

Minutes of the Town of Farmington
Regular Town Council Meeting
May 8, 2018

Present:

Nancy W. Nickerson, Chair
Patricia Boye-Williams
Bruce Charette
Paul Cianci
Edward Giannaros
Beth Kintner
C. J. Thomas

Kathy Eagen, Town Manager
Paula B. Ray, Clerk

A. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Council and members of the public recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Presentations and Recognitions

1. Eagle Scout – Jack Pelham

Mr. Thomas read the following proclamation in honor of Jack Pelhman:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America help train the youth of our community with skills which will serve them well in the future, and

WHEREAS, many of our youth participate in activities of the Boy Scouts of America which benefit our community, and

WHEREAS, one of the crowning achievements of Boy Scouting is the attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Jack Pelham from Troop 68 Boy Scouts of America recently completed the requirements for Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Jack Pelham planned and executed the construction of several benches and signs for educational purposes at the Hill-Stead Museum, and

WHEREAS, Jack Pelham has demonstrated superb leadership skills by completing the Boy Scouts National Leadership Training, serving his Troop as a member of the Order of the Arrow, as well as Patrol Leader, Troop Bugler, and Camp Bugler. In 2017, due to Jack's leadership, his patrol was awarded first place at the CT Rivers Council First Aid Meet, and

WHEREAS, Jack Pelham serves as Farmington High School's Symphonic Band President, was awarded Drum Major; plays on the Farmington High School Varsity Volleyball Team; and was inducted into the Tri-M, the Music National Honor Society in 2017, and

WHEREAS, as a result of Jack Pelham's efforts the lives of the people of Farmington will be enriched and enhanced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Farmington Town Council, we hereby extend to Jack Pelham our best wishes and we hereby proclaim May 8, 2018 as Jack Pelham Day in Farmington, Connecticut.

Dated at Farmington, Connecticut this 22nd day of April 2018.

Nancy W. Nickerson
Chair, Farmington Town Council

2. Eagle Scout – Matt Ploma

Mr. Thomas read the following proclamation in honor of Matt Ploma:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of America help train the youth of our community with skills which will serve them well in the future, and

WHEREAS, many of our youth participate in activities of the Boy Scouts of America which benefit our community, and

WHEREAS, one of the crowning achievements of Boy Scouting is the attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Mathew Plona from Troop 68 Boy Scouts of America recently completed the requirements for Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Mathew Plona performed needed landscaping for the Church of Saint Patrick in Farmington, he removed and replanted shrubs to beautify the shed, and removed a statue, as well as performing other tasks to beautify the property, and

WHEREAS, Mathew Plona has demonstrated superb leadership skills by completing the Boy Scouts of America National Leadership Training, and serving his Troop as Assistant Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader, and

WHEREAS, Mathew Plona participated in Farmington High School Music and performed in every Farmington School drama production since seventh grade; and in 2017 won a Halo Award for his role as George Bailey in "It's a Wonderful Life," and

WHEREAS, as a result of Mathew Plona's effort, the lives of the people of Farmington will be enriched and enhanced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Farmington Town Council, we hereby extend to Mathew Plona our best wishes and we hereby proclaim May 9, 2018 as Mathew Plona Day in Farmington, Connecticut.

Dated at Farmington, Connecticut this 22nd day of April 2018.

Nancy W. Nickerson
Chair, Farmington Town Council

3. Helen McGuire – 100th Birthday

The Chair read the following proclamation in honor of Helen McGuire:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Helen McGuire was born on May 1, 1918 in Saint Francis Hospital, and was raised in West Hartford, CT, and

WHEREAS, Helen McGuire was the second of five children born to Mary Burke McGuire and Michael McGuire, and

WHEREAS, Helen McGuire attended Our Lady of Sorrows School and graduated from Mount St. Joseph Academy in the 1930's, and

WHEREAS, Helen McGuire resided in 25 Thomas Street, West Hartford until 1990 when she purchased her first home on Fairwood Farm Drive in West Hartford, and

WHEREAS, Helen McGuire worked at Billings & Spencer after she finished high school, then went on to work for CIGNA for many years, and

WHEREAS, Helen McGuire enjoyed duckpin bowling and visiting New York City, and

WHEREAS, in the 1960's Helen McGuire became the first of her siblings to visit Ireland, where she met many extended family members including her mother's sister and many of her first cousins on both sides of her family, and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, Helen McGuire has enjoyed needlework, knitting, crocheting, shopping and traveling, and is known for always being generous, compassionate, and loving to that entire she called family.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby wish Helen McGuire a very happy 100th birthday and officially declare May 1 as "Helen McGuire Day" in Farmington.

Dated at Farmington, Connecticut this 1st Day of May, 2018.

Nancy W. Nickerson
Chair, Farmington Town Council

4. Jonathan Olshefski- Stephen A. Flis Scholarship recipient

Mr. Cianci read the following commendation for Jonathan Olshefski:

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION

WHEREAS, the Stephen A. Flis Scholarship was established in 1985 and dedicated to Stephen A. Flis, who served as Town Manager of the Town of Farmington from 1955 to 1985, and

WHEREAS, the scholarship was established for Farmington residents seeking a college degree in Public Administration and/or Public Service, and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Olshefski of Farmington submitted his application to the Stephen A. Flis Scholarship Committee, and

WHEREAS, the Stephen A. Flis Scholarship Committee unanimously chose Jonathan Olshefski's application and has approved a scholarship award of \$500.00, and

WHEREAS, Jonathan served was elected by his peers to Boy Scouting's honor society, the Order of the Arrow; he served as Relay For Life Team Captain from 2014 through 2017, and has worked on the Town-wide Scouting for Food Drive from 2008 through 2017; Jonathan also volunteers at numerous other events including the Jason Adorno Memorial Bike Ride and National Trails Day and Conservation events; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Olshefski will be attending Delaware Technical Community College where he can continue his dedication to public service by pursuing a Criminal Justice degree and a career in Law Enforcement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmington Town Council commends Jonathan Olshefski on his scholarship award and hereby encourages his continued success with his future studies.

Dated at Farmington, Connecticut this 8th day of May 2018.

Nancy W. Nickerson
Farmington Town Council Chair

5. Bicycle Friendly Farmington

Mr. Thomas joined Ron Goralski, President of Bicycle Friendly Farmington and Judi Orlando, Board Member Bicycle Friendly Farmington to give a presentation about the organization. They reviewed their accomplishments and goals using the lists recorded with these minutes as Agenda Item C-5.

6. Nancy Parent, Director of Community Services – Opioid Epidemic- Farmington Efforts Update

Nancy Parent, Director of Community and Recreational Services and Chris Montes, Juvenile Justice Coordinator for the Town spoke to the Council about a grant they had received from the Capitol Area Substance Abuse Council to combat opioid use disorder using the presentation recorded with these minutes as Agenda Item C-6.

D. Public Hearing

There was no public hearing held.

E. New Items

There were no new items added to the agenda.

F. Public Comments

Steve Langlois of 14 Blue Ridge Drive read into the record the letter recorded with these minutes as Agenda Item F-1 explaining why his property shouldn't be put on the blighted building list.

G. Reading of the Minutes

1. April 2, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting with the following corrections:

- Pages 5, Item J-4 change Mr. Cianci to Mr. Giannaros.

Adopted unanimously.

H. Reading of Communications and Written Appeals

1. Kathleen Eagen – Legislative Correspondence
2. Correspondence from Evan Cowles of the Farmington Cemetery Association

The Manager called the Council's attention to the correspondence in their packet.

I. Report of the Committees

1. Uconn Health Committee

There was no report for Agenda Item I-1.

2. Land Acquisition Committee

Ms. Boye-Williams reported the Committee had met the second week in April with the goal of cleaning up the properties list. Properties were removed that had been either purchased or developed since the list had been created. The updated list was to be put on the Town website for public review. The next meeting was scheduled for May 10, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

3. Green Efforts Committee

Ms. Boye-Williams reported that Farmington Cleanup Day had 160 volunteers participating and 4.2 tons of trash had been collected. The Committee was exploring ways to have the trash pick-up on an ongoing basis and was discussing their goals moving forward. The next meeting was scheduled for June 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

J. Report of the Council Chair and Liaisons

1. Chair

The Chair reported having been to the crew area on the river. She was impressed with the work being done and commended all the volunteers that had made it possible. She congratulated Bill Silva, Principal at Farmington High School for his award of High School Principal of the Year from the Connecticut Association of Schools. She reminded the public the Town Council and Board of Education were having a joint meeting on May 15, 2018 to discuss the future of the High School at the High School and two more meetings on May 22nd and May 29th to discuss the new Strategic Plan. She encouraged the public to attend the meetings to express their opinions.

2. Board of Education Liaison

Ms. Kintner reported the Board of Education had met the previous evening. The Hockey Team was honored for winning the State Championship and the summer learning opportunities had been released to the public.

3. Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Thomas reported the Chamber was investigating having a round table meeting with different Town Departments on the second Mondays of the month.

4. Economic Development Commission Liaison

Mr. Giannaros reported Jason Giulietti, Vice President of Business Development at the Connecticut Economic Resource Center would be the speaker at the May 16, 2018 Business Breakfast. He encouraged people to go to the Explore Farmington webpage to get a ticket to the event.

5. Farmington Historic District Commission

Mr. Charette reported the application for St. Patrick's Church expansion had been approved by the Commission. He thought the plan had been well thought out.

6. Housing Authority

Ms. Kintner reported they had held their annual meeting on April 25, 2018. Nancy Parent, Director of Community and Recreational Services had given a presentation on the Maple Village Management Plan. It was noted Maple Village was coming up on its 50th anniversary in 3 years and that there was a significant need for affordable/subsidized housing in the area. Their next meeting was scheduled for June 13, 2018.

7. Human Relations Commission

There was no report for Agenda Item J-7.

8. Library Board

Mr. Giannaros reported the Library had to update their policy governing patrons to include the prohibition of vaping in the library.

9. Town Plan and Zoning Liaison

Mr. Charette reported the TPZ had approved St. Patrick's Church application and were asking the Church to try to eliminate the parishioners parking on Main Street during church activities. He told the Council the TPZ would be holding a public hearing in June to change some language in the Unionville Architectural Design Review Committee code to make it the Farmington Architectural Design Review Committee and add some additional members to the Committee.

10. Unionville Historic District Commission

Mr. Giannaros reported they had completed their preliminary study report and that the Town Manager would report on it later.

11. Unionville Village Improvement Association Liaison

Ms. Boye-Williams reported UVIA had its next meeting scheduled for May 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm. They were actively seeking more volunteers and to plan which direction UVIA wanted to go next.

12. Water Pollution Control Authority

Mr. Cianci reported the Sewer Treatment Plant project was on time and on budget. They were working out some of the shared costs with Avon.

13. Other Liaisons

There were no other liaison reports.

K. Report of the Town Manager

2018 Best Place to Live

The Manager reported that Niche.com gave Farmington an A+ grade overall and an A+ public school grade. Farmington was one of only 19 communities in Connecticut to receive the highest possible grade.

Opioid Grant

The Manager remarked that Nancy Parent, Director of Community and Recreational Services had given a nice presentation on the grant the Town had received.

Hartford Business Journal

The Manager reported the Hartford Business Journal had featured Farmington's recent economic development activities in its April 30, 2018 edition. She felt the article was very positive, and she had received several compliments on it.

Memorial Day Parade

The Manager reminded the Council they would be forming up in Unionville at 8:00 am and Farmington at 10:00 am.

Unionville Historic District Preliminary Study Report

The Manager reported the report would be coming back to the Council in July as a final report and all of the owners in proposed expansion were in agreement with the expansion.

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to accept the Town Manager's Report.

Adopted unanimously

L. Appointments

1. Building Code Board of Appeals (Hammerberg) (D)
2. Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission Alternate (Markuszka) (R)

There was no action taken on Agenda Items L-1 or L-2.

3. Farmington Historic District Commission Alternate

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) that John Renehan be appointed to the Farmington Historic District Commission as an alternate member for the balance of a five-year term beginning immediately and ending September 30, 2019.

Adopted unanimously

4. North Central Regional Mental Health Board (Wienke) (R)
5. North Central Regional Mental Health Board (Parady) (U)
6. Plainville Area Cable TV Advisory Council (R)
7. Plainville Area Cable TV Advisory (Hall) (R)
8. Tourism Central Regional District (Bernier) (R)

There was no action taken on Agenda Items L-4 through L-8.

9. Greater Hartford Transit District

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) that Kathy Eagen be appointed to the Greater Hartford Transit District for a four-year term ending June 30, 2022.

Adopted unanimously

M. Old Business

There was no Old Business conducted.

N. New Business

1. To set the Property Tax Rate and Solid Waste Special Service Charge for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) that a property tax rate of 27.18 mills be levied on the net taxable Grand List of October 1, 2017 in the amount of \$3,655,376,464 to meet the appropriations of the Town of Farmington for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019,

And,

That such taxes shall be payable in equal installments on July 1, 2018 and January 1, 2019 except that property taxes as defined in Section 12-141 of the Connecticut General Statutes in an amount not in excess of one hundred dollars shall be due and payable in a single payment on July 1, 2018 as provided by Section 12-144 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and except that any tax on any motor vehicle shall be due and payable in full on July 1, 2018 as provided in Section 12-144(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes,

And,

That the Solid Waste Service Charge be set at \$235.00 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018.

Adopted unanimously

2. To approve the transfer of uncollectible property taxes to the Suspense Tax Book

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to approve the transfer of uncollectible property taxes to the Suspense Tax Book.

Adopted unanimously

3. To cancel the June 26, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting and to schedule a Special Town Council Meeting on June ____, 2018 at ____pm in the Town Hall

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to cancel the June 26, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting and to schedule a Special Town Council Meeting on June 4, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Town Hall.

Adopted unanimously

4. That the unobligated Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) balances be transferred to the accounts listed for the purpose of closing out various inactive CIP accounts and reappropriating the surplus funds to other projects.

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) that the following unobligated Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) balances be transferred to the accounts listed below for the purpose of closing out various inactive CIP accounts and reappropriating the surplus funds to other projects.

FROM: <u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	Staples House Improvements	\$ 6,772
	Senior Center Exercise Equipment	\$ 1,863
	Telephone System-Police	\$ 26,878
	Police Supervisor Vehicle	\$ 1,137
	Urban Design Study	\$ 1,476
	Plan of Conservation & Development	\$ 10,940
	Highway Dump Truck	\$ 4,652
	Road Maintenance Truck-highway	\$ 5,567
	2.5 Ton Roller	\$ 4,904
	Street Sweeper	\$ 4,523
	Roadside Mower	\$ 9,816
	Rotary Mower	\$ 8,469
	Rotary Mower-Golf Course	\$ 2,227
	Golf Course Equipment	\$ 548
	Senior Center Improvements	\$ 32,448
	TOTAL	<hr/> \$ 122,220

TO: <u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	Road Maintenance Truck-Parks	\$ 55,000
	Automated Fingerprint Machines	\$ 34,772
	Police Building Improvements	\$ 32,448
	TOTAL	\$ 122,220

5. To award Bid # 269, Maintenance and Repair of Police Vehicles to Farmington Motor Sports of Farmington, CT and Edwards Motor Service of Unionville, CT in accordance with their bid proposals dated April 12, 2018

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to award Bid #269, Maintenance and Repair of Police Vehicles to Farmington Motor Sports of Farmington, CT and Edwards Motor Service of Unionville, CT in accordance with their bid proposals dated April 12, 2018.

Adopted unanimously

6. To award Bid # 273, Large Fire Apparatus Maintenance to First Line Emergency Services of Cromwell, CT in accordance with their bid submission dated April 13, 2018

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to award Bid #273, Large Fire Apparatus Maintenance to First Line Emergency Services of Cromwell, CT in accordance with their bid submission dated April 13, 2018.

Adopted unanimously

7. To authorize the Town Manager to sign a lease rental agreement with LDI/Mohegan, LLC for the rental of 19 copiers to be used by various town departments.

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to authorize the Town Manager to sign a lease rental agreement with LDI/Mohegan, LLC for the rental of 19 copiers to be used by various town departments.

Adopted unanimously

8. To extend the contract between the Town of Farmington and Waste Material Trucking Company of Farmington, CT to provide for the curbside collection of municipal solid waste, recyclables, and bulky waste for a three year period, beginning July 1, 2018 through to June 30, 2021 and to authorize the Town Manager to sign a contract extension with WMTC

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to extend the contract between the Town of Farmington and Waste Material Trucking Company of Farmington, CT to provide for the curbside collection of municipal solid waste, recyclables, and bulky waste for a three year period, beginning July 1, 2018 through to June 30, 2021 and to authorize the Town Manager to sign a contract extension with WMTC.

Adopted unanimously

9. To take action on a Blighted Building Property

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to add the following property to the 2018 Blighted Building List:
14 Blueridge Drive.

Motion was made and seconded (Thomas/Cianci) to postpone the motion until the first regular meeting in June.

Adopted unanimously

10. To approve a resolution that is required CGS-1049 Filing with the State of Connecticut for the Farmington High School Roof project

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to approve the following resolution which is required for the SCG-1045 Filing with the State of Connecticut for the Farmington High School Roof Replacement project which is scheduled to be undertaken this summer.

Resolution

To authorize the Board of Education, or a Sub-Committee appointed by the Board, to serve as the Building Committee for the Farmington High School Roof Replacement project,

And

Resolved, that the Town Council authorizes the Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services and to accept or reject a grant for the Roof Replacement Project at Farmington High School,

And

That the Town Council authorizes the preparation of at least schematic drawings and outline specifications for the Roof Replacement Project at Farmington High School.

Adopted unanimously

11. To approve property tax refunds

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to approve the following property tax refunds:

NAME	REASON	AMOUNT
1)Monika Burger	Assessor's adjustment	\$193.35
2)Daimler Trust	Assessor's adjustment	\$685.23

3)Elizabeth Faragher	Assessor's adjustment	\$24.81
4)Brenda Forsythe	Assessor's adjustment	\$69.99
5)Diane Mello	Assessor's adjustment	\$8.92
6)Gopal Mirani	Assessor's adjustment	\$180.01
7)E. Natarajan & R. Pawar	Assessor's adjustment	\$241.91
8)Nissan Infiniti LT	Assessor's adjustment	\$56.46
9)TPCC LLC	Assessor's adjustment	\$391.68
10)M. & G. Tuttle	Assessor's adjustment	\$8.21
11)Vault Trust	Assessor's adjustment	\$97.55
	TOTAL:	\$1,958.12

Adopted unanimously

O. Executive Session

1. Collective Bargaining

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to move to Executive Session at 8:48 p.m. with the Town Council, Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager and the Finance Director present for the discussion of any matter, which would result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein described in subsection (b) of section 1-210. (9)records, reports and statements of strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining.

Adopted unanimously

The Council returned to Open Session at 10:15 p.m.

P. Adjournment

Motion was made and seconded (Charette/Giannaros) to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Adopted unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Paula B. Ray

Paula B. Ray, Clerk

Agenda Item C-5



Bicycle Friendly Farmington Accomplishments

- ❖ League of American Bicyclists
 - Bicycle Friendly Community (only 9 in CT)
 - Certified Training Instructor
- ❖ Events
 - Bike to School Day events
 - West Woods School
 - Union School
 - Bike to Work Day events – New Britain Ave
 - Explore! BFF
 - Photo Contest
 - Adopt a Trail
- ❖ Rides
 - Weekly Social
 - Metric Century
 - Adorno Festival
 - Unionville Festival
 - Batterson Park w/ Bike New Britain
 - Vintage Ride
 - Breakfast Rides
- ❖ Public Education
 - Pop-up Clinics
 - Maintenance and Repair Classes
 - Bike Safety Tips (Friday Folders)
 - Kid's Bike Rodeo (Adorno Festival)
 - Web Page / Facebook
- ❖ Member Advocacy and Learning
 - Attend Local, State and National Training Classes
 - Updated Safety Guidelines
 - Signage Recommendations



Bicycle Friendly Farmington 2018 Goals

- ❖ **Connectivity of Bike Paths to Neighborhoods, Shopping, Restaurants, and Schools**
 - Signage
 - Pop-up bike lanes
 - Sharrows
 - Unionville Center

- ❖ **Educate Community on the Rights and Responsibilities of Cyclists**
 - Town Newsletter
 - Town Website
 - Seminars
 - Friday Folders
 - School Programs
 - Amy Watkins | Watch For Me CT
 - Distribute Bike Safety Info at local fairs, group meetings, etc
 - Request Town officials and police officers to take Traffic Skills 101

- ❖ **Town & BOE Representation at Meetings**
 - Farmington Police Department
 - Board of Education
 - Parks & Recreation

- ❖ **Bike Racks at Town Facilities**

- ❖ **Application for LAB Bicycle Friendly Community Status Upgrade**

- ❖ **To further your Bicycle Knowledge**
 - Traffic Stress and Planning | Dr. Peter Furth | Northeastern University
 - Streetmix.com (design your own bike safe roads.)
 - CCROG Complete Streets
 - League of American Bicyclists
 - Bike Walk CT

TARGETING OPIOID USE DISORDER (OUD)

Presented by:

Nancy Parent

Director of Community & Recreational Services

Chris Montes

Juvenile Justice Coordinator



Intro - Targeting OUD

- \$5,000.00 Grant – Received January 2018
 - implement substance abuse programs
 - educate medical professionals
 - engage community
 - information dissemination
 - collaborate regionally
 - work with community leaders
 - adopt state campaign message/images



Farmington's Initiatives...

- Regional meetings
- Drug Take-Back Event
- “Change the Script” mailing
- Narcan Trainings / Kits
- Enhance/Continue with Prevention Programs

Events

- Narcan Training & Narcan Kits
 - Value of \$12,600.00
 - 80 Fire personnel & 13 Community Services staff



Drug Take-Back Event

- April 21, 2018
- RX collected
 - 44 lbs



- Drug Drop-Off Box at Farmington Police Station

- Accessible 24 Hours
- No appointments
- No questions



Mailing - Change the Script

- Mailing reminding all medical professionals of CMPRS
 - Report all opioid and synthetic opioid RX to State
 - Minimize over prescribing & “doctor shopping”

CHANGE
the SCRIPT

We check the CPMRS before dispensing

CT Prescription Monitoring and Reporting System (CPMRS)

In an effort to provide better patient care, our pharmacy uses the CPMRS to:

- Review patient's controlled substance history, including medical marijuana.
- Help avoid drug therapy complications.
- Improve communication with physicians to help prevent drug misuse, addiction and overdose.
- Counsel patients about the dangers of NOT taking medications as directed.

For more information, visit the Prescription Monitoring Program's website at: www.ct.gov/dcp/pmp

CHANGE the SCRIPT



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drugfreect.org

ARMINGTON VALLEY OPIOID TASKFORCE

April 12, 2018

Dear Provider,

The mission of the Armington Valley Opioid Taskforce is to reduce the number of opioid-related deaths in our community. We are currently reviewing all opioid prescriptions dispensed in our community. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths.

On behalf of the Armington Valley Opioid Taskforce, I am writing to you to inform you of our current efforts to reduce the number of opioid-related deaths in our community. We are currently reviewing all opioid prescriptions dispensed in our community. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths.

Thank you for your cooperation in this effort. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths. We are looking for any potential issues that may be causing an increase in opioid-related deaths.

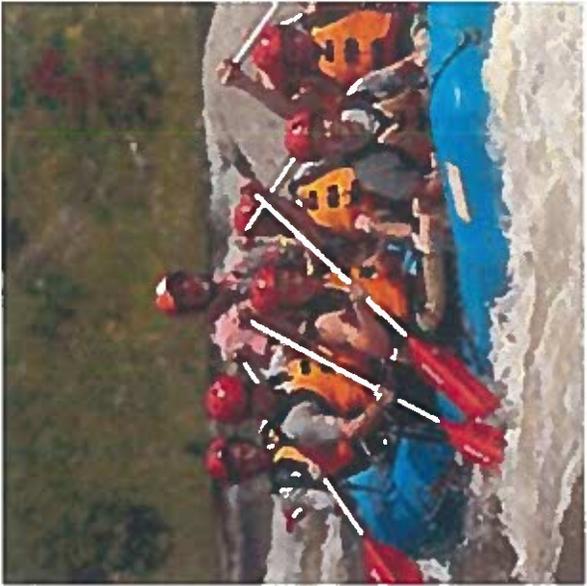
Respectfully,
 Jennifer C. Heston, MD
 Director of Health, NHF
 Years in Good Standing





Town's Prevention Efforts

- FOCUS Group/Local Prevention Council
- Teen Center
- Youth & Family Counseling
- Adventure Programming
- Intergeneration Programming
- Juvenile Justice
- “Shop with A Cop” – Funded by Reach Foundation
- Community Service Collaborations/Opportunities









Grants

- FUNCOPS
- LIST – Local Interagency Service Team
- JRB – Juvenile Review Board
- CASAC – Capital Area Substance Abuse Council
- SDE – State Dept. of Education
- SDE – Enhancement (increased counseling/support)





Agenda Item F-1

May 8, 2018

Town Council Members:

I appeared before you at the January meeting on this same issue. I was completely intimidated by this process and after listening to all that went on, and people speaking at that meeting, I just did a poor presentation of response. I hope I will do better this time, but I am not much of a public speaker, and become very self conscientious. I'll try to do better with this written down.

I received notice from Bruce Cyr in February to resubmit an updated plan of completion per your January decision. Thank you for that. On Feb. 20th I submitted a revised plan for complying with the town directive to clean up my yard.

It stated a start of March into August and beyond, to comply with the directive. It was also included in this plan that it was subject to weather conditions.

On March 28th Zoning Officer Bruce Cyr sent a letter informing me of his intent to resubmit me to the town council to put me into blighted condition again.

I called and spoke to him after receiving the letter and told him, I had spent the month packing items to keep, from outside and in the garage, into tubs for relocation. I explained that weather had kept me from doing the big cleanup outside. I told him that since the weather was breaking, I would be starting immediately.

I would like to say first, I did explain to Mr. Cyr, that the weather during the time of my Feb. 20th submittal of revised agenda and his March 28th call, consisted of four Nor'easters, two snowstorms, and five days of heavy rain, totalling to 7 inches, as reported by Channel 30 news.

I then had a dumpster delivered, and started cleanup. I hired 5 guys from work to come help me. We cleaned the yard of leaves and brush first, to enable a safe path to remove water damaged building material. We started removing some items to the dumpster. This took all day. It rained the next day, Sunday, so I had to cancel the guys coming and reschedule until the following Saturday, this past one, may 5th. The guys came this on this date, and we proceeded to completely fill the dumpster. It is only the first of probably three or four loads that have to go. I have them coming again this coming Saturday and will get dumpster emptied on Thursday for refilling.

I called Bruce Cyr on last Monday April 30th to inform him I had started the work the past Saturday. He said he would come out and inspect. He did so the next day, Tuesday May 1st and promptly sent a letter the same day to inform me he was sending it to you, for addition to this months council meeting for Blighted List again, as the work did not meet his requirements of substantial completion. This is just unreasonable. I know he is just doing his job, enforcing the rules of his job mandated by your council.

Secondly, what I paid over the two Saturdays for hired help, and my reimbursing my boss for dumpster useage, almost exactly totals my after tax take home pay for the month. And this was just two weeks effort. Continuing will cost me two months pay every two weeks. This means I won't be able to pay current bills, including mortgage, insurance and property taxes. I'll be in foreclosure if I keep up this pace. of hiring help and not just doing myself. I have had many financial setbacks in the past and do not have a large nest egg to fall back on. I try constantly to just get by, and inch my way ahead. I have never just given up and will continue to move forward. I have my goals set.

I accept that this condition is of my own doing, but would like to bring to your attention that this is mostly building material that I have been accumulating, and not just general garbage or junk that I was just too lazy to throw away. Sadly a lot became water damaged, I am losing over twenty thousand dollars of building items and material.

All to enable adding a second floor onto the house, to improve my property. This to give me a nice home to retire in, and fixing a home that was never originally built right. An added benefit is it will probably double my value, and double my taxes to the town. With the loss of this material, I now have come to the realization that I will have to scale the scope of size of my work to a more doable scope. Still I am determined to add and complete as much as I can to improve it. I just want to live in a nice home.

I am asking that I not be penalized for my intentions, and that I not be put into Blighted Condition, and fined a hundred dollars a day. Again that will just cost me another month of take home pay every month, on top of the loss every month of paying to clean up. On top of just earning enough to meet current month bills. It will just result in putting me out of the house and losing it. Or I can quit my job and devote all my time to comply. This won't benefit anyone. It will just create undue hardship for me. I will have to borrow to keep up as it is now, to pay for cleanup and replace material that is necessary for my reduced scope.

I ask to remind you all, that the party I believe was responsible for the initial complaint, finally fixed the problems on the house they were trying to sell, at a price that was not in line with comparable values. They then sold for their asking price. They blamed my house on their lack of sale, but after doing their repairs, promptly sold it at asking price even with my house in the same condition. I am not aware from Bruce Cyr, of any additional complaints. I believe he is just completing due diligence on the original complaint. I believe that the urge for immediate action could be relaxed, and allow me time to comply with your will. I am not trying to be either adversarial or disrespectful. I am asking that you allow me the opportunity to complete both your wishes, and mine. I am honestly trying to comply.

Not to say that this excuses me. I caused this problem, and accept my need to clean up my property. I would just ask for reasonable time to do this without adding cost that will only result in me losing my house. I also ask for give and take on some items of removal. I need to keep some good building material on site to start the construction side. I was asked if I could move all of it offsite. That's not logical. Giving me constant unreasonable deadlines, just further complicates my life, and causes me unneeded stress. I do not need a stick over my head. I get it. I await your decision.

Thank you,

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