make them consistent with the State's model regulations.

The IWWA operates with five (5) regular members and three (3) alternates. The IWWA holds its regular meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton, CT. In addition to its regular meetings, the Commission holds special meetings/site-walks as needed. All meetings are open to the public.

LAND USE OFFICE

Description of Department Functions and Services:

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

Commission Achievements:

The Land Use Commissions processed a total of 56 applications and or referrals as follows: Zoning Board of Appeals (10); Zoning Commission (38); Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Agency (15); Planning Commission (22); Aquifer Protection Agency (4) and Design Review Team (8).

Also this year the Assistant Planner/ Zoning & Wetlands Enforcement Officer continued the process of competently and consistently enforcing regulatory approvals of Land Use Commissions as well as overseeing general compliance with the regulations. During this past year, the position has: overseen 311 compliance inspections; issued 177 permits (26 signs, 3 home occupations, 12 IWWA Authorizations, 4 liquor, and 133 Certificates of Zoning Compliance); issued 16 notices of violations; issued 2 cease and desist orders and, resolved 7 Zoning and Wetlands related issues without issuing a notice of violation.

The Zoning Commission also continues to work on the comprehensive update to the Zoning Regulations.

LAND USE OFFICE

Major Objectives:

- * Serve all residents of the Town of Canton as efficiently and cost effectively as possible ongoing;
- Increase the level of service provided not only to the general public but to the Land Use Commissions and regulatory process - ongoing;
- * Deliver an update to the Zoning Regulations in progress;
- * Review Subdivision and Wetlands Regulations for necessary updates Wetlands done, Subdivision in progress;
- * Develop electronic mapping capabilities for use by all town agency's in progress;
- * Develop a Zoning Map reflective of the new regulations, in an electronic format that can be easily modified and made available to the public in progress;
- * Continue the updating of all standard forms and procedures for the remaining land use commissions in progress;
- * Form and work with a Temporary Study Committee to review and update the 10 year Plan of Conservation and Development; in progress
- * Provide the framework and guidance necessary for the growth of the town (including residential and non-residential development), while balancing the need to conserve and preserve significant cultural and natural resources of the town ongoing;
- * Update the Aquifer Protection Program by increasing staff training, conducting a registered facility visitation program, perform compliance monitoring of registered facilities, identify non-registered facilities, and ensure BMPs are prescribed and followed ongoing.

CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The mission of the Canton Public Library is to be a community information center that employs trained staff and offers a variety of collections, services, programs, and equipment to which Canton residents of all ages can turn for support of lifelong reading, learning, and personal enrichment.

The Canton Public Library, founded in 1913 and housed in its current Dyer Avenue Library/Community Center facility since 1999, is open 54 hours per week during much of the year. In July and August, we operate 51 hours per week because our summer Saturdays are half-days. Later, from November to March, we are open 58 hours per week, including Sunday afternoons. Between July 2011 and June 2012, we welcomed 115,875 visitors to the library.

During FY 2011-12, our staff made 178,329 loans of collection materials to library cardholders. This included 2,016 loans of downloadable items, a category skyrocketing in popularity. The staff placed 13,858 holds on collection items out in circulation when requested. Throughout the year, we issued 632 new library cards and renewed 766 expired cards, thereby giving us a total of 4,241 registered borrowers on June 30, 2012.

The staff at our 3 public service desks (Information, Circulation, and Children's Room) received 22,100 requests for assistance in finding information and/or resources. They also offered many hours of computer instruction to those in need. Through the interlibrary loan system, we borrowed 4,857 items for Canton residents with information needs for which no resources were available in-house, and we loaned 4,724 items of ours to other libraries for use by their patrons.

Three hundred ninety-one (391) programs were planned and presented for the information and entertainment of Canton's adults, teens, and children. These included our popular story times (5 per week), our summer reading clubs for all ages, 2 book discussion groups for adults, another winter musical concert series, appearances by musicians and puppeteers and other live performers, and presentations on special subjects like our popular *Tech Topics for Seniors* series and classes on how to download audiobooks and ebooks. Attendance at library programs totaled 9,689.

Between July 2011 and June 2012, our cataloging staff added 8,255 new barcoded items and withdrew 6,880 items due to poor condition or outdated contents. On June 30, 2012, the library collection numbered 85,073 cataloged items for adults, teens, and children. These included books, magazines, books on compact disc, DVDs, blu-ray discs, music CDs, MP3-geared "playaways", museum passes, downloadable audiobooks and ebooks (available through membership in our consortium's Overdrive program), and Wii games.

Other library services included 101 staff deliveries of materials to homebound residents and 353 uses of our 2 quiet study rooms. Our reference staff proctored many professional and academic tests as a courtesy to Canton residents, although we have no count of these services.

Our 13 public-access computers connected patrons to the Internet, various Microsoft Office products, and our growing collection of electronic databases. Our public computers were used 23,315 times. Three (3) other computers offered access to our online catalog, and 1 enabled patrons to download audiobooks and ebooks while at the library. In the Children's Room, we provided 2 "early literacy game computers" for the little ones.

CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Wireless Internet access was available throughout the Library/Community Center for those who wanted to work on laptops.

Most of the library's databases, its catalog, and many other services were accessible online from home, school, or office by visiting our website at <u>www.cantonpubliclibrary.org</u>. Our website was visited 45,602 times during FY 2011-12.

Because the Library/Community Center is Canton's emergency evacuation shelter, we remained open throughout the difficult week following the disastrous snowstorm of October 29, 2011. Working with our colleagues in the Senior & Social Services Office and the Parks & Recreation Department, we were happy to offer Canton residents a warm and lighted place to stay -- a site where they could read, study, meet and greet, watch movies, and recharge electronic devices at a time when the town was almost entirely without heat and electricity. It was a great pleasure for us to see so many people using the library and its resources during the storm's aftermath.

Also this year, we expanded our database, Wii game, and blu-ray disc collections; we installed digital photo frames for the public service desks to more effectively publicize our upcoming programs; we updated some of our public computer equipment; and we activated our mobile laptop lab funded by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. We used the town's quarterly newsletter *Canton Connections* to spread the good word about what the library has and does.

Our dedicated staff continued to maintain high standards of customer service and goodwill throughout the year. Some were leaders in statewide professional organizations, and several attended classes to sharpen their job skills. The members of the Library Board of Trustees continued to act responsibly by adopting operating policies, approving our annual budget request to the town, and advocating in the community on the library's behalf.

And what would we do without our wonderful Friends of the Library? During FY 2011-12, the Friends donated over \$15,000 to purchase print books and books on CD, 2 new information databases, and all of our museum passes, Wii games, and blu-ray discs. The group also paid for many of our public programs, bought our copyright license to show movies, paid for our table at Sam Collins Day, and began a new fundraiser: selling *I Love Canton Library* car magnets (a joint project with the Library Board). Friends members also are raising funds to reupholster or replace the sofas and chairs in the Children's Room worn out after 12 years of heavy use. We owe the Friends of the Library very sincere thanks for all their hard work and wonderful gifts!

The library was the fortunate recipient of many donations of money and collection items from individuals and groups during FY 2011-12. Some were memorials to relatives and friends, while others were gifts to deepen or broaden our collection. To every donor, we extend our very sincere thanks.

The library's trustees, staff, and Friends are proud of the role we play in making Canton a better community in which to live. Our business hours are Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during July and August), and Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. (November through March). How can we be of service to you?

Robert Simon, Library Director

OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION AND ACQUISITION COMMISSION

The Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Commission (OSPAC) functions under the authority of Chapter 158 of the Town Code. The primary functions of the OSPAC is to identify open space areas that meet the standards of Chapter 158, discuss potential purchases in fee simple or of development rights with the owner(s), analyze those open space areas as outlined in Chapter 158, and recommend the acquisition of such areas that are of significant quality and/or size and location for acquisition to the Board of Selectmen.

The Commission spends considerable time analyzing the appropriateness of various properties for preservation as open space and then discussing with land owners the benefits of donating or selling the land or its development rights to the Town or to a charitable organization for open space preservation purposes.

The OSPAC carries out its delegated authority through regular monthly meetings with assistance of the Land Use Office, the Conservation Commission and Board of Selectmen, public meetings as appropriate, and the publication of informational literature. The Assistant Planner provides direct staff support to the Commission at and between meetings.

During 2011-2012, the Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Commission held three (3) regular meetings and one (1) special meeting to discuss state grants, funding options, open space management plans, real estate, and referrals. In conjunction with the Conservation Commission and the Land Use Office, the Open Space Commission prepared a template of an Open Space management plan that will serve as a model for the preparation of management plans for all of the Town's open space lands. The group discussed merging the OSPAC with the Conservation Commission.

The Town of Canton received a grant of \$450,0000 from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) under the Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program to purchase land known as the Cannon Property.

A comprehensive inventory of existing land that has been set aside or preserved as open space in one form or another is being produced. This will be an important tool to assist the Commission as they evaluate additional opportunities to add valuable lands to this inventory. Additional opportunities to preserve land will also be pursued. As opportunities arise, the Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Commission will pursue, and when appropriate, recommend that the Town apply for grants and loans from private, state and federal groups and agencies to preserve open space.

The Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Commission is comprised of seven (7) members and meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Library Community Center. The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

CANTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is charged with providing comprehensive, high quality recreation and leisure activities for the Canton community. The recreation programs offered throughout the year span a variety of programs types that appeal to all ages of the community. Over 150 programs were offered during the year. The Parks and Recreation Department is also charged with oversight of the town park facilities and athletic fields.

The recreation programs offered year round through the park and recreation department cover a broad range of leisure and recreation based programming. Youth programs start at the toddler age group and run all the way through senior programs. The Canton Community Center is host of several of the programs, but all three schools are used for various programs throughout the year as well. The quarterly brochure, The Canton Connection, has served as the primary printed material to market the department's programs. In 2011, recreation based software was purchased for the department that has improved the efficiency of registrations, allowing residents to sign up online. It also is being used for the reservation system for the community center usage. The software ties into the new website, <u>www.cantonrec.org</u>, which is a comprehensive page of all park and recreation has to offer. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive about the site and has been instrumental in keeping the department connected with the community.

The Parks and Recreation Department strives to develop recreation and leisure programs that continue to enhance the town's well being through fitness, culture, and community events. Examples of toddler and pre-K programs include Music with Miss Jean, Acrofitness gymnastics, Art programs, mini sport camps and others. A majority of the programming is geared towards the 1st through 5th grade age group. Some of the biggest programs include spring T-Ball and fall Rec-Hoops basketball. Several programs are offered as after school programs for Cherrybrook Elementary and Canton Intermediate School. These programs include Mad Science Programs, Spanish Lessons, Tennis, Art, Youth Wrestling, and Vacation week programs and day camps. Teen programs focus primarily on health and wellness activities. Programs such as yoga, Tai Chi, Zumba, Volleyball and Basketball are among the most popular.

During the summer months, the department manages a variety of programs based out of Mills Pond Park, the town's primary recreation facility. Swim lesson instruction takes place everyday during the 10 weeks the pool is open and is a popular program for a variety of ages. Explorers Camp is the community day camp program based out of the park for ages 6-12. There was an average of 45 participants each week in the program. This was the third summer Canton offered a swim team program. The Dusky Dolphins Swim Team has grown from 70 participants in 2010 to 110 in 2012. In addition to year-round programming, Parks and Recreation also hosts several community events throughout the year. This year the annual tree lighting on the Town Green was changed to participate in the Christmas in Collinsville event. Other events included the annual egg hunt, summer concert series and breakfast with Santa. Due to storms in October 2011, Halloween was cancelled and Parks and Recreation organized a large Halloween event at Mills Pond Park attended by hundreds.

The Canton parks system is an important part of the town's infrastructure. Mills Pond Park is Canton's primary recreation facility. The 40 acre park hold the Mills Pond Pool, a 50 meter Olympic swimming pool and smaller wading pool and pool house. A engineering study was completed outlining recommendations for significant improvements to the pool facility and was presented to the Board of Selectmen in February 2012 for action. The park also has 2 pavilions used for functions, summer camp, and a variety of rental events. There is also a playscape, skate park, 2 full size basketball courts, 4 tennis courts, and a multi-use field that hosts a range of sporting activities including baseball, softball, football, soccer, lacrosse, and field hockey. In addition to Mills Pond Park, the Parks and Recreation department works with the Parks division of Public Works to ensure all park space is maintained, safe, and enjoyable.

CANTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Canton Town Green on Dowd Ave and Rt 44 serves as the staging ground for events such as the Lobster Loop 5K, the annual Tree Lighting, and various concerts and other community events. The Parks Department also maintains Canton's section of the Farmington River trail; also know as the Rail Trail. The Parks department also maintains Millennium Fields, Bowdoin Field, and all school fields. The Parks and Recreation Department offices are located in the Canton Community Center. The department is overseen by the Parks and Recreation Commission, which is responsible for policy development and oversight of the parks and programs. The department consists of a full time Director of Parks and Recreation/ Senior Services, a part-time Program Supervisor, and seasonal staff including an Aquatics Director, lifeguards, swim instructors, camp staff, and pool and maintenance staff. There is approximately 50 seasonal staff working over the summer months.

Canton Parks and Recreation strives to offer quality programs, parks, and leisure services for the entire community. We are open to new program ideas and are constantly looking to develop new programs as we run and improve existing ones. Many times all that is needed is someone who is interested in running a program, sport, or hobby to approach the department about putting together a new offering. Parks and recreation impacts virtually everyone in the community, from walking along the river walk to enrolling in tee-ball or a yoga program to picnicking in the park during a summer concert. The results of our work will hopefully benefit the quality of life for members of the community, visitors, neighbors, family and friends. Parks and Recreation: "*The benefits are endless!*"

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission is responsible for policy making to facilitate orderly growth and development in Canton through the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) and through review of and approval of subdivisions. By Town Ordinance and State Statute, the Planning Commission is the local agency that carries out the statutory provisions in Connecticut for the subdivision of land and the development and maintenance of the POCD in such a way as to: promote the health and welfare of citizens; protect land values; natural resources; water quality; and, avoid congestion, safety hazards, land erosion and overtaxing of the Town's public facilities.

To facilitate appropriate development and land use, the Planning Commission will monitor the 2003 POCD to determine if and when amendments to the Plan are necessary. Working with other land use commissions and the Land Use Office, the Planning Commission coordinates activities toward meeting the goals of the POCD through the development review and municipal improvement processes. Copies of the POCD are available for distribution and sale to citizens, developers and their representatives.

In 2011-2012 the Planning Commission held 15 regular/special/site walk meetings and processed one (1) subdivision application and 22 requests for referrals, lot line adjustments, extensions, bond reductions, road acceptance, tree clearing, easements and informal discussions.

The PC also discussed the Plan of Conservation and Development Update at each of their regular monthly meetings.

Goals for the coming year include the rewriting of the Subdivision Regulations to incorporate and update planning techniques and regulatory changes that may further improve the development process and reduce impacts on the natural environment and community. Additionally, the POCD is required to be updated every ten years. The Planning Commission is an integral part of a temporary study committee to review the current POCD and complete the required update by 2013.

The Planning Commission carries out its delegated authority through regular monthly meetings with the assistance of the Town Planner & Land Use Coordinator. The Planning Commission is comprised of five (5) regular members and three (3) alternate members. The Commission meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Library Community Center at 40 Dyer Avenue. All meetings are open to the public and the Commission invites input from those who come to show their interest in Canton's future.

CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

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

Based on events of Fiscal Year 2012, during the fiscal year, the Canton Police Department prepared for significant changes.

PERSONNEL:

- The current staffing of the Canton Police Department as of June 30, 2012 is: Chief of Police, Captain (to be filled), three patrol Sergeants, one Detective, six Patrol Officers, four fulltime Dispatchers, four part-time Dispatchers, and an Administrative Secretary.
- This fiscal year the Canton Police underwent an organizational change regarding the changing of the Deputy Chief position with a Captain position. Canton Police added two (2) new police officers (one in the academy) and one (1) dispatcher.
- Three of the most senior employees in their respective positions retired from the Canton Police Department. Long time Canton Police Department employees-Deputy Chief Donald Hull and Sergeant Kevin Witkos retired from town service as sworn officers. Dispatcher Nicky Brown resigned as a police dispatcher.
- Officer Matthew Keepin was selected to join the Specialized Emergency Services Unit for the North Central Region.

ADMINISTRATIVE HIGHLIGHTS:

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

- Canton, Simsbury and Avon continued their collaboration on a joint 'Regional Dispatch' study.
- Chief Arciero assumed the lead role as the chief administrative oversight to the nine (9) North Central Municipal Police Department's Accident Reconstruction team.
- Enhanced the existing Canton Police Department Website to provide dynamic, comprehensive and ever changing updates to current issues impacting public safety for the town of Canton and its residents.
- Published the final version of the 28 program Canton Community Policing Handbook.
- Partnered with Avon Police Department, Miller Foods and Mitchell Auto to successfully complete the extended project for the 'Waggin for Wheels' (campaign to raise funds to purchase the new Canton/Avon Animal Control Vehicle).
- Development of "Checklist" procedure for major case investigations.
- Participated in 'Code Red' emergency response drills at all Canton Public Schools.
- Submitted and received fiscal grants for Pedestrian Crosswalk signs, Ballistic Shields and Drug Give Back Box.

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- Continued implementation of Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) Report recommendations.
- Chief Arciero joined to the subcommittee assigned to develop town department 'performance measurements' program.
- Canton Police began administrative research and selection process for next generation vehicle for patrol force.

COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS:

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

- Continued with the monthly 'Coffee with the Cops', attendance at the local teen center ("Cave").
- Chief Arciero participated in a town wide 'Legal Summit' meeting at Canton High School with local judge, criminal defense attorney, JRB member, and youth counselor to address underage drinking concerns.
- Established and implemented the first ever Senior TRIAD program in Canton in collaboration with Canton's Department of Social Services. Canton Police is the first Farmington Valley Police department to implement a TRIAD program.
- Participated in many charitable/social assistance events: Ride to School, Walk for Hunger, Bagging for Hunger, Toy Drive, Food Drive, Special Olympics Torch Run, School Wellness Seminars, Teddy Bear Drive, Child ID-Amber Alert, Rotary/Chamber of Commerce Golf events, FOCUS and Youth Services Bureau meetings.
- Canton Police Department personnel participated in the planning and ceremony honoring the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 Memorial Event.

OPERATIONS: ACTIVITY INCIDENT DATA:

- Canton Police Department administrative, police, and dispatch personnel played major roles in the town wide response to two significant weather related storms (Storm Irene and the October Winter Storm). Both events resulted in significant adverse impact to the entire Canton community.
- Canton Police Department partnered with the State Liquor Control Enforcement Unit to conduct extensive undercover check for liquor law compliance for all town commercial establishments that serve alcohol. This joint effort was in response to multiple underage drinking arrests over a short period of time.
- Canton Police personnel involved in the safety and operational discussions concerning the construction of a national pharmacy chain store and associated roadway modifications.
- Created Canton Bank Security Profile directory of Canton banking institutions.
- Initiated the specialized 'Traffic Hot Spot'-Selective Enforcement Log.
- Re-wrote the CPD Wrecker Regulations.
- Made available revised 'Emergency Contact File' forms to area businesses to allow business owners to keep police contact information updated in case of emergency.
- Submitted several safety enhancement reports to State DOT regarding major roadways in Canton.

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- Canton Police Personnel, in conjunction with the Animal Control Officer, investigated a major animal cruelty case involving approximately 40 dogs/cats that resulted in an arrest and widespread media coverage.
- Canton Police Officers and Detective investigated, secured search and arrest warrants, and solved some significant burglary/larceny investigations involving multiple suspects in series of burglaries/larcenies in Canton and surrounding towns.
- During Fiscal Year 2011-2012, there were 10,196 incidents (Up 373) recorded which including the following:
 - 51 Domestic Disturbances/Family Offense Cases (Down 12)
 - > 106 Larceny/Theft Investigations (Down 23)
 - > 737 Medical calls were responded as first responders (Up 45)
 - > 2239 Motor Vehicle (MV) Stops (Up 432)
 - > 312 MV accident investigations (Down 49); 43 were with injuries (Up 5)
 - 16 Driving Under the Influence cases (Down 21)
 - > 34 Fraud cases investigated (Up 12)
 - 7 Sex Offense Investigation cases (Up 3)
 - 2 Death Investigations (Down 2)
 - > 14 Missing Person cases (down 1)
 - > 244 Suspicious Circumstances/Persons/Vehicles (Up 28)

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

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

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

PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR

The Project Administrator plans, organizes, and directs activities related to the construction, maintenance and repair of Town infrastructure including facilities, grounds, and roads. The Project Administrator works with the committees established by the Board of Selectmen on the renovation, design, and construction of Town facilities. The Project Administrator also works closely with the Public Works Department to coordinate and procure services associated with roads, bridges, and storm water drainage within the community along with other capital projects.

The Project Administrator assists in the preparation of grant requests to the State and Federal Government to obtain funds that may be available to offset the cost to the local taxpayer for the maintenance and construction of public works within the community.

The Project Administrator has been assigned as staff to several committees including the Capitol Projects Study Group, Permanent Municipal Building Committee, Solid Waste Transfer Study Committee, Upper Mill Pond Planning Committee and the recently formed Energy Committee. The efforts advance by these committees have included continuing to refine the priority, scope and cost of various capital projects, investigation of possible sites for the proposed highway garage, improvement of operations and reduction in cost at the Transfer Station, identifying and executing opportunities for Upper Mill Pond Master Plan development, renewal of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission preliminary license for the Collinsville Hydro Project, and investigating various energy saving programs under consideration to reduce energy use in Town owned facilities.

Capital projects completed during the fiscal year included rehabilitation of Scoville Road and Town Hall Widows and Door Replacement project. Other projects advanced during the year include the design for the rehabilitation of the Town Road Bridge over the Farmington River. Negotiations with the consultant selected for this project are completed for the study phase of the project that is schedule to begin in early 2013. Also completed during the fiscal year is the preliminary design for the proposed traffic signal at the Bridge Street (Route 179) and Main Street intersection. The construction of the traffic signal is anticipated in the spring of 2013 subject to acquisition of the required easements for the traffic signal equipment.

The Project Administrator also coordinated the development of concept plans and a permitting pre-application for proposed dock facility for launching of kayak and canoe on the Farmington River. A review of town owned sites for additional phone / data carrier installations was also initiated. Discussion with a telecommunications carrier was initiated that would allow addition facilities on the Town Hall communications tower.

The Project Administrator worked closely with the Land Use Department to facilitate improvements to the crosswalks at Lovely Street and US Route 44 to accommodate user of the Farmington River Trail that terminated at US Route 44. These changes were incorporated into roadway improvements associated with development at 115 Albany Turnpike.

A Small Cities grant application was submitted to the Department of Economic and Community Development for Phase 2 of the 21 Dowd rehabilitation project in early 2012. The application included the rehabilitation of 12 housing units, the Community Room, the parking and sidewalk areas. A contract extension to complete the required architectural plans and specifications was negotiated for the CHA in support of the project.

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Other grant application prepared and submitted for consideration included the Hazardous Mitigation Grant, CRCOG STP-Enhancement Program for extension of the Farmington River Trail north to Simsbury, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, Solarize Connecticut program for residential solar development and a STEAP grant application for funding for the Collinsville Hydroelectric Project.

Planning and investigation associate with the Pavement Management Program was ongoing during the year in preparation of funding increases anticipated in the program. The acceptance of Rustle Meadow Lane was also coordinated with the developer in conjunction with the Land Use Department.

The Project Administrator also procured various contractual services relative to the maintenance and operation of Town facilities and emergency services required for storm damage and cleanup including, bulky waste disposal at the transfer station, crack sealing of various roadway, removal of hazardous limbs, removal of vegetative debris. The Project Administrator has also managed consultant contracts in support of the various projects for services such as construction inspection services, field testing, field survey, housing rehabilitation, and hydropower consulting services. Also completed were necessary filing of reports to various State agencies for compliance with regulatory and grant requirements.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The Highway Department is responsible for the repair and maintenance of 71.2 miles of improved and unimproved roads within the Town of Canton. This past fiscal year saw the Highway Department respond to two very difficult storms. The first being Tropical Storm Irene in late August that tore through the town leaving a swath of damage requiring the department to respond by clearing roads and assisting residents. As if Irene was not bad enough, next came Storm Alfred in late October whose wet heavy snow downed trees and power lines leaving the town without power for over a week. The department responded by first clearing the snowy roads and then coordinating with outside vendors to clear the downed trees and cutting down dangerous hangers. In the end the department worked through the fall and winter to safely return the town's infrastructure back to normal. The department also responded to numerous requests from residents to perform drainage, tree work and road improvements throughout the year. This year also saw the department hire Brandon Shilosky, a Canton resident as a full-time Maintainer. The department did an exemplary job dealing with the two complex storms and numerous emergency call-ins throughout the year successfully keeping the Town's roads open and safe.

PARKS DEPARTMENT

The Parks Department is responsible for the maintenance and improvements of all fields, greens, parks and all athletic fields utilized by the Board of Education within the Town of Canton. The Parks Department use of excellent cultural practices and Integrated Pest Management (IPM), an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common-sense practices has begun to show excellent results in both field quality and maintenance costs. This year also included the department's ongoing commitment to maintaining and improving the Farmington River Trail. The department also continued to service the Town Pool maintaining a cool place for the Town's residents to enjoy. This growing department continues to add new services and finding better ways to deliver excellent results.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

The Building Maintenance Department is responsible for the maintenance and up-keep of the Town Hall, Library/Community Center, Public Works and Police Station. During this past year, the department responded to 207 service calls along with their regular duties. A new HVAC control system at the Library/Community Center was installed leading to improved air quality control and considerable savings in utility costs. Exterior LED lighting improvements were made at the Library/Community Center on 25% of existing fixtures resulting in lower energy costs. The department's commitment to perform at a high level this past year was very evident in keeping the buildings clean and well maintained.

TRANSFER STATION

The staff at the Transfer Station had another excellent year assisting the Town residents who bring their trash and recyclables to the facility. Approximately 1/3 of the Town's residents currently bring their household items to the Transfer Station. Upgrades to the trash and recycling compactor areas were completed in August resulting in an increase in the town's recycling rate. The larger roll-off containers also resulted in a 20% reduction in transportation costs. The Transfer Station also saw longtime department employee Patrick Vincent retire. Patrick's strong commitment to serving the town with a cheerful positive manner will be remembered by all who met him. Perry Polderman transferred from the Highway Department in September to operate the Transfer Station.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Director of Public Works primary duties are to manage the Town's infrastructure, public facilities, equipment, parks, public areas, and the transfer station. This past year saw Director Robert J. Martin battle a long-term illness. The department persevered with excellent leadership from Foreman Richard Lassen, Parks Supervisor Henry Maskaitis and Building Maintenance Supervisor Kevin Smith to allow Bob to recover and resume his duties. The department's administration strived to improve its commitment to Pavement Management and operational improvements in all departments. The Canton Public Works Department's motto is "Serving the Community with Pride". The department's goal is to search for improved ways to perform their jobs.

Senior and Social Services offers programs and services to address the needs and interests of Canton older adults (*generally* defined to be residents 55 years or older) and adults with disabilities, as well as Canton residents of all ages who may need emotional, financial or other kinds of assistance. The mission of the department is to help support self sustainability through programming and other supportive events and policies for Canton residents. The Senior and Social Services office provides current information on local, regional and statewide resources and coordinates increasingly diverse programs to serve residents with varying backgrounds and needs.

As a social services office, Claire continued to expand her involvement in the welfare of Canton residents. Many were assisted with financial help and others with help to live safely in their homes. October 2011 was the start of the energy assistance application period and approximately 230 residents received state monetary assistance for heat. In addition, funds from the Canton Fuel Bank (\$28846.80) helped approximately 350 others. The Collins Fund assisted 26 people (\$4167.46) and Focus on Canton helped 11 people (\$1463.37) in various ways. Senior & Social Services also applied for and received grant funding through United Way EFSP (Emergency Food & Shelter Program) in the amount of \$816.00 to help Canton residents who needed a bit of mortgage/rent help. Senior & Social Services helped two households, and a total of five people using these monies.

During the Fiscal Year 2011-2012, Senior Center programs offered previously were maintained and expanded. Programs that continued included the "In the News" current events group, and Cooking with Elaine, the 60+ Card Group (which includes both Set-back & pinochle players) with new members, and the newer Bridge Group began meeting regularly with an increased membership as well. A group of 8-12 women play Mah Jongg every week as well. The intergenerational "Days of Our Lives" collaborative program with the Canton Intermediate School had a spring session. Senior & Social Services continues to evaluate and adapt programming based on the wants & needs of residents. Because of this, many people attended Tai Chi for Osteoporosis and Gentle Yoga for 55+. A group that is new to Canton Senior Center started meeting on Monday evenings as well, after previous places they would congregate or could no longer accommodate all of them; "Women of the Fiber" is a group of about 25-30 women from Farmington Valley towns (and others) of varying ages and backgrounds who meet and socialize while working on individual projects and group ones as well (knitting, tatting, quilting, crocheting, etc.).

Senior & Social Services applied again and was awarded a grant **(\$13,826)** from the state DOT for regional elderly and disabled transportation, which was less than what was granted in previous years by a couple thousand dollars. Dial-A-Ride services for the elderly and for adults with disabilities are funded partially with this grant money so that we are able to provide transportation Monday through Friday, and joint trips with Simsbury. Transportation services effective July 1, 2011, were modified to be on a membership basis, with riders paying an annual membership fee rather than buying tickets for each ride. This streamlined use for riders. Transportation is provided to places within Canton and just beyond its borders to parts of New Hartford and Avon. Also included were excursions to cultural events, and shopping adventures and more. Senior & Social Services continues to coordinate Medical Transportation for Canton's elderly residents and adults with disabilities

who have appointments & procedures outside the Dial-A-Ride service area, and provides ongoing transportation for dialysis patients to local hospitals and clinics.

On-going programs continue to provide socialization, educate and entertain Canton's seniors and adults with disabilities: Dial-a-Ride transportation five days a week, an informal morning walking group, Cooking with Elaine, CHOICES Medicare Counseling, health and wellness presentations, AARP safe driving classes, blood pressure screenings, flu clinics, hearing screening, foot care clinic (provided now by a local podiatrist Dr. Lindsay), potluck luncheons, bereavement support, 911 Senior Cell Phone program, Vial of Life, AARP income tax counseling and filing assistance on-site in Canton, the Canton Seniors club, various card groups (at least three) and the In the News: Fact and Opinion discussion group on current affairs. Educational presentations (including guest speakers) and recreational offerings such as the annual picnic with Avon (and supported by the Avon-Canton Rotary,) and several other collaborative events with the Avon Senior Center are offered for the entertainment of residents.

In addition there were many one-time only educational and recreational events with diverse topics ranging from informational programs, entertainment by local high school & middle school bands, free Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream. Other important and ongoing programs included the twice-weekly CRT hot lunch program (with an average attendance each day of 50-65 people,) the daily Dial-A Ride service and out-of-town medical transportation to meet the needs of many of Canton's residents.

Representative special events this past year included:

- In August, we celebrated "Admit You're Happy Month!" People filled out a Smiley-Gram with reasons they have to be happy.
- In September, we held a Hawaiian Luau Brunch: Wed, at the Avon Senior Center. This was a collaborative event between Canton & Avon Senior Centers.
- In November, we had a "Lunch with the Cops" and the Canton P.D. & Canton S.C. sponsored (along with others) a free lunch for older/disabled folks. This was a way for residents to connect with the Police Department and share ideas with both the Police and your Senior Center.
- In December, we held our 3rd Annual "Winter Wonderland" Event Lunch, with entertainment and delicious desserts. Open to older adults and younger persons with disabilities. For Canton residents, it was free and non residents were asked to donate a non-perishable food item, to go to the Canton Food Bank.
- In February, Canton & Avon Senior Centers held their annual, collaborative "Love Your Neighbor Day" Event, hosted by Canton Senior Center. We were visited by the Canton Community Nursery School again and the children delighted us with their charm and songs, we ate a delicious special lunch, yummy desserts and had a grand old time!
- In May, we held a TRIAD Kickoff Event to introduce the TRIAD Program to the community. The Yellow Dot Program was explained and seniors who drive were able to sign up.

The Canton <u>Senior Scribe</u> continues to be utilized as the major form of communication and has close to 1000 subscribers. In an effort to "go green" as much as possible, the publication is now being sent out three times a year, as opposed to four. The publication is packed with Senior & Community events, as well as pertinent information from the other town departments. The Senior Scribe is mailed only within the state of Connecticut, with primary subscribers being Canton residents. Including events in publications such as the Hartford Courant iTowns section, 55+ publications, the Valley Press, the Canton LIFE, and the Patch.com for Canton have all helped to communicate what is happening through Senior and Social Services as well.

Looking forward to 2012-2013, the Senior and Social Services, with the support of the Canton Commission on Aging will continue to diversify and expand existing services and programs.

In 2011-2012 Canton Senior & Social Services welcomed a Social Work Student Intern from CCSU School of Social Work. Ashley Criniti worked with Senior & Social Services from September 2011-May 2012 under the supervision of Claire; she was here approximately 14 hours a week. The social work student's role is very important and Ashley acted as an asset of this department in providing intake and assessment services, creating several press releases in regards to department affairs, helping out in October during shelter operations, and she also conducted a community assessment that lead to the configuration of a new program in town, called Canton TRIAD Program.

Over the course of many months with Senior & Social Services, Ashley spearheaded the formation of a SALT Committee (Seniors And Law enforcement Together), which is a voluntary group of folks that support the TRIAD program, which is a program geared toward increasing senior safety and decreasing risk amongst older adults in the Canton community. The program is international and is endorsed by CT's Attorney General's office. Ashley conducted research to evaluate need, pulled together investors from the community, including representatives from local churches, nursing homes, the Canton Chamber of Commerce, folks from different housing complexes in Canton, the Chief of Police and the Senior & Social Services Coordinator, who Co-Facilitate the group now.

In May 2012 Canton Senior & Social Services hosted a kick-off event at the CCC for the TRIAD Program. Attorney General Jepsen came, along with Angela DeLeone of People's Bank who began and supports the YELLOW DOT PROGRAM, SALT Committee Members participated (including opening remarks by Reverand Linda Spiers, and a candle lighting ceremony with Chief Arciero, Rebecca Stevenson of Cherry Brook HCC, and Marin Shealy of Canton, etc.) and two programs, VIAL OF LIFE and Yellow Dot, were rolled out. Claire, Coordinator, MC'ed the event and a number of officials signed onto a proclamation (Dick Barlow, First Selectman; Claire Cote, Sen/Social Services; Chris Arciero, Chief of Police; Mike D'Apice, President of Canton Chamber of Commerce; George Jepsen, Attorney General; Angela DeLeon, People's United Bank; Marin Shealy, Canton SALT Committee) supporting the TRIAD Program in town. Ashley was given a proclamation from the Town and from the CT Legislature as well for all her hard work done with the town of Canton Senior & Social Services Dept.

One new responsibility of Senior/Social Services is helping in planning to prepare as a town and as a community for natural disasters. Claire sat in many planning meetings prior to Hurricane Irene and Storm Alfred, which both occurred in late summer/early fall of 2011. Storm Alfred swept through Canton, and through all of CT, in late October 2011, leaving 100% of Canton residents out of power for many days; downed wires and trees; severe heavy snowfall and a basic closing of the state. The Town of Canton opened up a shelter for folks to sleep, get some heat, charge up phones, devices and get meals. Canton Senior & Social Services played a big role in Shelter Operations, where Claire was a co-Manager of the shelter for the eight days it was open and available to residents. The shelter served over 1,019 people from a handful of communities (Canton shelter did not turn away folks from other communities who could not reach their homes/town shelters because of trees/debris/power lines in the road) and served between 250-500 people at every meal. Canton Senior & Social Services staffed the office while the shelter was open, coordinated food prep and sheltering services for the town, with the help of some wonderful volunteers and in collaboration with other town departments (volunteer Deneen Lockwood served as co-Manager with Claire and her husband Bruce, and daughters Kelsey and Alyssa helped immensely). Town departments that Senior/Social Services worked closely with to ensure the safety of, in particular, those 'at risk' homebound, elderly or disabled residents: Fire Marshal/Dir. Of Emergency Services Adam Libros; Canton PD; Canton Fire/EMS. The Community Center was the shelter and so collaborating with Canton Public Library and with Canton Parks & Recreation was important in an effort to best serve those folks using the shelter services. Thousands of volunteer hours were put in over the course of eight days and recommendations were made by each department, including Senior/Social Services in ways of improving services if ever this was to happen again. There is talk that Claire and Dir of Emergency Services, Adam Libros, will coordinate a group of volunteers in the future to help in such dire situations when town resources are stretched to their limits.

We continue to be cognizant of the upcoming "baby boomer as senior population" and as more baby boomers "retire" and look for new ways to connect to and stay active in their community, it is hoped they will become more aware of what Senior & Social Services has to offer to them. Our goal is to communicate with those who utilize services on a regular basis, and also expand programming & services to accommodate the interests and needs of adults with disabilities and the active-aging population of Canton. This office will continue to provide programs and events that increase well-being of all Canton residents, while working with them to increase self-sustainability, self esteem and their ability to be active members of their community here in Canton.

TAX COLLECTOR

The tax office is responsible for the billing and collection of real estate, motor vehicle and personal property taxes, sewer use, sewer assessment and connection fees along with parking tickets. Please see the tax collector's report for the tax and sewer collection breakdown for the fiscal year 7/1/11 - 6/30/12.

When real estate, sewer use and sewer connection charges remain unpaid, liens must be filed on the land records. After payment has been made, the liens are released. When motor vehicle taxes are not paid on time, by State Statute the Tax Collector must report to the Department of Motor Vehicle those tax payers who are delinquent. This allows the DMV to hold up any renewal or new registration for that individual or business until payment is made in full.

For the Fiscal Year 2011-2012, Canton's tax collection rate exceeded 99.5%. Through the diligent efforts of the staff in the Tax Office, the Town took in \$354,000 in back taxes and \$197,000 in interest.

The approved budget for the fiscal year allowed us to staff the office with one full time employee, Tax Collector and one part-time employee.

A list of the top 10 delinquent accounts as of June 30, 2012 follows:

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Cadle Properties 100 North Center St Newton Falls, OH Property: 51 Albany Turnpike	\$ 331,316.90
EJS Enterprises PO Box 447 Canton, Property: 95 Albany Turnpike	\$ 48,691.74
Hinman, Lois C & John P.O. Box 167 Canton, CT Property: 175 Albany Turnpike	\$ 37,555.26
Herbert, Edward 464 North Shore Road Greensboro, VT 05841 Property: 1 Dyer Cemetery Road	\$ 35,686.18
Kent Way Associates LLC 790 Farmington Ave Farmington, CT Property: 10, 14, 18, 22 Mountain Springs	\$ 24,091.63
Pilares, Sandra 5 Woodridge Circle Canton, CT Property: 5 Woodridge Circle	\$ 22,440.32

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Woolford, Robert Julian 81 West Simsbury Road Canton, CT Property: 81 West Simsbury Road and MV's	\$ 18,284.91
Marfyak, Deborah L 105 Torrington Ave Canton, CT Property: 105 Torrington Ave	\$ 16,254.96
Ziemba, Julius A 111 Dowd Ave Canton, CT Property: 111 Dowd Ave	\$ 14,221.46
Bahre, Karen 8 Freeland Farms Road Canton, CT Property: 8 Freeland Farms Rd	\$ 13,816.32
<u>SEWER ACCOUNTS</u> Herbert, Edward 464 North Shore Road Greensboro, VT Property: 1 Dyer Cemetery Road	\$ 6,507.80
Benson, Bret A and Nancy G 20 Maple Avenue Canton, CT Property: 20 Maple Ave	\$ 3,525.00
Cantwell, Richard M 3 Burlington Ave Canton, Ct Property: 30 Torrington Ave & 68 Church St	\$ 2,808.60
Lockwood, Dewey J & Janet C 2220 Sandlewood Drive Twinsburg, OH Property: 30 Center St	\$ 1,780.00
Dziedzic, Carolyn L 10 Gildersleeve Ave Canton, CT Property: 10 Gildersleeve Ave	\$ 1,705.00

TAX COLLECTOR

Brown, Timothy A 26 New Road Canton, CT		
Property: 26 New Road	\$ 1	,460.00
Gueret, Michel L. 6 Old Line Lane Canton, CT		
Property: 6 Old Line Lane	\$ 1	,460.00
Gregory-Baymon, Kimberly 505 Timber Lane Canton, CT		
Property: 505 Timber Lane	\$1	,105.91
Mitchell, James & Anne P.O. Box 18 Canton, CT		
Property: 55 Dowd Ave Unit 36	\$ 1	,016.07
Ayad, Khaled M & Deabes, Nashwa N 92 Dyer Avenue Canton, CT		
Property: 92 Dyer Ave	\$	890.00

TOWN CLERK

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

Department activities during the fiscal year include:

A Historic Documents Preservation Grant (FY2012) was obtained. With the \$3500 in funds, a digital recorder (Marantz CDR310) was purchased to record meetings of the Canton Town Boards and Commissions. The crisp, clean audio that is created by this high quality machine is used to digitally record meetings and then download the files to the Town server for easy access in creating the minutes of the meeting and when FOI requests are made. In addition, a Safeco high density hanging map filing cabinet was purchased. The MasterFile2 allows for quick and easy map storage and retrieval, holding up to 1600 mylar maps.

A new Assistant Town Clerk was hired November 9, 2011. Christopher O'Herron has begun his hands-on training in the office and his formal training with the Connecticut Town Clerk's Association.

On March 22 the Town Clerk hosted a Freedom of Information session with Thomas Hennick, Information Officer at FOI. Approximately 30 people were in attendance from both the Town of Canton staff and volunteers from various boards and commissions.

On October 11 & 12 AED training took place for Town of Canton employees. The earlier purchase of the Town Hall AED machine and the costs associated with the training were all made possible by a grant from the Canton Community Health Fund.

On October 29th the Town of Canton, as well as the rest of Connecticut, experienced a fall nor'easter that knocked down trees, limbs, power lines and cable lines. While the Town Hall operated on generator power, internet and email connections from the Town Hall were unavailable for the rest of the month into November.

The third annual "Top Dog" Program kicked off in an effort to promote dog licensing in the Town. Teddy Williams became Canton's "Top Dog" as his name was pulled from a hat among all those dogs that were licensed in a timely fashion in the month of June.

The Town's website continues to be utilized by more people every year. During fiscal year 2011-2012, 50,168 people made 99,341 visits to the site. The most visited pages include the Home page, Assessor, Employment Opportunities, Agendas and Minutes, Canton Visitor's Guide, Town Clerk, Police, Tax Collector, Farmington River Trail, Request for Proposals, and News.

TOWN CLERK

Town Clerk Receipts

FY 2011-2012		
Fiscal Year To Date Totals	Total	Total
Description	Items	Amount
Description	<u>items</u>	Amount
Conveyance Tax	133	\$104,316.22
Recording Land Records St of CT Historical Preservation Town Clerk Historical Preservation Town of Canton-Land Preservation St of CT-Land & Dairy Preservation Town Clerk Land Preservation	2185 2185 2185 2185 2185 2185 2185	\$62,806.00 \$4,370.00 \$2,185.00 \$6,555.00 \$78,660.00 \$2,185.00
Maps	133	\$1,510.00
Copies	1925	\$11,346.55
St of CT DEP Sport Licenses-Town of Canton	116 112	\$3,868.00 \$112.00
Miscellaneous	92	\$636.00
Vitals	596	\$10,007.00
Marriage/CU Licenses St of CT	24	\$456.00
Dog Licenses-Town of Canton Dog Licenses-St of CT	1105 1091	\$1,098.00 \$8,674.00
Notary Fees	26	\$260.00
Transfer Station	2722	\$230,718.50
Stone	6	\$90.00
TOTALS	8906	\$529,853.27

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

The Canton Water Pollution Control Facility operates under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), our current rating is for 950,000 gallons per day. The WPCF staff operates and maintains the Water Pollution control Facility, along with 3 sewage-pumping stations and approximately 23 miles of sanitary sewers.

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

This past year the facility treated over 275 million gallons of wastewater, equating to an average flow of approximately 753,000 gallons per day. The WPCF consistently achieved advanced treatment as required by the NPDES permit, averaging pollutant removals of 96 % for Biochemical Oxygen Demand and 97% for Total Suspended Solids. The facility continues to receive very positive inspection reports from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

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

WPCF staff continues to identify and undertake projects that are addressing both the needs of the infrastructure and process capabilities of the facility. This past year, staff has worked diligently on the performance of the hybrid system that is assisting in cleaning up the effluent. The Rotating Biological Contactors Process received an upgrade, two new Aeration Blowers were installed to help prolong the life expectancy of the RBC's. The odor control plan that was implemented is proving very beneficial at keeping odors to a minimum. Signs were made and installed on all buildings at the WPCF and the Channel Monster which grinds up all solids prior to being pumped was in need of cutter replacement, and has been changed out.

The Fats Oil & Grease (FOG) Program that was implemented in 2008 continues to make strides in keeping the town's infrastructure (sewer lines and manholes) clear of fats oil and grease from Food Preparation Establishments.

This past year we have seen some intense weather hit us, we had Tropical Storm Irene, which bought flooding rains to our area, and storm Alfred brought a crippling snowstorm that left us without power for a number of days. Fortunately we came through both of the storms well without many side effects.

This past year the Town of Canton has seen some new development come in town which has connected to the town's sewer system. The WPCF has moved forward with our next capital project, the Solids Handling Building, plans are in the works to repair the crumbling brick on the outside, replace the rubber membrane roof and to remove the floating covers on each of the old digesters. New fixed covers will be installed along with an odor control system to minimize odors.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

The Water Pollution Control Authority meets on the first Tuesday of each month at the Library Community Center at 7 p.m. The meetings are open to the public and interested residents are encouraged to attend.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

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

The Zoning Board of Appeals held two (2) regular meetings and four (4) special meetings. They processed nine (9) applications for appeals of Zoning Regulations and one (1) application to appeal decision of Zoning Enforcement Officer.

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

ZONING COMMISSION

The Zoning Commission is a regulatory decision making board whose purpose is to promote health and welfare of citizens, protect land values, natural resources and water quality; and avoid congestion, safety hazards, land erosion and overtaxing of public facilities. The Zoning Commission is responsible for establishing the means of orderly growth and development through the interpretation and enforcement of the Canton Zoning Regulations and the implementation of appropriate Goals, Policies and Recommendations of the 2003 Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD). A member of the Zoning Commission is also a member of the Plan of Conservation and Development Update Committee.

The Zoning Commission also has a subcommittee of its membership that is aggressively working towards the completion of the comprehensive rewrite of the Zoning Regulations. Combined with the sub-committee, Zoning held twenty-four (24) meeting (including regulation rewrite meetings) and processed thirty-eight (38) applications for a variety of site plans, site plan amendments, special exception uses and zoning amendments.

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

The Zoning Commission is comprised of seven (7) regular members and three (3) alternate members. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM, at the Library Community Center. All meetings are open to the public and the Commission welcomes input from town residents and property owners for all public hearings.

News	Address	Term Expiration
Name	Address	Date
BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS (Elected)	
David P. Sinish	20 Dyer Avenue	11/17/2015
Paul F. Volovski	66 Lawton Road	11/19/2013
Carol G. York	PO Box 602, Canton Center 06020	11/17/2015
BOARD OF EDUCATION		
Peg Berry	115 Robin Drive	11/17/2015
David Briggs	19 Mohawk Drive	11/17/2015
Leslee Hill	91 Andrew Drive	11/19/2013
Beth Kandrysawtz	35 Hanson Road	11/19/2013
Dana Kosior	111 Andrew Drive	11/19/2013
Laurie McKenna	8 East Mountain Road	11/17/2015
Carlene Rhea	248 Wright Road	11/19/2013
Helen Treacy	22 Old Miss Drive	11/17/2015
Patricia White	81 Dyer Avenue	11/19/2013
BOARD OF FINANCE		
Bill Canny	51 Breezy Hill Road	11/17/2015
Richard Eickenhorst	7 Shingle Mill Drive	11/19/2013
Brian First	85 High Valley Drive	11/19/2013
Kenneth Humphrey	250 East Hill Road	11/17/2015
Richard Ohanesian	1 Whitney Lane	11/19/2013
Mary Tomolonius	148 Bahre Corner Road	11/17/2015
BOARD OF SELECTMEN		
Richard Barlow (First Selectman)	321 Cherry Brook Road	11/17/2015
David Gilchrist	54 Lawton Road	11/17/2015
Lowell Humphrey	19 Canton Valley Circle	11/17/2015
Stephen Roberto (Deputy)	1 Tanglewood Drive	11/17/2015
Thomas Sevigny	131 Gracey Road	11/17/2015

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Name	Address	Date
BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS		
Russell Richardson, Jr.	PO Box 128, Canton Center 06020	
Charles Whitney	PO Box 216	
Christopher Winsor	10 West Simsbury Road	
CANTON BOARD OF ETHICS		
(5 Regular, 2 Alternate members) (See Ord	dinance #230 for terms)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Arthur Casey	4 Brook Ridge Drive	6/30/2015
David Kubas	82 East Hill Road	6/30/2013
Edith Offenhartz	70 Lawton Road	6/30/2015
Howard, Jr. Winterson	139 North Mountain Road	6/30/2013
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Dennis Ciccarillo	106 East Mountain Road	6/30/2015
Emil Huyghebaert	19 Freedom Drive	6/30/2015
VACANCY		6/30/2015
CANTON CENTER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION		
(5 Regular (2 in district), 3 Alternate (1 in d	<i>listrict)</i> members - 4 year term)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Kim Bowen - Chair (In)	144 Cherry Brook Road	1/1/2016
Sandra Bridgman	PO Box 137, Canton Center 06020	1/1/2013
Marianne H. Burbank	84 North Mountain Road	1/1/2015
Nora Hillman-Goeler	133 Morgan Road	1/1/2013
Stephen Johnson	221 Cherry Brook Road	1/1/2016
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
VACANCY (In)		

(2) VACANCIES

		Term Expiration
Name	Address	Date
CANTON HOUSING AUTHORITY		
(5 Regular members - 4 year term)		
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Sarah Cheney (Chair)	19 Town Bridge Road	12/31/2012
David Fisher	30 Gracey Road	12/31/2013
Dale Monroe	PO Box 440, Collinsville 06022	12/31/2015
Arthur Rote	21 Dowd Avenue, Apt.3	12/31/2013
VACANCY		
CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD (OF TRUSTEES	
(Term - 4 years)		
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Karen Berger	15 Orchard Hill Road	7/1/2012
Marjorie Clarke	45 Sunset Terrace	7/1/2014
Walter Gillette	222 Barbourtown Road	7/1/2013
Bonita Hansen	24 Canton Hollow	7/1/2014
Michael Leonard	5 Uplands Drive	7/1/2013
Richard Matos (Vice Chair)	5 Drake Lane	7/1/2014
Patricia McGarry	50 East Hill Road, #6A	7/1/2012
David Owen	92 East Hill Road	7/1/2014
VACANCY		7/1/2013
Friends of the Library		
Sue Ann Uccello	6 Trailsend Drive	

CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTATIVE

R Richard J. Barlow

321 Cherry Brook Road

CENTRAL REGIONAL TOURISM DISTRICT VACANCY

Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
CHIEF OF FIRE/EMS Richard Hutchings	4 Market Street	
J. J		
COLLINSVILLLE HISTORIC DISTRIC	T COMMISSION	
(5 Regular, 3 Alternate members - 4 yea	ar term)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Eric Jackson	137 Main Street	6/30/2012
Walter Kendra	16 South Street	6/30/2012
David Leff	4 The Green	6/30/2014
Kenton McCoy (Chair)	6 Center Street	6/30/2013
Kathleen Woolam	70 Simmonds Avenue	6/30/2015
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Sylvia Cancela	49 Sunset Terrace	6/30/2014
Mary Ellen Cosker	20 Atwater Road	6/30/2013
Stephen Veillette	6 Mohawk Drive	6/30/2012
COMMISSION ON AGING		
(7 Regular, 3 Alternate members - 4 year te	erm)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Arthur Blondin (Chair)	9 Orchard Hill Road	1/1/2014
Lori Kluessendorf	15 Old Canton Road	1/1/2013
Evelyn Kubas	82 East Hill Road	1/1/2014
Dorothea Murray	74 Lawton Road	1/1/2015
Maureen Wallison	11 Canton Valley Circle	1/1/2016
VACANCY		1/1/2016
VACANCY		
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Michie Hesselbrock	185 Breezy Hill Road	1/1/2013
VACANCY		
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Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
(7 Regular members - 4 year term)		
James Davis (Chair)	22 Westwood Drive	6/30/2013
Sara Faulkner	25 Dyer Avenue	7/1/2014
Maureen Flynn	PO Box 377	7/1/2013
Jay Kaplan	71 Gracey Road	6/30/2013
Wendy Madigan	PO Box 52	7/1/2014
VACANCY		7/1/2012
VACANCY		
<u>CONSTABLES</u>		
Per Town Ordinance #180		
Mickey Barlow	209 Bahre Corner Road	11/19/2013
Dan Barnhart	6 Allen Place	11/19/2013
Karen Berry	40 East Mountain Road	11/19/2013
Robert Bessel	4 South Street	11/19/2013
Larry Minichiello	35 Maple Avenue	11/19/2013
Gregory Sims	50 East Hill Road, #8C	11/19/2013
Carrie Sinish	20 Dyer Avenue	11/19/2013
DECD Central Tourism Representative VACANCY		
DESIGN REVIEW TEAM		
(5 Regular members (1 member must be on 2	<i>Coning) –</i> 4 year term)	
James Harris	8 Pheasant Hill Road	4/1/2014
Gary Hath (Chair)	2 Tanglewood Drive	4/1/2016
Frank Mairano	60 Dyer Avenue	4/1/2016
Jerry Waters	5 Thayer Avenue	4/1/2015
VACANCY		7/1/2013

Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGE		Buic
(5 Regular members (as of 04/15/09 S7		
REGULAR MEMBERS	<i>inity</i> + year term?	
Glenn Arnold	11 Bart Drive	7/12/2016
Tyler Brown	38 Crown Point Road	7/1/2013
Andrew Charron	31 Bart Drive	7/1/2013
Kevin Jackson (Chair)	86 Atwater Road	7/1/2016
VACANCY		7/1/2013
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIR	ECTOR	
Adam Libros	4 Market Street	
ENERGY COMMITTEE		
Arthur, Jr. Fournier	16 Country Lane	4/25/2016
Ben Holden	20 Boulder Ridge	4/25/2016
Candace Langlois	77 Indian Hill Road	4/25/2016
David Madigan	PO Box 52, Canton Center, CT 06020	4/25/2016
Nancy Miller	17 Dyer Avenue	4/25/2016
Matthew Stone	50 East Hill Road, #6C	4/25/2016
VACANCY		4/25/2016
FARMINGTON RIVER COORDINA	TING COMMITTEE www.farmingtonriver.org	
Wiliam Roberts	58 Country Lane	n/a
Cherie Robinson (Alternate)	61 Sterling Drive	n/a
FARMINGTON VALLEY HEALTH		
Richard Barlow	321 Cherry Brook Road	1/22/2014
Stephen Roberto	1 Tanglewood Drive	1/22/2014

		Term Expiration
Name	Address	Date
INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOUP		
(5 Regular, 3 Alternate members - 4 ye	ar term)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Edwin Evonsion	PO Box 312, North Canton 06059	12/31/2013
Michael Mischak	10 River Street	12/31/2013
Robert Oswald	138 Torrington Avenue	12/31/2015
David Shepard (Chair)	7 Pond View Drive	12/31/2015
David Sinish	20 Dyer Avenue	12/31/2014
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
VACANCY		12/31/2014
(2) VACANCIES		
JUVENILE REVIEW BOARD		
(5 Regular members - 4 year term)		
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Ben Mills	4 Jeff Lane	6/30/2013
William Sarmuk	37 Breezy Hill Road	6/30/2013
Ruth Small	315 East Hill Road	6/30/2015
Elizabeth Taylor-Huey	22 Hoffmann Road	6/30/2013
VACANCY		6/30/2014
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Lee Brown-Egan	8 Noja Trail	6/30/2013
VACANCY		

MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY

(2 year term must be a member of the Commission on Aging/appointed by CEO)

Claire Cote

3/18/2013

Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
	COUISITION COMMISSION or of Canton Land Conservation Trust; 1 member of expertise within the development community)	r of the
Hedy Barton	PO Box 325, North Canton 06059	12/31/2013
Charles DeWeese	263 Wright Road	12/31/2011
Jay Kaplan	71 Gracey Road	12/13/2013
William, Jr. Spatcher (Chair)	17 Pond Road	12/31/2014
VACANCY		12/31/2013
(2) VACANCIES		
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION (7 Regular members - 4 year term) REGULAR MEMBERS Rebecca Andrews (Chair) Christopher Eckert Julius Fialkiewicz Beverly Hammond Ben Holden Todd Jacobs VACANCY	7 Mills Lane 22 Camille Lane 11 East Hill Road 7 Gemstone Drive 20 Boulder Ridge 21 East Hill Road	7/1/2016 6/30/2015 7/1/2013 7/1/2013 7/1/2014 7/1/2015
PENSION COMMITTEE (5 Regular members - 4 year term) REGULAR MEMBERS David Chellgren W.Michael Forte Michael "Ken" Griffin Darrin Tulley Joseph Vacca (Vice Chair)	13 Buttonwood Hill Road 28 Wilder's Pass 51 Queens Peak 33 Dartmouth Drive 101 High Valley	1/1/2015 1/1/2016 1/1/2015 1/1/2016 1/1/2013

Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
PERMANENT MUNICIPAL BUILDING		Buto
(4 Regular members - 4 year term)		
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Karen Berry	40 East Mountain Road	7/1/2014
Ronald Dymicki	5 Sugar Camp Road	7/1/2016
David Madigan	PO Box 52, Canton Center	7/1/2016
Peter Reynolds (Chair)	4 Deer Run Road	7/1/2014
PLAINVILLE AREA CABLE TELE. AD	VISORY COUNCIL	
(2 Regular members - 2 year term)		
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Harvey Jassem	243 East Hill Road	6/30/2013
VACANCY		
PLANNING COMMISSION		
(5 Regular, 3 Alternate members - 4 yea	ar term)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Rosemary Aldridge (Chair)	223 Bahre Corner Road	4/1/2015
Michael DiPinto	21 River Street	4/1/2015
David Evens	PO Box 134	4/1/2013
Bruce Mortimer	11 Center Street	3/31/2016
Jonathan Thiesse	224 Wright Road	3/31/2016
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Andrew Magnan	4 Pondview Drive	5/4/2015
(2) VACANCIES		
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS		
Democrat - Elizabeth Fournier	16 Country Lane	Elected
Deputy – Lynn Homan	43 Andrew Drive	
Republican - John (Jack) Miner	15 Olson Road	Elected
Deputy - Rich Constrastano	22 Colony Road	

		Term Expiration
Name	Address	Date
TEMPORARY EMS STUDY COMMITTEE		
	EMS members, 2 active Fire Department members, s at large - two of which must be familiar with emerg	
Myles Angell	57 Gildersleeve Avenue	1/2/2014
David Bondanza	109 High Valley Drive	1/2/2014
Julius Fialkiewicz	11 East Hill Road	1/2/2014
Peter Getz	88 Case Street	1/2/2014
Ryan Kerr	92 Barbourtown Road	1/2/2014
Stephen Johnson	221 Cherry Brook Road	1/2/2014
Alex Morisano	22 Sterling Drive	1/2/2014
Colin Narducci	509 Cherry Brook Road	1/2/2014
Joseph Vacca	101 High Valley	1/2/2014
TEMPORARY PLAN OF CONSERVATIO	N AND DEVELOPMENT UPDATE COMMITTE	E
Rosemary Aldridge (Chair) (Planning member)	223 Bahre Corner Road	9/1/2013
Susan Carr (C.A.R.E.)	PO Box 314	9/1/2013
Michael DiPinto (Planning member)	260 Ratlum Road, New Hartford 06057	9/1/2013
David Evens (Planning member)	PO Box 134	9/1/2013
Julius Fialkiewicz (Community member)	11 East Hill Road	9/1/2013
Kevin Jackson (EDA member)	86 Atwater Road	9/1/2013
Bruce Mortimer (Planning member)	11 Center Street	9/1/2013
Kristin Oswald (Chamber of Commerce)	138 Torrington Avenue	9/1/2013
Philip Pane (Zoning member)	5 Olson Road	9/1/2013
Lansford Perry (Community member)	PO Box 1, Canton Center	9/1/2013
Peter Reynolds (Community member)	4 Deer Run Road	9/1/2013
David Shepard (IWWCA member)	7 Pond View Drive	9/1/2013
Jonathan Thiesse (Planning member)	224 Wright Road	9/1/2013
TEMPORARY PROPERTY TAX RELIEF	PROGRAM COMMITTEE	
Jean Bouchard	PO Box 442, Canton	11/23/2012
Richard Eickenhorst	7 Shingle Mill Drive	11/23/2012
Linea Erickson	PO Box 306, Collinsville	11/23/2012
Stephen Roberto	1 Tanglewood Drive	11/23/2012
Marguerite Schofield	23 Thayer Avenue	11/23/2012

Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
	SFER STATION STUDY COMMITTEE	
(5 Regular members - 2 year term)	SI EN STATION STODI COMMITTEE	
Jay Eustace (Vice Chair)	394 Cherry Brook Road	10/7/2012
Arthur, Jr. Fournier (Chair)	16 Country Lane	10/7/2012
Bruce Merritt	51 Country Lane	10/7/2012
Bob Namnoum	146 Cherry Brook Road	10/7/2012
VACANCY		10/7/2012
		10/1/2012
TOWN MEETING MODERATORS		
(1 Moderator with up to 3 Alternates - 2	• ,	
David Leff	4 The Green	12/14/2013
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Lorinda Pane	5 Olson Road	11/1/2013
(2) VACANCIES		
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUT	THORITY	
(5 Regular members - 4 year term)		
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Paul Balavender	98 Andrew Drive	7/1/2014
Stuart Greacen	31 Country Lane	7/1/2016
Matthew Stone	50 East Hill Road, #6C	7/1/2016
Robert Suttmiller (Chair)	PO Box 275, Collinsville	7/1/2013
VACANCY		

WILD AND SCENIC RIVER STUDY COMMITTEE

David Leff	4 The Green	n/a

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Name	Address	Term Expiration Date
YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU		
(7 Regular members (1 member mus	<i>t be 18-21 years old)</i> - 4 year term)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Glenn Barger (Chair)	8 Pond Road	7/1/2013
Peter Black (Vice Chair)	612 Cherry Brook Road	7/1/2014
Stan Krzanowski	625 Cherry Brook Road	7/1/2013
Laura Meheran	270 Barbourtown Road	7/1/2014
Sue Saidel (Secretary)	3 Westview Drive	7/1/2014
Lorinda Snow	23 Mohawk Drive	7/1/2014
VACANCY (Youth Member)		
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
(5 Regular, 3 Alternate members - 4 y	/ear term)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
Robert, Jr. Brainard	151 Wright Road	1/3/2015
Anthony DeVito	20 Allen Place	1/3/2014
Jay Eustace	394 Cherry Brook Road	1/3/2012
Theodore Matthews	26 Wickhams Fancy	1/3/2012
Paul Volovski (Chair)	66 Lawton Road	1/3/2012
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
David Martin	115 Torrington Avenue	1/1/2016
Robert Sigman	45 West Road	1/1/2016
VACANCY		

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ZONING COMMISSION		
(7 Regular, 3 Alternate members - 4	year term) (Aquifer Protection Agency)	
REGULAR MEMBERS		
David Bondanza	109 High Valley Drive	1/3/2015
Katherine E. Hooker	35 Maple Avenue	1/3/2013
Russell Lee	1 Jeff's Lane	1/3/2016
Philip Pane	5 Olson Road	1/3/2013
William Sarmuk	37 Breezy Hill Road	1/3/2016
Sandra Trionfini	14 Case Street	1/3/2014
Jay Weintraub (Chair)	3 Uplands Drive	1/3/2013
ALTERNATE MEMBERS		
Jeffrey Johnson	160 East Hill Road	1/3/2013
(2) VACANCIES		