

WEEKLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Jeff Bridges, Town Manager

October 28, 2016

TOWN MANAGER:



Metropolitan District (MDC) Payment Center Has Moved!

The MDC no longer accepts in-person payments at 555 Main Street, Hartford. All in-person payments are only accepted at the Customer Service Department at *60 Murphy Road, Hartford*. City bus service is available to and from the new location. Payment drop boxes will continue to be available at both the 555 Main Street, Hartford and 60 Murphy Road, Hartford locations. The MDC Customer Service office can be reached at:

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Phone: 860-278-7850, press 2
Email: customerservice@themdc.com

High School Renovation Project

Pictures of the Wethersfield High School renovation can be found on the Board of Education's website (www.wethersfield.k12.ct.us). To access, click on **Wethersfield High School Renovation Project**, then click on **School Construction**. This link will bring you to the Renovation Facebook page.

Prescription Discount Cards

PROACT mailed the CCM / Town of Wethersfield Prescription Drug discount card to all residents of the Town. Information regarding this program and prescription cards are available at Town Hall.

A. UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Saturday, October 29, 2016 10:00 am – 12:00 pm:** “**Community Walk**”. Central Connecticut Health District and the Rocky Hill Historical Society invite residents of Berlin, Newington, Rocky Hill and Wethersfield to walk historic Center Cemetery in Rocky Hill, CT. Level of difficulty is easy with some uneven surfaces and hills. Meet at Center Cemetery main entrance. For more information: www.ccthd.org or www.RHhistory.org.
- **Saturday, October 29, 2016 12:00 – 2:00 pm:** “**Wethersfield Spooktacular Trunk-or-Treat**”. Trunk or treat is a fun, safe, interactive Halloween event with people gathering in the William J. Pitkin Community Center parking lot, decorating the trunks of their car and children are able to trick or treat by going from trunk to trunk. Pre-registration for a parking space is required and can be done by calling the Community Center office at 860-721-2950. Prized will be awarded to families for the best decorated trunks. Halloween stories, a craft and a dance party will be hosted by the Wethersfield Library. There will be an inflatable slide, face painting and more. For more information, please go to: <http://www.wethersfieldct.com/content/398/422/default.aspx>
- **Sunday, October 30, 2016 9:00 am:** “**Jamie’s Run Fundraiser**”. This 7th annual event supports Connecticut Children’s Medical Center. This is a 5K Road Race, Charity Walk and Kids K Fun Run. The event also includes live music, DJ, inflatables, beverages and donuts. For more information and registration see www.jamiesrun.org.
- **Thursday, November 3, 2016 5:30 – 9:00 pm:** “**BBQ and Beer**.” Enjoy a great fall evening out at the Webb Barn. Wear your flannel shirt and boots! Food provided by Black Eyed Sally’s and Max Bibo. \$35 per person. Go to www.wethersfieldchamber.com for more information.
- **Saturday, November 5, 2016 10:00 am – 4:00 pm and Sunday, November 6, 2016 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm:** “**Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale**.” This annual event will take place at the Wethersfield Library. There is a Preview Night on Thursday, November 3, 2016 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm with the preview admission being \$5.00. There will be a large selection of adult and children’s books. Sunday features “Buy a Bag for \$5.00 and Fill It!”

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- **Saturday, November 19, 2016 10:00 am – 4:00 pm:** “16th Annual Wethersfield Antiques Show”: The show will feature verbal appraisals as well as many returning and some new dealers. Location is Pitkin Community Center. For more information please contact Wethersfield Historical Society at 860-529-7656 or at www.wethersfieldhistory.org.
- **Friday, November 18, 2016 7:00 am – 11:00 am:** “Tip-A-Cop”: Officers with the Wethersfield Police Department host this event to benefit Special Olympics Connecticut at Chips Family Restaurant. Officers will assist staff in taking orders and serving meals to restaurant patrons. All tips will go to Special Olympics Connecticut.

B. COUNCIL AND BOARD/COMMITTEE DATES:

- **Design Review Board:** Wednesday, November 2, 2016 6:30 pm

C. LIAISON MEETINGS:

- **Economic Development & Improvement Commission:** Monday, October 31, 2016 Councilor Spinella
- **Planning & Zoning Commission:** Tuesday, November 1, 2016 Councilor Martino
- **Youth Advisory Board:** Thursday, November 24, 2016 Councilor Spinella

D. DEPARTMENT/DIVISION NEWS:

HUMAN RESOURCES:

The Town is accepting applications for the positions of:

Post Certified Police Officer – This recruitment will *close November 16, 2016*

You may now subscribe to e-notification to receive email notices of job postings. Go to wethersfieldct.com/human-resources/ and click on “Sign up to receive job postings”.

LIBRARY

- Check the library website for upcoming events and resources www.wethersfieldlibrary.org.

PARKS & RECREATION:

- The Senior Center, Computer Learning Center and Parks & Recreation Department's registration procedures have been merged. On-line registration may be completed at www.wethersfieldct.gov.

SOCIAL & YOUTH SERVICES:

- **Energy Assistance Program:** The Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) is now open around the State. The program is designed to help off-set the winter heating costs of lower income households, especially those incomes that fall at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines; as well as households with elderly, disabled and/or children under the age of 6 with incomes between 150% and 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. Guidelines (based on the 2016 year): Family of 1 - \$33,132.22; Family of 2 - \$43,326.74 and Family of 3 - \$53,521.27. Wethersfield residents that are Renters may have \$12,000.00 or less in liquid assets and Homeowners may have \$15,000.00 or less in liquid assets. Wethersfield residents that fall within the guidelines may make an appointment with Social and Youth Services Department by calling (860) 721-2977. All applications are completed by appointment only.
- **Weekend Youth Meal Program:** If you have children in your home and are experiencing some financial hardship please contact Social & Youth Services about our new Weekend Youth Meal Program. A caregiver would be responsible for picking up a bag of food every Thursday or Friday. These bags would be filled with breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks for the kids to eat on the weekends.

E. PROJECT UPDATES:

ENGINEERING

- **Wolcott Hill Road Safety Improvements:** The Town plans to implement traffic calming measures along Wolcott Hill Road from Marmor Ct to Coleman Rd that will include installation of shoulder lines and new concrete sidewalk ramps, painted crosswalk and associated signage at the north corner of the Clearfield Rd intersection. The Town anticipates this work will be completed by the Town's sidewalk and line striping contractors this fall.
- **State St, Hartford Ave & Nott St Safety Improvements:** The Town plans to implement traffic calming measures near this intersection that will include enlarging the existing island and planting grass,

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installation of new concrete sidewalks and ramps, crosswalks, line striping and associated signage. The Town anticipates the work will be completed this fall by the Town's sidewalk and line striping contractors.

- **Highland St, Two Rod Hwy & Hang Dog Lane Safety Improvements:** The Town anticipates installation of new sidewalk ramps and crosswalks at this intersection will be completed this fall by the Town's sidewalk and line striping contractors.
- **Pavement Marking Program:** Restriping of stop bars and crosswalks throughout Town has commenced.
- **Wilkus Farm Parking Lots:** Town staff is in the process of constructing three gravel parking areas that will be located off Willow Street, Goff Road and Thornbush Road.
- **LED Streetlights:** Staff has interviewed three firms for light purchase and LED conversion and is in the process of making a selection.
- **Reservoir Estates Subdivision:** Contractor has begun installation of sanitary sewer, water distribution and drainage system improvements within Phase 1 construction limits.

PHYSICAL SERVICES

The residential leaf collection program begins on October 31, 2016. The schedule of collection dates can be found on the Town website and on public bulletin boards in Town buildings.

Trees:

- Cleared trees from Griswold Road bike path entrance at Mill Woods.
- Shade Tree Commission approved white pine removal due to significant basal decay.
- Prune sugar maple at/near 122 Griswold Road and bike path to reduce risk of branch failure.
- Remove saplings to reduce vegetative encroachment along bike path.
- Inspect proposal removals by Eversource with Engineering Dept.
- Remove hazards over sidewalk at/near 57 Stillman Road.
- Prune branches over bike path along east side of Mill Woods Pond.
- Prepare for possibility of snow related tree damage on 10/27.

Parks

- Started leaf collection in all parks.
- Field maintenance for the schools and teams.
- Small moving jobs.

Highway

- Basin work (Highcrest).
- Pothole filling.
- Masonry patch work at Willard pool.
- Winterizing irrigation systems.
- Removed shack from the Cove.
- Testing leaf machines.
- Repaired damaged street and traffic signs.

Mechanics

- Installation of leaf boxes and testing the machines.
- Routine maintenance on fleet vehicles.

Trades

- Work has been completed on the pump system at Willard pool.
- Painting continues in Town buildings.
- HVAC responded to both heat and calls for A/C.

WETHERSFIELD HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT

Week Activities – 10/31/16 – 11/5/16

Site work

- Miscellaneous landscaping in various areas.
- Remove and replace salt damaged sidewalks. Gym west and south areas.
- Site punch list.

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Area B –Green Room/Recording Studio/Toilet Rooms

- Toilet accessories.
- Install fin-tube radiators.
- Acoustical wall panels.

Area D – Tech Ed

- Punch list.

Area D – Student Entrance

- Complete metal trim on the exterior of building.

Area F – East 500/300/100

- Complete fin-tube radiator covers.
- Toilet room partitions.
- Punch list.

Area H – Stair 1

- Complete install of rubber flooring on 2nd shift.

Stair 2

- Install rubber flooring and base – 2nd shift.

Stair 3

- Complete Install of rubber flooring on 2nd shift.

Roof

- Silktown metal guy to finish all miscellaneous trim at overflow scuppers and student entrance canopy.

F. **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:** www.wethersfieldchamber.com

G. **CCM:** 2015 Legislative Agenda

<http://advocacy.ccm-ct.org/Resources.ashx?id=dd744142-4339-48e5-beab-cf134d021b0d>

H. **CRCOG:** www.crcog.org

I. **MIRA:** www.ctmira.org (Formerly CRRA - www.crra.org)

J. **CRT:** **CRT 2014 Annual Report** www.crtct.org/en/news/publications

K. **COUNCIL OF SMALL TOWNS:** www.ctcost.org

L. **ATTACHMENTS:**

- **Social and Youth Services** – *Trunk or Treat Flyer*
- **Secretary of the State** – *One Week Left to Register Online*
- **Town Clerk** – *State Election Warning & Sample Ballot*
- **Central Connecticut Health District** – *Monthly Report*
- **CT Veterans Parade** – *New 2016 Parade Route*
- **Wethersfield Historical Society** – *Phil Lohman's Art Work Exhibition Flyer*
- **Social and Youth Services** – *Wethersfield Food Bank Donation on Election*
- **Secretary of the State** – *Press Release – New Voting Devices for Voters with Disabilities*
- **Central Connecticut Health District** – *Holiday Food Safety Course Flyer*
- **The Metropolitan District** – *2017 Budget Meeting Schedule*
- **Chamber of Commerce** – *Events Flyer*

WETHERSFIELD TRUNK OR TREAT!



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

12:00-2:00PM

PITKIN COMMUNITY CENTER

(30 GREENFIELD STREET)

CALL TO REGISTER: 860-721-2950

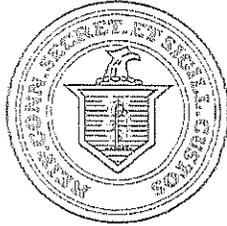
Trunk or Treat is a fun, safe, FREE, interactive Halloween event! Like trick or treating in your own neighborhood, but the houses are so much closer!

Pre-registration for a parking space is required. Registration will begin on Monday, October 3. Call the Community Center at 860-721-2950 to reserve your parking space. No walk-ups allowed.

Prizes will be awarded to families for the best decorated trunks. We will also have Halloween stories and a dance party with the Wethersfield Library, an inflatable slide donated by South Windsor Parks & Recreation, face painting and so much more!

There are only 100 parking spots available, so don't wait to register for your space!

Sponsored by Wethersfield Parks and Recreation, Wethersfield Public Library, Wethersfield Social and Youth Services Department, Wethersfield Police Department and Wethersfield Volunteer Fire Department.



DENISE W. MERRILL
SECRETARY OF THE STATE
CONNECTICUT

For Immediate Release:
October 25, 2016

For more information:
Patrick Gallahue: (860) 509-6255
Cell: (860) 463-5939

- PRESS RELEASE -

ONE WEEK LEFT TO REGISTER ONLINE, BY MAIL AND IN-PERSON

HARTFORD: With the November 1 deadline to register to vote online, by-mail or in-person just one week away, Secretary of the State Denise Merrill is urging everyone still unregistered to get engaged.

Secretary Merrill said, "More people are registering to vote in Connecticut than ever before. My message to anyone still unregistered is: join them! Make your voice heard on November 8! If you think you are already registered, please go to myvote.ct.gov to make sure it is up to date."

Citizens have until November 1 to register to vote online, by mail or in-person. Election Day registration is in effect on November 8, though lines are expected to be long.

For more information about registering to vote, go to: myvote.ct.gov.

WARNING

November 8, 2016 State Election

The Electors of the Town of WETHERSFIELD are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, for the following purposes:

- I. To cast their votes for Presidential and Vice-Presidential electors, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, and Registrar of Voters.

Notice is hereby given that the location of the polling places is as follows:

POLLING PLACES AND VOTING HOURS

6:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

VOTING DISTRICTS

DISTRICT 1	Incarnation Church Hall	544 Prospect Street
DISTRICT 2	Keeney Cultural Ctr.	200 Main Street
DISTRICT 3	Weth. Methodist Church Hall	150 Prospect Street
DISTRICT 4	Webb Elementary School	51 Willow Street
DISTRICT 5	Emerson Williams School	461 Wells Road
DISTRICT 6	Community Center (Banq. B1)	30 Greenfield St.

Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location, designated under CGS §9-147at:

Wethersfield Town Hall, 505 Silas Deane Highway.

Electronic voting machine tabulators will be used. The polls will be opened at six o'clock in the morning (6:00 a.m.) and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 p.m.).

Dated at Wethersfield, Connecticut, this 19th day of October, 2016.

Town Clerk Dolores G. Sassano
Town of Wethersfield

ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK.

8:00a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mon-Friday and on Saturday, Nov 5, 2016, from 9a.m. – 1 p.m.

Be sure to read the instructions on the reverse side of this ballot, it will help you in voting.

OFFICE ↓ PARTY	1 Presidential Electors for Vote for One	2 United States Senator Vote for One	3 Representative in Congress Vote for One	4 State Senator Vote for One	5 State Representative Vote for One	6 Registrar of Voters Vote for One
DEMOCRATIC PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1A Clinton and Kaine	<input type="radio"/> 2A Richard Blumenthal	<input type="radio"/> 3A John B. Larson	<input type="radio"/> 4A John W. Fonfara	<input type="radio"/> 5A Russell A. Morin	<input type="radio"/> 6A Camille Mogelnicki
REPUBLICAN PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1B Trump and Pence	<input type="radio"/> 2B Dan Carter	<input type="radio"/> 3B Matthew M. Corey	<input type="radio"/> 4B Barbara Ruhe	<input type="radio"/> 5B Mike Hurley	<input type="radio"/> 6B Carol Hurley
WORKING FAMILIES PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1C	<input type="radio"/> 2C Richard Blumenthal	<input type="radio"/> 3C John B. Larson	<input type="radio"/> 4C	<input type="radio"/> 5C Russell A. Morin	<input type="radio"/> 6C
INDEPENDENT PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1D	<input type="radio"/> 2D	<input type="radio"/> 3D	<input type="radio"/> 4D	<input type="radio"/> 5D Mike Hurley	<input type="radio"/> 6D
LIBERTARIAN PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1E Johnson and Weld	<input type="radio"/> 2E Richard Lion	<input type="radio"/> 3E	<input type="radio"/> 4E	<input type="radio"/> 5E	<input type="radio"/> 6E
GREEN PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1F Stein and Baraka	<input type="radio"/> 2F Jeffery Russell	<input type="radio"/> 3F S. Michael DeRosa	<input type="radio"/> 4F Barbara Barry	<input type="radio"/> 5F	<input type="radio"/> 6F
INDEPENDANCE PARTY	<input type="radio"/> 1G	<input type="radio"/> 2G	<input type="radio"/> 3G	<input type="radio"/> 4G	<input type="radio"/> 5G Mike Hurley	<input type="radio"/> 6E
PETITIONING CANDIDATE	<input type="radio"/> 1H	<input type="radio"/> 2H	<input type="radio"/> 3H	<input type="radio"/> 4H	<input type="radio"/> 5H Lee N. Johnson	<input type="radio"/> 6H
WRITE-IN VOTES	<input type="radio"/> 1I	<input type="radio"/> 2I	<input type="radio"/> 3I	<input type="radio"/> 4I	<input type="radio"/> 5I	<input type="radio"/> 6I

State of Connecticut
Official Ballot

Wethersfield, Connecticut State Election November 8, 2016

Congressional District 1
Senatorial District 9
Assembly District 28
Voting District 1

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Central Office: 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109 Phone (860) 721-2822 Fax (860) 721-2823

Berlin: 240 Kensington Road, Berlin, CT 06037 Phone (860) 828-7017 Fax (860) 828-9248

Newington: 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111 Phone (860) 665-8586 Fax (860) 665-8533

Rocky Hill: 761 Old Main Street, Rocky Hill, CT 06067 Phone (860) 258-2770 Fax (860) 258-2767

www.ccthd.org

TO: Board Members
FROM: Charles Brown, Director of Health
SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT—September 2016
DATE: October 18, 2016

Monthly Activities/Projects of Special Interest

Director of Health

- Attended State Health Improvement Plan Action Summit on September 8th to provide input into overall plan and chronic disease action steps
- Met with several local health directors to discuss potential for resource sharing around information technology and data management systems
- Participated in panel discussion on local responses to the opioid crisis at CLASS Annual Summit on September 15th
 - Requested data from the Rocky Hill Public Safety Committee on opioid responses on September 19th
- Met with Newington Town Manager and Department Heads to discuss strategic approach to code enforcement efforts at motels and hotels on September 29th

Administrative

- To date, 5 flu clinics have been held. Attendance has been good—1,489 at the first 5 clinics this year versus 1,504 last year. Promotion continues by press releases, Facebook posts and flyers to elementary schools.
- Grant expenditures continue to be tracked. Final financial reports were sent in for the Asthma Grant, PHHS Block Grant and Dental Grant.

Community Health Highlights

PREVENTION BLOCK GRANT

- Living Healthy in the District Guide Book. This booklet was printed and has been delivered to most of the key locations in the district including: Senior & Community Centers, Parks & Rec Departments, Social Services and Libraries.
- All District Walks. Next all District walks have been scheduled for October 27 & 29 at Center Cemetery, Rocky Hill. Lead by Rocky Hill Historian, Bob Herron, these will be story-telling adventure walks geared for seniors (on the 27th) and families (on the 29th).
- Final grant report for FY 2015-1016 was submitted and projected activities for FY 2016-2017 were submitted to DPH.

ASTHMA – Putting On Airs

- The new grant year began on September 1. Orientation and training were conducted for the home-visiting staff in Enfield, New Britain and East Hartford. Training was focused on the new forms and new CDC-dictated format. Additionally, the first home visits were conducted under the new program parameters.

- POA Program Coordinator and CCHD Assistant Director met with the Respiratory Manager of the Hospital of Central Connecticut to investigate methods of expanding the referral base from the hospital.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- EP Coordinator continued meetings with EMDs. This month was the Wethersfield EMDs.
- Flu Clinics.
 - Media outreach and press releases were issued;
 - Flyers were delivered to various locations including schools
 - Clinics are fully staffed; the Newington CERT team will participate in each clinic and 8 new non-medical volunteers and 3 new medical volunteers will work during the 8 clinics.

DENTAL GRANT

- Grant was submitted to Delta Dental to match CCHD funds for dental clinics in FY 2016-17. With remaining funds from FY 2015-16, an additional clinic was added in September. The final report was submitted to the funder for payment at the end of September.

Meetings attended by staff:

- EP Coordinator: ESF-8
- POA Coordinator: Logistic; Hospital of Central Connecticut (Respiratory Manager);
- Health Educator: Crisis Emergency Risk Communications, Charlotte Hungerford Hospital
- Assistant Director: Wethersfield Early Childhood Collaborative; Hospital for Special Care – “Community Forum & Exchange”; Heroin & Opioid Awareness Conference (Waterbury); Childhood Obesity Conference (Leir Center, Ridgefield); Respiratory Manager- Hospital of Central Connecticut.

Environmental Health Activities

- In addition to the routine inspections, we responded to numerous health/housing complaints involving bed bugs, roaches, mold, trash, odors and lack of maintenance on properties including motels, apartments, condominiums, food establishments and private properties.
- September was a very busy month with temporary food events. The largest being the Berlin Fair at the end of the month. The Wethersfield Corn Fest and Newington Waterfall Festival occurred mid-month, and several other smaller events were scattered throughout September. A total of 69 temporary food booths were inspected this month. Staff worked collaboratively within the district towns to assist in covering all these events. A special shout out to Greg and Kristin for assisting with inspections in multiple towns.
- Tammy and Greg attended the two day Yankee Conference in Mystic, put on by the Connecticut Environmental Health Association. Seminar tracks included food, septic and water topics.
- Barbara gave a talk to the Wethersfield Fire Department and answered questions on bed bugs and hoarding issues.
- Salon and Barbershop licenses were renewed this month, with 80% of the establishments renewing before the September 30th deadline.
- Staff hand delivered notices of violation to food service establishments that had not yet renewed their annual licenses. All but three licenses (out of 583) were renewed by the end of the month. Staff has discussed the possibility of requesting the addition of late fees to license renewals (all types) for next fiscal year to improve response time and reduce the work involved with chasing down stragglers. It is noted that 66% of our food establishments had renewed by the deadline of June 30th, 89% by the end of July and 92% by the end of August.
- Berlin Activities and Projects
 - Jeff presented a talk on food safety, and conducted a mock inspection, for the Berlin High School culinary science class. The activity was well received and will hopefully become a regular event.

- Worked extensively with the Berlin Fair vendors (30 food vendors) to get them opened for this year's Fair.
- Met with the owner of Sliders regarding renovations in their bar area and reviewed two inter-office permits and two project review sheets and approved plans for a new hair salon called G Hair Salon.
- Newington Activities and Projects
 - Responded to many complaints at a Motor Lodge on the Berlin Turnpike. We have ongoing issues with bed bugs, roaches, opossums, and general lack of repairs in the units as well as other Sanitary Code violations (use of hot plates and other cooking in the rooms, and overcrowding in rooms). The facility owner and manager have not been cooperative in trying to resolve these issues. A meeting was held with various town departments to discuss motels and rooming houses in Newington and how the town wants to deal with code violations. A follow up meeting will take place in October.

September 2016

Program Measures	Berlin			Newington			Rocky Hill			Wethersfield			Fiscal YTD Total		
	Complaints	Complaint Inspections	Routine Inspections	Complaints	Complaint Inspections	Routine Inspections	Complaints	Complaint Inspections	Routine Inspections	Complaints	Complaint Inspections	Routine Inspections	Complaints	Complaint Inspections	Routine Inspections
Water Supply	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Food Service	0	0	87	1	0	32	2	5	44	0	0	44	13	21	476
Public Facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	6	42
Salon Inspections	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1
Subsurface Sewage	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	13
Gen Envir. Health	1	1	0	3	1	0	5	6	0	3	3	0	57	81	3

Campylobacteriosis	1	0	1	0	5
E-Coli	0	0	0	0	0
Salmonellosis	0	0	2	0	3
Blood lead ≥ 5	0	0	0	0	2



MEDIA CONTACT: Laura Soll, Communications – CT Veterans Parade, 860-688-4499 or Cell 860-833-4466

NEW 2016 PARADE ROUTE FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6
CONNECTICUT VETERANS PARADE IN HARTFORD

Map of New Marching Route Provided

HARTFORD, CONN., October 25, 2016 – Close to 3,000 participants in the Sunday, November 6, 2016 Connecticut Veterans Parade will march a new parade route this year. New England's largest veterans parade will start and finish in the same location as in the past, but the new shorter route will focus on the area around Downtown Hartford's historic Bushnell Park. The marchers' assembly area remains the same location as in past years.

"We have worked with our planning committee of veterans and other veterans groups to make the parade even more enjoyable for both the marchers and the thousands of people of all ages who will come to cheer them on and say, 'thank you,'" explains Kristin Beth Ferris, the parade's coordinator. "The 17th annual Connecticut Veterans Parade will begin at the intersection of Buckingham and Washington Streets near the State Capitol Building, and march North up Trinity Street as in past years, but now will turn right onto Jewell Street, then right onto Wells Street, passing through Pulaski Circle and past Elm Street, then finally turning right onto Hudson Street where it will end at Capital Avenue. The Reviewing Stand will be located at the intersection of Elm Street and Pulaski Circle, near the Pump House Gallery in the park's Southeast corner." U.S. Marine Corps veteran and meteorologist Gil Simmons will be the Reviewing Stand Announcer.

"Many of the parade's longtime participants – including those who fought in World War II and the Korean War – told us that the route was becoming a little too lengthy for walking on a cold Fall day," says Ferris. "In addition, there were stretches of that former route – particularly on windy Pearl Street – where there were few spectators. This scenic new route is approximately one-half mile shorter than years past and offers the opportunity for marchers to walk a short block to back to Bushnell Park and enjoy the rest of the parade."

Spectators also will have a better viewing experience this year. People will be able to move around Bushnell Park during the parade and watch the procession from many different angles, or bring a lawn chair and simply sit and cheer in one place.

As in past years, **one hour before the parade begins, an 11:30 a.m. Wreath-laying ceremony will be held at the Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Arch in Bushnell Park** to remember all veterans. The ceremony will feature a color guard, music, and a bugler from the First Company Governor's Foot Guard. And, the **Bushnell Park Carousel** will be open all day for just \$1 a ride.

A poignant Moment of Silence will begin at 1:30 p.m. when parade marchers will stop in place in memory of service members who died while serving their country. At the end of that minute of remembrance, a **C-130H personnel and cargo transport aircraft from the Connecticut Air National Guard's 103rd Airlift Wing** will soar over the procession, in concert with the singing of the National Anthem by Bloomfield resident Anthony Harrington, and the tolling of Downtown Hartford church bells.

The Connecticut Veterans Parade honors the dedication and sacrifice of servicemen and women from all U.S. conflicts, and offers the public the opportunity to express their thanks in a meaningful way. Nearly 3,000 active, retired or honorably discharged members of the U.S. Armed Forces are expected to march, as are veterans groups, patriotic commissions and local municipalities. Musical units, including the Central Connecticut State University Marching Band and high school, middle school, fife & drum and pipe & drum bands, will be featured. For the seventh consecutive year, the **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Veterans Day Committee** has recognized the **Connecticut Veterans Parade as one of the nation's official "Veterans Day Regional Sites."** One of **just U.S. 47 sites recognized in 2016**, the Parade is the **only Connecticut entity** to be honored.

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Three Connecticut veterans will be honored as the 2016 Parade Marshals:

- **Former Disbursing Clerk Third Class John (Jack) G. Casey Jr. of Groton, a U.S. Navy Vietnam veteran** who has dedicated his life to honoring veterans. He is an Assistant State Captain and current Board member of the CT Patriot Guard Riders, and his current mission is to collect photos of every Connecticut resident who died in the Vietnam War, giving a face to their courage and ultimate sacrifice.
- **Lt. Col. (Ret.) Walter J. Hushak of Southington, a veteran of the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force Reserve.** At 93, he proudly marches in uniform at every CT Veterans Parade. The World War II Army Captain was a pilot of a B-24 Liberator bomber in the Pacific from 1944 to 1946; including battles at Iwo Jima, Pagan and Marcus Island. He then served in the Air Force Reserve for 27 years, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. He preserves the history of WWII by speaking with school students of all ages.
- **Chief Warrant Officer Five Mark S. Marini, Sr. of Suffield, who has 41 years of military service with the Connecticut Army National Guard, the past 17 of those as the Command Chief Warrant Officer of the CTNG's Joint Force Headquarters.** He is responsible for the formulation, development and implementation of all programs and policies affecting the Connecticut Army National Guard Warrant Officer Corps.

Free **“Thank You, Veterans” material that spectators can hold** high will be available at the Parade Information booth near the Pump House Gallery. Official **2016 collectible Veterans Parade lapel pins** cost \$4 and can be purchased at that Information booth or in advance at www.CTVeteransParade.org/about/pins/. Proceeds from sales help to pay for parade operations.

The **winner of the parade's annual Middle School Student Essay Contest, Rachel Coppinger of West Simsbury**, an 8th grader at Henry James Memorial School in Simsbury, will ride in a vehicle in the procession. **She and the contest's two runners-up, Mehr Chhatre of Hamden, a 7th grader at Hamden Middle School, and Stephanie Hernandez Rodriguez of Manchester, an 8th grader at Illing Middle School in Manchester, will read their winning essays at a public, free ceremony in the Connecticut State Capitol's Hall of Flags on Thursday, October 27 at 4 p.m.** The competition is sponsored by the Navy League of the United States – Hartford Council and the State of Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs.

Several Downtown parking garages and surface lots will offer discounted or free parking. There is no cost on Sundays to park at Downtown Hartford street meters, except in restricted areas.

The parade is **organized by a nonprofit collaboration of veterans' groups, corporations, local municipalities, businesses and civic organizations.** Many of the members of the Parade Planning Committee have been involved in the parade since its inception in the year 2000. The Connecticut National Guard assists with the management of parade logistics, and the City of Hartford hosts the event.

Sponsorship dollars and donations from individuals are essential to help pay for the operations of the parade. They include corporations, organizations, and grass roots collection efforts. This year, in an effort to enable individuals to support the parade in an affordable way, organizers are hosting a **new 17forVETS** contributions campaign, inviting the public to donate \$17 in honor of the parade's 17th anniversary. Facebook and Twitter social media, using (hashtag) **#17forVETS**, is helping to spread the word.

Financial contributions of \$17 or any amount **to support the parade can be made on-line at www.CTVeteransParade.org.** Checks may be written to **“Connecticut Veterans Fund”** and mailed to:

Connecticut Veterans Fund
1245 Farmington Avenue #338
West Hartford, CT 06107

The following are the parade sponsors, as of October 24, 2016: The **Founding Sponsor** is Aetna. The **Presenting Sponsor** is Eversource. **Contributing Sponsors** are: the Connecticut National Guard; *The Hartford Courant*; United Technologies; and Whelen Engineering Inc. **Associate Sponsors** are: Bank of America;

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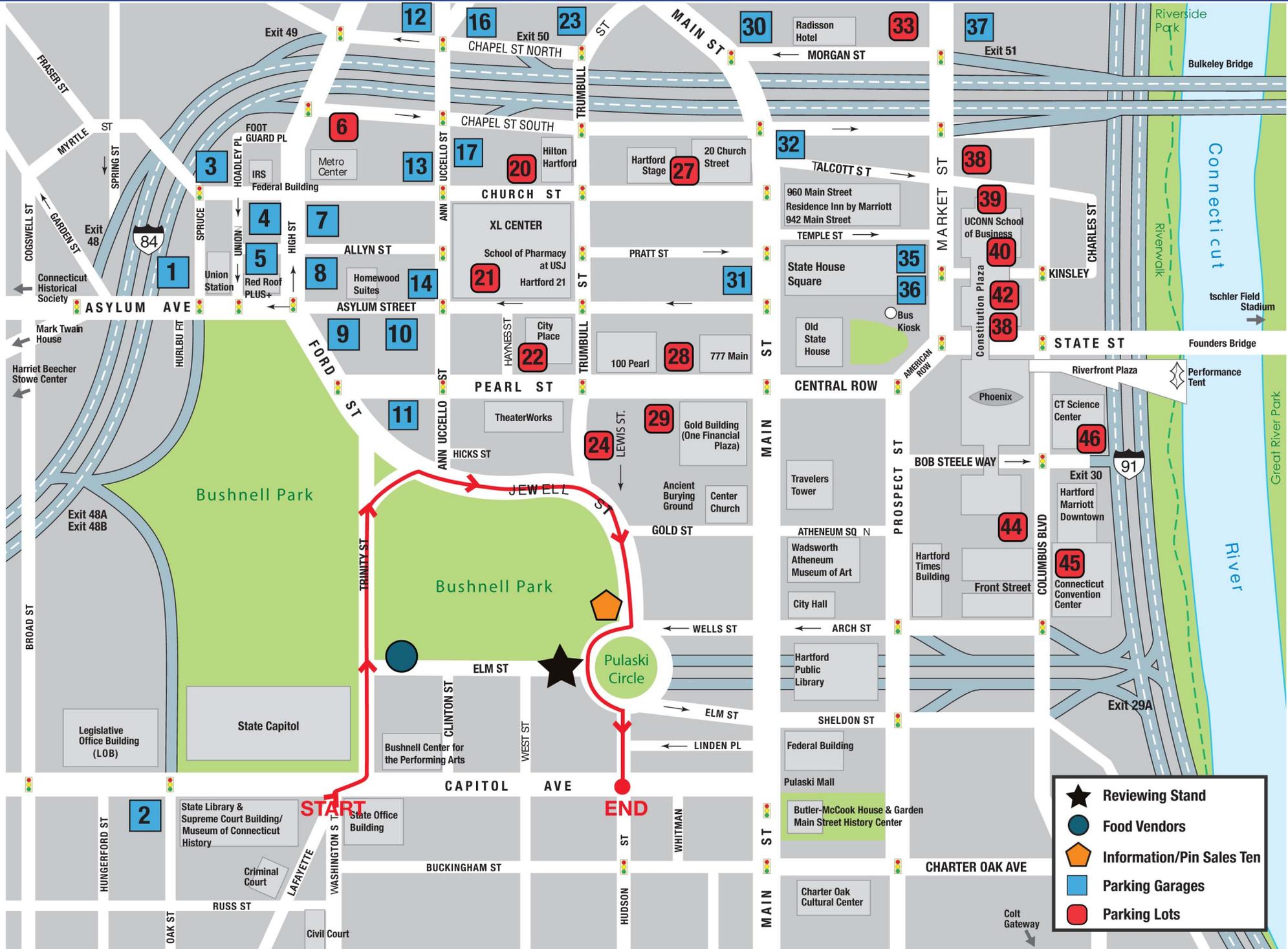
Bob's Discount Furniture; KAMAN; Mohegan Sun; and Travelers. **Cooperating Sponsors are:** Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Company; Insurity Inc.; Prudential Retirement; and Webster Bank. **The parade is produced in cooperation with:** City of Hartford; Connecticut State Department of Veterans Affairs; and Brad Davis. **In Kind Sponsors are:** American Medical Response; *The Hartford News*; Independent Outdoor Network; Invisible Gold Web Designs; Lamar Outdoor Advertising Hartford/Springfield; R2 Graphics; TagTeam Business Partners, LLC; and The Salvation Army. **Other Donors include:** Crowe Horwath LLP; Marilda Gandara; and Lt. Col. (Ret.) Joseph Glasser.

For full information about the Sunday, November 6 Connecticut Veterans Parade, visit www.CTVeteransParade.org or call 860-986-7254. **Facebook:** Connecticut Veterans Parade, and **Twitter:** @CTVetsParade

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CT VETERANS PARADE

Sunday, November 6, 2016
 12:30 p.m. Step off
 New 2016 Parade Route !



Base map provided by the Hartford Business Improvement District & Hartford.com, 2010

PARADE INFO LINE: 860.986.7254 www.ctveteransparade.org



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- Fruit snacks
- Peanut butter crackers or cheese crackers
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October 24, 2016

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- PRESS RELEASE -

NEW VOTING DEVICES FOR VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES

Connecticut Secretary of the State Denise Merrill announced today that Connecticut will have a new accessible ballot marking system at polling places statewide on Election Day Tuesday, November 8 that is designed to improve the voting experience for people with disabilities.

Secretary Merrill said, "We know that people with disabilities are some of Connecticut's most active and engaged citizens and that they will be a force in this year's presidential election. We want to make sure that when they turn out to vote this November, they have the most high-tech services available."

The new stand-alone, tablet-based system requires no telephone or internet service and is intended to be adaptable to a variety of assistive technologies. The tablet system is a ballot-marking device that replaces the previous phone-fax technology.

The previous system required poll workers to use a designated telephone with a secure, pre-registered number to enter the system. Voters were then given a telephone handset after the calls were answered by a computer system that provided an audio ballot. Once the call ended, the ballot was faxed to the polling place.

Faxed ballots differed in appearance from ballots used by other voters, and thus were identifiable, potentially violating the privacy of the voters with disabilities that had used the system. Under the new system, the ballots of individuals with disabilities are fed through the same tabulators that count the ballots that are manually completed by other voters at the polling place.

The winning bid, in response to an RFP issued by the Secretary of the State's Office, was put forward by IVS LLC, an experienced election service company specializing in accessible voting technology. The tablet system will be available at polling places in every town in Connecticut. In addition to polling places, the new machine will be available to individuals with disabilities who

utilize the state's same day voter registration procedure and wish to vote at the Election Day registration site.

How the New Technology Works

The new technology includes a tablet and a keypad with headphones. Individuals may vote using the touch screen on the tablet, or by using the connected audio system on the keypad. The audio system, which includes headphones, works by a series of cues requiring voters to push different buttons on the telephone-style keypad to make choices for each office. Both the touchscreen and the audio provide voters with the opportunity to review and revise their choices.

After the individual has completed voting (by either touchscreen or keypad) a printer marks a paper ballot that reflects the voter's choices. The voter then feeds the ballot through the same tabulator used by other voters; the marked ballot can be scanned and counted just as any other ballot.

For Connecticut voters who have been using vote-by-phone over the past decade, the process of voting will be very much the same, except that the voted ballots are marked on an attached laser printer instead of being faxed to the polling place. The audio component may be preferable for people with visual impairments; people who prefer audio cues, including individuals who have difficulty reading; and people with learning disabilities.

Voting with a Disability

The Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities also notes that if a voter requires assistance to vote by reason of disability or inability to write on or read the ballot, assistance may be provided by a person of the voter's choice. The only categories of individuals prohibited by state law from providing such assistance are the voter's employer, an agent of the employer, an officer or agent of the voter's union, or a candidate on the ballot (unless that candidate is a member of the voter's immediate family).

"The law requires that every registered voter have an opportunity to vote independently and in privacy at a polling place, regardless of disability," said Gretchen Knauff, of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities.

The Office has developed a handbook, "A Poll Worker's Guide to Assisting Voters with Disabilities in Connecticut," which has been provided to Registrars of Voters in all communities throughout the state. The handbook includes information on accessibility, assistance, accommodation and resources, to guide people working at polling places in their interactions with voters with disabilities.

Additional information is available from the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities at (860) 297-4300 (voice) or (860) 297-4380 (TTY). Toll-free is (800) 842-7303 (voice/TTY). The website www.ct.gov/opapd also has information about voting for persons with disabilities.

Cooking for a crowd during this holiday season? Is your place of worship or school planning a holiday luncheon or banquet? Join us for this hands-on training session as we give tips and techniques for safe food handling, cooling and storage.

Come prepared to be involved and have a few nibbles!



HOLIDAY FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

Wethersfield – Wethersfield Public Library

Tuesday, November 1, 2016 - 6:30 pm -8:00pm

Newington-Lucy Robbins Welles Library

Thursday, November 3, 2016 - 6:30 pm -8:00pm

Berlin – Berlin Peck Memorial Library

Monday, November 7, 2016 - 6:30 pm -8:00pm

Rocky Hill – Cora J. Belden Library

Tuesday, November 15, 2016 - 6:30 pm -8:00pm

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Times and Locations:

Tues., 11/1/16

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Wethersfield Public Library

515 Silas Deane Highway

Wethersfield, CT

Thurs., 11/3/16

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Lucy Robbins Welles Library

95 Cedar Street

Newington, CT

Mon., 11/7/16

6:30 pm -8:00 pm

Berlin-Peck Memorial Library

234 Kensington Road

Berlin, CT

Tues., 11/15/16

6:30 pm -8pm

Cora J. Belden Library

33 Church Street

Rocky Hill, CT

RSVP to Ann Hartman

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2017 MDC BUDGET MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, October 17, 2016 at 5:30 P.M.

Board of Finance Special Workshop Meeting
MDC Training Center, 125 Maxim Road, Hartford

Purpose: Proposed 2017 budget presentation and Commissioner's workshop in advance of the November 9 Board of Finance Meeting

Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 5:30 P.M.

District Board Meeting
Board Room at District Headquarters, 555 Main Street, Hartford

Purpose: To refer budget to Board of Finance

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 5:30 P.M.

Board of Finance Meeting
Board Room at District Headquarters, 555 Main Street, Hartford**

Purpose: To review proposed 2017 budget, addressing Commissioner and public comments from October 17 workshop and furnish to District Board for the December 5 meeting.

Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 5:30 P.M.

Water Bureau Public Hearing And Meeting
Board Room at District Headquarters, 555 Main Street, Hartford**

Purpose: Public hearing is required as water rates are amended annually through Water Supply Ordinance revisions

Monday, December 5, 2016, Time TBD

MDC Government Committee Meeting
Board Room at District Headquarters, 555 Main Street, Hartford

Purpose: To consider and approve Water Supply Ordinance revisions and refer to District Board

Monday, December 5, 2016 at 5:30 P.M.

District Board Meeting
Board Room at District Headquarters, 555 Main Street, Hartford

Purpose: To adopt to the 2017 proposed budget

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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PM and on Sunday November 6th from 1 PM
to 4 PM. In addition, there will be a Preview
Night on Thursday, November 3rd from 5
PM to 8 PM. Admission to the Preview is
\$5.00. There will be a large selection of adult
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