

Town of South Windsor

Town Manager's Report May 2018

Matthew B. Galligan
Town Manager



The Town Manager's Report will be given verbally at the May 7 Town Council meeting.

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Police Department

Timothy M. Edwards
Chief of Police

Monthly Statistics for April 2018:

Total Computer Aided Dispatch Entries	2363
9-1-1 Calls Received	614
Routine Calls Received/Outgoing	3997
Directed Patrol/Premise Checks	639
Motor Vehicle Stops	616
Medical Assists/Emot.Dist. Persons	226
Suspicious	77
Alarms	85
Motor Vehicle Accidents	32
Welfare Check	20
Assist Outside Agency	33
Animal Problem	37
Citizen Assist	26
Miscellaneous Service	17
Collision Reports	13
BOLO	11
Disabled Motor Vehicle	21
Larceny	18
Hazardous Conditions	17
Pistol Permits	12
Burglary	6
Civil Matter	9
911 Check	6
Fraud	8
Domestic Dispute	14
Narcotics Violation	4
Violation of Town Ordinance	5
Youth Problem	9
Sexual Assault	0

Open House at Headquarters Saturday, May 19th:

As part of the Police Department's 50th Anniversary, we will be hosting an Open House on Saturday, May 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be police vehicles, a vintage fire truck, and an ambulance to view. Staff members will be explaining the

equipment and tours of our building will be available as well.

On April 21st the Police Department hosted a 5K Road Race "The 5 Decade Dash 5K" at Nevers Park which brought about 100 participant to town and to show their support.

Medication Disposal Day:

Each year we participate in a statewide initiative to collect unneeded medications. The Police Department hosts the collection and people drive up, hand off the unwanted meds to officers and volunteers, and leave. We had 113 vehicles drive through our collection point on Saturday, April 28th and we collected 20 boxes (664 pounds) of unwanted medications. Thanks to all our volunteers for their help in this important disposal program. By getting medication out of homes we aim to prevent accidental ingestion by kids, the abuse of medication by others, and to dispose of the drugs in an environmentally friendly way. Thank you South Windsor!!

South Windsor makes #100 in America's Safest Cities:

A national survey by www.Safewise.com recognized South Windsor as #100 safest city in America. We join 4 other Connecticut towns in the top 100 (Darien, Ridgefield, Newtown, and Cheshire). We are proud to have made the list -our citizens are helping by locking cars, reporting suspicious incidents and being observant - it's a Team Effort!

April was Distracted Driving Awareness

Month:

South Windsor PD teamed up with the Connecticut Department of Transportation during the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA's) National Distracted Driving Awareness month to make sure all motorists kept their eyes on the road and their hands on the wheel.

Our officers conducted checkpoints and traffic stops to identify and cite motorists who were texting and driving or talking on their phones. The aim of this enforcement is to reduce crashes due to distracted driving. According to the NHTSA, 3,450 people were killed in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers in 2016.

Public Works Department

Michael J. Gantick
Director of Public Works

Street Services

Town crews responded to one unexpected winter weather event during the month of April, bringing the total to 21 storms for the 2017-2018 season. Hopefully Ole Man Winter has left the area. Overall the 2017-2018 winter season was challenging. This seemed to be somewhat of an atypical season with smaller storms, more icing events and longer duration storms than usual.

Street sweeping began April 9th starting with the BOE buildings (taking advantage of the spring recess) followed by all town buildings and lots. Street sweeping should be completed within a month depending on weather conditions.

At the request of South Windsor Police, our crew laid out and completed the installation of protective barriers at the Vibert Rd boat launch. The barriers will restrict vehicle access beyond the parking area. These barriers eliminate the possibility of a vehicle accidentally driving into the Connecticut River. Similar barriers had been in place but succumbed to old age and vandalism. The department was mindful of the scenic beauty of the river and installed barriers using, for the most part, natural materials. The superintendent worked closely with local residents and property owners in the area to develop a suitable plan to maintain a pristine natural environment.

The department began a project to repair

failing catch basins and tops on Avery St in preparation for upcoming road re-surfacing from Talcott Ridge Rd to Dart Hill Rd.

All the plows and salt spreaders were washed, treated with salt neutralizer and stored for the season. We are hopeful that this is a true statement.

Crews are out repairing curb damage from the winter storms as well as lawn damage. The weather has been less than cooperative for those activities but we are maximizing our efforts when conditions permit.

Our catch basin cleaning contractor completed cleaning approximately 2000 catch basins town wide. Overseen by one of our maintainers, we were able to do assessments of these structures and are developing a plan to facilitate repairs.

The sign shop continues to focus on replacing signs that have exceeded usefulness. There are several vehicles in the town fleet that also need graphics work done. This work is also being scheduled. We strive to keep the sign shop staffed 100% of the time, but other ancillary duties require us to use the sign shop maintainer to address those issues.

The Public Works department is making plans for Public Works Week, May 20-26, 2018. As part of this weeklong event, we will be hosting elementary students at the Town Garage offering them a look at the work our crews do

and seeing equipment up close. In addition to that, we are conducting a Fill a Public Works Truck food drive on May 26, 2018 from 10am-2pm at Geissler's Supermarket on Sullivan Ave. Come on down and visit us. All donations will benefit the South Windsor Food and Fuel Bank.



Scott Yeomans
Associate Manager

Refuse & Recycling

The Town of South Windsor is a member town of the Capitol Region East Operating Committee (CREOC). The next household hazardous waste collection will be held on Saturday, May 5th in Manchester at 321 Olcott Street from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Acceptable items include paints, aerosols, fertilizers and cleaning products among other items.

CREOC also participates in the CT PaintCare recycling program. Residents can now avoid the HHW lines and use PaintCare. There are area retailers who will accept OIL and LATEX paint of any brand at their store locations, for free, year round. Visit <http://paintcare.org> to locate the closest participating retailer.

The next electronics recycling event will be held Saturday, May 5th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm at Town Hall, rear parking lot. This

program is free of charge and the event staff will unload the electronics from your vehicle. Acceptable items include telephones, computers, laptops, printers, stereos, televisions microwaves, DVD players, etc.

For more information on our refuse and recycling programs please visit the Town of South Windsor's website at www.southwindsor.org.

Ether Diaz
Administrative Secretary/Contract
Compliance Administrator

WPCA

We are proud to announce that Jacob Plona has been recognized with the Richard Boudreault Public Works Award for his exemplary efforts in helping advance our departments GIS technology, maintaining the sewer collection system and overall positive, forward thinking attitude. Jacob is a true asset to our department and we commend him for his achievement!

The Water Pollution Control Authority is in working with Distinctive Tree Care on the Easement Vegetation Management project. Distinctive Tree has completed the land clearing portion of Area 3 which involves the removal of trees and brush in the sanitary sewer easements. They have crews revisiting these easements to complete the stump grinding and lawn restoration. In the coming weeks they are scheduled to begin their contractual maintenance work in the easements of Area 1 and Area 2. Thus far the project remains ahead of schedule and is set to be complete by the end of June.

The WPCA is looking forward at future capital projects. The towns' collection system is 60-70 years old and is beginning to show signs of its age. We have been identifying areas that will need to be rehabilitated and have developed at timeline of projects. For the next fiscal year we are planning to increase the flow capacity of the Sullivan Avenue siphon which crosses under the Podunk River. The current size of the siphon is reaching its flow capacity and will begin restricting further development upstream.

The WPC is again planning to co-host, with the Streets Department, a tour of our facilities during Public Works Week. Last year we hosted 80 students who received a tour of our laboratory, used the microscope to view our microbiology, viewed equipment and observed a sewer camera demonstration. The feedback from both the students and our staff was overwhelmingly positive and we are looking forward to co-hosting the event again this year.

Tony Manfre
Superintendent of Pollution Control

Information Technology

Scott Roberts
Assistant Town Manager/CIO

Information Technology Awards

The IT department is proud to say that we have received the Digital Edge 50 Award. In the near future it will be on display in the Caucus room in Town Hall. In addition, Scott Roberts has been named one of Hartford Business Journal's 2018 C-Suite Award Winners. He will be recognized for his role as South Windsor's CIO at the June awards ceremony.

GIS Jumpstart

We recently worked with GIS Inc. out of Alabama to come on site to collaborate on a GIS Jumpstart Program which assisted in our migration to the newest ESRI software platform. Under its newest platform, 5 new servers were created to support the newest GIS functions which allows access to South Windsor's GIS data online using ESRI ArcGIS Portal. Using ESRI's WebApp Builder, we will be able to host an abundance of our data both to the public and internally for updating assets in the field. Updating our server setup has also allowed for better access and organization of our GIS data which will help in broadening our GIS abilities!

Human Services Department

Andrea Cofrancesco
Director of Human Services



Adult and Senior Services Volunteer Recognition

Thank you to Mayor Anwar, Deputy Mayor Paterna and Councilor Glickman for attending our annual Volunteer Recognition. Over 100 volunteers representing many programs within Human Services were in attendance to enjoy a breakfast and recognition from staff. We could not offer the vast number of programs without the over 250 dedicated volunteers serving South Windsor residents.

FITNESS CENTER UPDATE

Exercise equipment is IN and we are spreading the word to South Windsor residents age 55 and over. For the nominal fee of just \$75 per year (or \$10 per month), residents can exercise with our brand-new, state of the art equipment purchased with funds from the South Windsor Community Foundation, the Max Challenge, and others. Total Fitness, the South Windsor business we purchased the items from, also donated the weight bench, a value of almost \$600. Our



Open House is scheduled for Thursday, June 7 from 11-2 and 5-7. Volunteers are needed to man the fitness center in two hour shifts; no knowledge of equipment is needed. Inquire at the Senior Center at 860-648-6361 ext. 339 and speak to Susan!

Property Tax Relief Ends May 15

Elderly and disabled homeowners who qualify can apply for reduced property taxes on their homes. Filing period ends **May 15, 2018**. For more information call 860-648-6361.

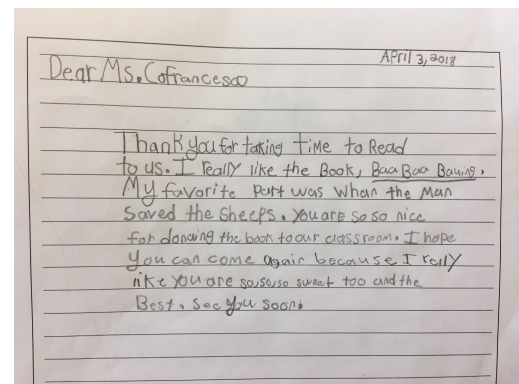
Record Number of Income Tax Returns

Volunteers with the AARP Tax Aid Program filed 304 returns this year! That is a record number, up from 244 the previous year! Volunteers are trained and provide this service for low to moderate income level individuals and families.

Baking for Homebound Seniors

For the 6th year in a row, volunteers delivered homebaked goodies to homebound seniors and persons with disabilities in celebration of spring. New this year, trays were also

delivered to the Police Department for all their hard work serving the community. The Community Service Group volunteers are a group of dedicated people who do good deeds for the community.



Reading in the Schools

Volunteers, including members of our Senior Advisory Council, read to Eli Terry, the last school for the 2017-2018 school year. The students loved the books and the seniors enjoyed reading to the students. Thoughtful thank you notes were sent to the readers. This fun, rewarding and worthwhile project just finished its 7th year. Daria Plummer, Chair of the Senior Advisory Council and retired teacher, is already picking out the books for next school year!

Savers Collection

The Community Service Group held a collection of clothing and household goods, raising \$735 to benefit the many projects of their group. We could not have done it without the help of volunteers in the teen center! They also helped us stock the food bank!



Triad Collects 664 pounds of Drugs!

A total of 600 pounds of drugs was collected at our most recent Drug Take Back Day, totaling over 7,000 pounds collected in sixteen (16) days since September 2010 when this program was created. That's a lot of

unwanted medications disposed of properly, thereby keeping them out of our water and out of the hands of children and grandchildren!



Andrea Cofrancesco
Director of Human Services



Youth and Family Services

Back by popular demand for April vacation was the two day, "Girls Care" program for girls in 4th and 5th grade. Director, Liz Langevin and School Outreach Coordinator, Kathy Reed spend two vacation days working with a group of girls, with a focus on fostering a healthy sense of self, building connections and strengthening friendships.

We held the 14th annual Grandparent & Grandchild Pancake Breakfast & Bingo. 78 people came for pancakes, sausage and fruit prepared by the Youth & Family Services staff and volunteers. All proceeds from the breakfast went to the Youth & Family Services "CARE" Fund which benefits families in need of assistance with educational supports. Thank you to the Teen Center Youth Council for volunteering their time and spending the morning with us!

Teen Center

April was National Volunteer Month which meant our Teen Center Youth Council volunteer group has been busy planning and participating in both new and recurring events! At the end of March, our high school group enjoyed teaming up with the Parks and Recreation Department and helped out at the Annual Imperial Egg Hunt. Youth Volunteers helped collect the donations for the SW Food Bank and sold refreshments to help raise money for the teen center as well as for making a donation to a local charity of their choice. The teens have been learning more about family hardship in the local areas and having conversations about ways to give back and help those in need.

Middle School Night on Friday evenings continues to bring in new members even this late in the school year! Each Friday night there is a theme where youth can get involved with group games or challenges such as "Tournaments and Trivia" Night or Earth Day activities that were planned in April. As the nicer weather approaches and the days get longer, there will also be some time for outdoor games like jump rope, kickball and Yard Jenga!





Parent Education and Support



April is National Child Abuse Awareness Month! Throughout

April, South Windsor Youth and Family Services and our community came together to spread awareness and make our community a stronger and better place for our children to live. Various activities were offered throughout the month of April to spread awareness for child abuse prevention. All programs were free and open to the entire community!

On **April 2nd** we hosted an Ice Cream Social and pinwheel planting at the South Windsor Community Center to kick off the month. You may ask, what do the pinwheels stand for? Pinwheels are the national symbol for the great childhoods all children deserve because



our children are our future. We celebrate the lives that we all touch by honoring children with a pinwheel.



On **April 19th** we asked that the community participate in Tie One on Day. Town employees wore a silly tie or the color blue to raise awareness for child abuse prevention. Did you see how great the guys in Public Works looked? Check out their picture below!



On **April 26th** Youth and Family Services, Parent Educator, Kelly McKenney and South Windsor Police Department, Youth Investigator, Peggy Clouser held a community discussion on how to protect our children from hidden dangers in our communities and prevent our children from falling victim to predators.

During the month of April we had about **80 families** participate in the Monday Morning Playgroup. We also welcomed two new Grandparents to our monthly Relatives Raising Children Support Group.

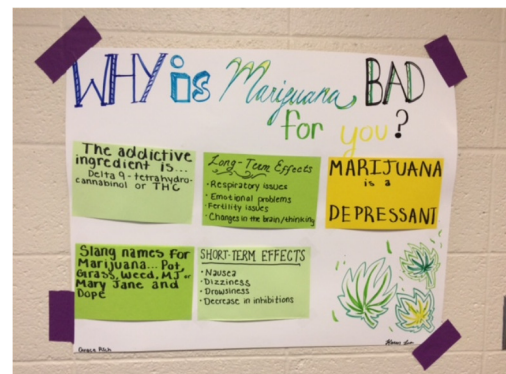
School Outreach & Prevention

April was a very busy month for prevention! The Mentor Breakfast was held on Thursday, April 19th at TEMS. Mentors, their students and their families were invited to share a meal together prior to the start of the school day. 4 mentees took the opportunity to speak about how their mentors have had such positive impacts on their lives. The students expressed their gratitude for the adults who spend quality time with them each week. It was a wonderful morning for all!

We also celebrated 6th Grade Healthy Living Week in April. Peer Mediators made a variety of posters (see Marijuana poster) to educate their peers about topics such as smoking, vaping, nutrition, exercise and social media. High school students involved in SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) visited TEMS and spent a morning talking with students about the dangers of smoking and vaping. They played a trivia game and had lots of fun! We also had our first ever 6th Grade Healthy Living Fest (3 photos) and it was a great success. Students spent an afternoon playing games, making slime, playing corn hole with the SRO's, learning healthy ways to relief stress and just having fun with friends.

Finally, S.W. Youth and Family Services hosted a parent education night on Friday, April 27th. The program was held during the TEMS dance. Dr. Potee gave a presentation

about how to talk with kids about smoking, vaping and drug use while their brain is still developing. She discussed ways to talk with your kids and what they need to know so that they can make smart decisions during this critical phase of development. Officer Roy and Officer White also gave great information about vaping and e-cigarettes so that parents know what to look out for in their own home. We appreciate the support from the SW Police Department and enjoy our collaborative relationship.



Youth Counseling

Both Counselors, Robin Lagasse and Nikki Lengyel are actively providing counseling services at the community center and South Windsor schools. They are both currently facilitating groups for youth as well.

Some great upcoming programs and events, please check out our Facebook page!

**[https://www.facebook.com/
SWYouthFamily](https://www.facebook.com/SWYouthFamily)**

**or call Liz at 860-648-6361 x331 for
more information**

Liz Langevin, LMSW



Parks & Recreation Department

Raymond Favreau
Director of Parks & Recreation

“Discover the Benefits!”

John Caldwell, Jr.
Superintendent of Parks

Keri Apt
Asst. Director of Parks &
Recreation

MONTHLY REPORT - May 7, 2018

Park & Recreation Commission (PARC)

– The next PARC meeting is Wednesday, May 9th at 7:30pm now in their new location in Room 14 at Wapping School, 91 Ayers Road.

The South Windsor Walk & Wheel Ways (SWW&WW) sub-committee meets next on Wed., May 2nd at Wapping, Room 54.

The South Windsor FOOD Alliance (SWFA) – No report at this time. Go to www.swfood.org for more details.

Like us on Facebook - We reached the 2,194 “likes” and followed by 2,243.

URGENT LEGISLATIVE ALERT – Raised Bill No. 5388 “An Act Concerning a Fair Minimum Wage” introduced by the Labor and Public Employee Committee is headed to the General Assembly for a vote sometime between 5/2 and 5/7. The bill proposes a three-year phase-in as follows: \$12/hr. effective Jan. 1, 2019 ; \$13.50/hr. effective Jan. 1, 2020 ; \$15/hr. effective Jan. 1, 2021. I have supplied written testimony and contacted our legislators (Larson, Delnicki and Currey) expressing my professional opposition to the bill and the detrimental financial

impact it will have on our operation. Our professional organization, CT Recreation & Parks Association is likewise strongly opposing. Complying with a \$15/hr. minimum wage will require an estimated \$500,000 increase in our annual payroll cost to supply our current programs and services! This enormous upsurge will require us to pass this added cost of doing business on to our customers through substantially increased user fees.

Special Invitation to Councilors – SAVE THE DATES: Sat., May 5th stop by Paws in the Park, presented by the SW Jaycees from 9:30am to 3:30pm at Sat., for the first time at the new SW Fairgrounds (formerly Barton Property) on Brookfield Street. **Sat., May 12th visit our first-ever Trailblazer Poker Ryed** (mis-spelling intended!) on the new mountain bike trails at Rye Street Park from 9-11am. **Sat., May 19th enjoy the annual Armed Forces Day Picnic in the Park** at Nevers Park starting at 4:30pm and ending with a fireworks display launched from Porter’s Hill. **Sun., May 20th our annual Trails for Charities Day** at Nevers Park where we provide the site and logistics and local non-profits provide their staff and participants to

raise funds for their cause! **Sat., May 26th** join us for **Opening Day at Veterans Memorial Park**. As always, we offer all members of the Town Council an open invitation to visit any of our 400+ recreation programs or park facilities throughout the year. Please give us a call and we will even escort you!

RECREATION DIVISION

“Feel great – recreate!”

4th R Before & After School Program – May enrollment across the four elementary schools is at 140 morning participants, 244 afternoon participants and 38 kids accommodated on Early Release Wednesdays to support the BOE professional development program.

PRS is ending their school year two days earlier than others to prepare for their temporary move to the old OH while their new school is under construction. We will offer a full-day program on June 19 & 20 at Wapping free of charge for all those currently enrolled in the 4th R and as an added convenience opened as a vacation day to all other families at PRS not enrolled in the 4th R that may need coverage. The cost for those will be our standard \$55/child/day.

The 47th Annual Egg Hunt proudly sponsored by Imperial Oil & Plumbing on Friday, March 30th at the SWHS stadium from 9am to 12pm was another massive success with an estimated 5,000 people invading the SWHS stadium between the hours of 9am and 11:30am! Approximately 2,500 kids collect 30,000 plastic eggs in record time!

34th Annual Fishing Derby was held on

Saturday, April 21 from 9am to 1pm at the former Dzen Pond property, and now a new undeveloped town-owned park, on Barber Hill Road. The event was co-sponsored by the S.W. Super Sixties Club with over 200 youth and senior anglers casting their lines attempting to snag 150 trout stocked just days before the event.

Moms and Son(s) Dodgeball Night, our first-ever such event, was held on Friday, April 27th from 7 to 9pm at Wapping, and was wildly successful! 45 moms and sons enrolled to participate in the dodge ball “battle” that brought more laughter, high fives, fist bumps and sweat that just had to be seen to be believe and left them all wanting a repeat next year! Kudos to Cheryl Gerber, Recreation Supervisor for delivering her great idea!

Wapping Re-Purposing – We are making good progress with Phase II. Room 33 has been painted, damaged ceiling tiles were replaced and it now sports a brand new vinyl tile floor. It can now be utilized as a prime rental space for small private parties! Architectural plans and cost estimates are in the works for remodeling the Cafeteria to a Banquet facility. We are utilizing CRCOG’s procurement program administered by the Gordian Group and expect some final numbers by the end of the week. We hope to get this anticipated 6-8 week project approved and started by the end of summer so we can begin booking functions for the Fall. Phase III calls for expanding parking. Our new home with expanded space availability is proving to be a true blessing as we are able to accommodate all room request from local civic organizations thus far and we are now able to expand program offerings and special

events like the recent Father./Daughter Dance, Mom and Son Dodgeball Night, and Youth Basketball Coaches.

PARKS DIVISION
***“Caring for South Windsor’s
Growing Needs”***

April Activity Highlights:

- Athletic Fields & Grounds:
 - o Despite weather delay of nearly 4 weeks (old man winter just refused to go away!) the crew managed to complete all field renovations for spring season play. I could not be more proud of the crews’ herculean efforts to get it done! Kudos guys, kudos!!
 - o Completed the fabrication and installation of a new sign for the Building at the Little League Complex.
 - o Repaired and painted a re-purposed steel lock-box to be placed at the Wapping Tennis courts for use by our Tennis Instructor for more efficient storage of lesson supplies directly on site.
 - o Weather and conditions permitting we are still working on final “Spring Clean-up” of public grounds.
 - o Began planting annuals at landscape beds at town buildings.
- Parks & Open Space:
 - o Completed “Spring Clean-up” of public parks.
 - o Prepared Dzen Pond on Barber Hill Road for the annual Fishing Derby on April 21 – mowed banks of pond for ease in access, deployed picnic tables, gas grill and trash receptacles to site.
 - o Prepared Rye Street Park for the annual Bobcat Blast Boys Lacrosse Tournament the weekend of April 21 & 22. This entailed marking out and lining 6 lacrosse fields, pitching one of our large tents, clearing all remnant leaves form the property, mowing and then breaking all of this down to return the park to shared use by the soccer club, adult softball and youth boys lacrosse.
 - o Prepared Nevers Park for the annual Girls Lacrosse Tournament on Sat., April 27. This included marking out and lining 4 lacrosse fields, pitching one of our large tents, clearing all remnant leaves form the property, mowing and then breaking all of this down to return the park to shared use by the soccer club, high school and youth girls lacrosse.
 - o Prepared the Little League Complex for their annual Opening Day Event on Sat., April 27, including manicuring all infields, pitching one of our large tents, clearing all remnant leaves form the property, hanging new sign on the building, mowing and then breaking all of this down to return the complex to shared use by the Little League and high school girls softball program.
 - o Continued work on some improvements to the Mountain Bike trails at Rye Street Park in preparation for a brand new special event there on Sat., May 12th – our first-ever Poker Ryed.
 - o Continued clearing overgrowth of invasives, dead wood & diseased trees at the Priest property and Lawrence Road Park.
 - o Worked closely with Pollution Control

staff to prepare the pools at VMP for the upcoming swim season – removing covers, vacuuming pools, making numerous mechanical repairs in the filter building and, clearing all remnant leaves from the property.

- o Finished refurbishing park picnic tables, and began re-deployment.
- o Worked closely with DPW Building Maintenance Dept. to get all park buildings de-winterized and ready for use.
- o Plowed, staked out plots and delivered compost at the Avery Community Gardens.
- o Repairs made to observation decks at the Donnelley Preserve.
- Projects:
 - o Began taking photos of our open space properties for better cataloging and identification.
 - o Created designated and organized storage at our Edwin Road rental facility for crumbling foundation core samples for safe keeping while families apply for state aid. Crew erected commercial grade shelving donated to us by Burnham Farms.
 - o Continued the process of replacing two gateway “Welcome” signs on Rt. 5.
- Other:
 - o John Caldwell has successfully orchestrated a regional tree demonstration conducted by our tree contractor Distinctive Trees on May 3rd. In exchange for hosting the event to demonstrate their brand new equipment

and techniques for more efficient tree removal we receive free removal of nearly two dozen dead, diseased or hazardous trees from the Priest Property – a value of over \$12,000 in service and accomplishes continued site improvements in support of the SW Agriculture, Arts and Nature committee’s vision.

- o HazMat abatement and demo of the old farm house at the former Jones Property and now town-owned open space has been scheduled for May and June. The Police and Fire Departments will utilize the structure for some training exercises beforehand.
- o Completed transitioning from winter equipment to spring/summer equipment servicing mowers, weed-wackers, ballfield scarifiers, etc in time for preparation of the seasonal demands.
- o Transported portable basketball goals used for our Mighty Mite Hoop program from Eli Terry to storage on Edwin Road.



In-house re-designed and fabricated gateway welcome to South Windsor sign on Sullivan Ave. to replace the original one damaged beyond repair in a vehicle accident. We will be looking to refresh the other two in town in the near future.



April vacation camp was a super success with approximately 80 kids attending each day. They Enjoyed activities such as a visit from the Manchester K-9 unit, the moon bounce, a sport theme day, and field trips to the Forest Park Zoo as well as a picnic at Wickham Park.



The 4th "R" Staff competed in their 4th and final "staff games" at the end of April with a dodgeball tournament. Eli Terry was the victorious site! Attached is a picture of the action, as well as two staff members showing off their team spirit!

May 2018 Town Council Meetings and Events

Meetings

Monday, May 7, 2018

7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Set Board of Education Budget

Set General Government Budget

Set Mill Rate

Appoint Rate Maker

Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Deadline for Adoption of Board of Education Budget

Monday, May 21, 2018

7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Council Chambers

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

Deadline for Adoption of General Government Budget

Holidays

Monday, May 28, 2018

Town Offices Will Be Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

Layout by Ashley Booth, Executive Assistant



NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

MAY 20 - 26, 2018

***National Public Works Week** is an opportunity to come together as a community to raise awareness of the Public Works Department's operations, highlight ways residents can help out their local community, and collect food and household provisions for local community food banks.*

Each year, the Town of South Windsor participates in this event by coordinating the following:

- Organizing a week long food drive with multiple drop off stations
- Hosting K-2 students from one of the elementary schools at 2 of our buildings for a field trip
- Talking with residents (of all ages!) about how they can help out in their community



HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE

1

Start collecting non-perishable goods

2

Drop off items in a collection box in the lobby of the Town buildings any day between May 21 - 25, 2018

3

Stop by Giessler's (965 Sullivan Ave.) on May 26, 2018 from 10am - 2pm to meet our crew and donate goods

4

Follow our "Town of South Windsor Public Works" Facebook page for more information on additional drop-off locations/dates