



**TOWN OF MANSFIELD
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, August 24, 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUDREY P. BECK MUNICIPAL BUILDING
7:30 p.m.**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

August 10, 2009

DRAFT

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Clouette, Haddad, Koehn, Nesbitt, Paterson, Paulhus
Excused: Duffy, Lindsey, Schaefer

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Haddad seconded to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2009 meeting. Ms. Koehn requested a clarification regarding her statement concerning the Town's water standards for the community water system at Ponde Place be added to the minutes. She also requested additional information detailing who sets the standards for community water systems be provided to Council members. Mr. Haddad noted that in the information provided by Ms. Koehn regarding the Northeast Regional Management Area Water Supply Forum she attended, the position of two of the speakers were confused. The Town Manager will correct the notes and forward the information for inclusion in the record copy of the minutes.

The minutes as amended were approved.

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Nesbitt seconded to move Item 3, Presentation: MetroHartford Alliance, as the next item of business after the opportunity for public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Ric Hossack, Middle Turnpike, implored the Council to speed up the process to install cameras in the Council Chambers. Mr. Hossack also questioned why the Fire Department contract is taking so long to be signed.

Betty Wassmundt, Old Turnpike Road, asked for information on the recently settled lawsuit between Mansfield and the Windham Water Pollution Control Authority. Ms. Wassmundt requested an accounting of the projected and actual savings as a result of changes made to the energy plan of the Town.

IV. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Attached

In response to a citizen question, Mr. Hart stated the labor contract with the Fire Department is actively being negotiated.

Ms. Koehn will send questions to the Town Manager regarding the Northeast Regional Management Area Water Supply Forum and how the information presented there might relate to Pond Place's water supply system.

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Community/Campus Relations

The Town Manager reported Town and University staff have already met with a number of apartment owners and managers to discuss existing security measures. The group also plans to meet with landowners and renters from some single-family homes to discuss existing and potential problems. He noted that some infractions have already been ticketed in single-family rentals.

Mayor Paterson reported that she and co-chair of the Community Campus Partnership, Jim Hintz, have been working to revamp the time of the meetings and are planning to schedule presentations dealing with different aspects of community/campus life.

2. Community Water and Wastewater Issues

The Town Manager reported that WINCOG has agreed to schedule the next meeting to continue the discussion of the role of a Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUUC) in the Northeast Region of Connecticut. He noted that staff would continue to meet and discuss the issue with UConn through the Water and Wastewater Advisory Committee. Ms. Koehn asked to attend these meetings.

Mr. Nesbitt reported the Four Corners Sewer Advisory Committee will meet on August 27th and that his committee has ascertained there is definitely interest in public water beyond the Four Corners Area. Mr. Haddad asked if the mission of the Committee includes water and areas beyond Four Corners. The Town Clerk will provide a copy of the resolution approving the establishment of the Committee. Members discussed the role of the Downtown Partnership, which was originally charged with developing plans for 3 areas of Town including the Four Corners. Mr. Nesbitt noted that a member of the Partnership Board serves on the Committee, thereby keeping the Partnership advised of the Committee's activities.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

3. Presentation: MetroHartford Alliance

Town Manager Matt Hart welcomed MetroHartford Alliance members John Shemo and Becky Nolan to the meeting. Mr. Shemo described the Alliance as a private nonprofit organization that serves as a leader in the economic development of the greater Hartford area and serves as Hartford's Chamber of Commerce. He also reviewed the 2009 priorities of the Alliance. (Strategic Goals attached) Mansfield was a municipal investor in the Alliance until 2007.

Becky Nolan described some of the advertising work of the Alliance and emphasized that they have cultivated relationships with site selectors

across the world. She outlined some of the benefits municipalities receive as members of the Alliance.

Members questioned how the Alliance works with the Councils of Government, what percentage of their budget is supplied by municipal investors (4%), what percentage is paid by corporate interest, and, consequently, the amount of influence municipal investors have on the policies of the Alliance. Mr. Shemo stated that, if the Town rejoined, it would be at the rate of .20 per capita and that the Town could join its public policy Council. He also stated that the Alliance works with all the Councils of Government and that because Mansfield is part of the Hartford labor market it would be a good fit.

4. Mansfield's Plan for Young Children

Mr. Paulhus moved and Ms. Koehn seconded, effective August 10, 2009 to endorse Mansfield's Plan for Young Children as an element of Mansfield 2020: A Unified Vision, under the vision point "Early Care and Education"

Kevin Grunwald, Director of Human Services, provided an overview of the background and process that led to the comprehensive plan for children from birth to eight years old. Mansfield was one of 23 communities who received a grant from the William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund and the State Department of Education to create a plan for this population using Result Based Accountability. Mr. Grunwald acknowledged the outstanding work of Sandy Baxter and the group of volunteers who formulated the plan. He noted that there is an additional opportunity for funding for the implementation of the plan from the Graustein Fund. A matching Town commitment would be required. Ms. Koehn suggested the Town support of the Discovery Depot might be considered a contribution.

The motion to endorse the plan passed unanimously with the understanding that the endorsement does not approve any additional financial support.

5. Volunteer Driver Program

Council members discussed options available to the Town in an effort to expand transportation opportunities for seniors and residents with disabilities. By consensus the Council agreed to have staff explore the options and make a recommendation to the Council.

6. Establishment of Parking Steering Committee for Storrs Center

Joined by Director of Public Works Lon Hultgren and Executive Director of the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Council members discussed the draft committee charge for the establishment of Parking Steering Committee for Storrs Center. The ensuing discussion centered on the role of the Council as policy makers, the role of the Advisory Committee

the role of professional staff and consultants, the ongoing negotiations and the composition of the membership of the Committee. The public will have an opportunity to approve any funding for the project. Mr. Hultgren suggested the focus of the Steering Committee be centered on the parking outside of the garage and commented that it is important that all the stakeholders be able to contribute.

Mr. Haddad moved, effective August 10, 2009, to approve the draft proposal in its entirety with changes. The amended resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND ISSUE CHARGE TO A PARKING STEERING COMMITTEE FOR STORRS CENTER

WHEREAS, the Storrs Center downtown project incorporates a mix of uses including shops, restaurants, offices, housing, parks, and open space; and

WHEREAS, a variety of parking, including an intermodal facility, on-street and surface parking, is needed to accommodate the uses associated with Storrs Center; and

WHEREAS, the Storrs Center Special Design District Master Parking Study was approved by the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission as part of the Storrs Center Special Design District on June 18, 2007, which requires that a specific number of parking spaces, by use, be included in the Storrs Center project; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that parking at Storrs Center be user-friendly, convenient, and affordable; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mansfield will own the initial intermodal facility and the interior streets in Storrs Center; and

WHEREAS, the Storrs Center project received one of its last major approvals (a permit for improvements to Storrs Road) on June 16, 2009, and the project is continuing to progress toward construction, necessitating the need to move forward on a parking management plan; and

WHEREAS, there are several Town, University of Connecticut, and private surface parking lots immediately adjacent to the Storrs Center project area that will be affected by parking for Storrs Center; and

WHEREAS, the input of adjacent property owners, other interested parties and the Mansfield community is necessary for the development of a parking management plan that meets the goals of Storrs Center; and

WHEREAS, an advisory Steering Committee would assist the Town and the Mansfield Downtown Partnership in planning for parking in Storrs Center; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to establish a Steering Committee to assist in the coordination and planning for parking at Storrs Center:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

A Parking Steering Committee is established for the Storrs Center project and is authorized to perform the following charge:

- Oversee development of a parking management plan for Storrs Center (intermodal facility, surface parking, on-street parking, and adjacent parking areas) including but not limited to an evaluation of parking management strategies; parking operational systems; development of access control and enforcement strategies; evaluation of the cost of operational and enforcement systems; creation of regulatory and wayfinding parking signage; creation of a public communications strategy about parking options;
- Assist Town of Mansfield staff and the Town Transportation Advisory Committee with public transportation issues;
- Assist with information sharing and public input for the project amongst adjacent property owners, other interested parties and the Mansfield community;
- Present the management plan to the Mansfield Downtown Partnership's Board of Directors for its review and endorsement; and
- Present the management plan to the Town Council for its review and approval.

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF PARKING STEERING COMMITTEE FOR STORRS CENTER

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to appoint a Parking Steering Committee for Storrs Center:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED TO:

Appoint a Storrs Center Parking Steering Committee with the following members:

1. Town Council, at least one member
2. One representative from Regional School District #19
3. One representative from the University of Connecticut
4. One representative from the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Inc.
5. Two Mansfield citizens including at least one adjacent private property owner and one who is interested in public transportation as recommended by the Transportation Advisory Committee
6. One representative from a local public transportation provider

Staff and Ex-officio members:

Town Manager
Town of Mansfield Public Works Director
Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Inc. Executive Director
Town's Parking consultant
One representative from Storrs Center master developer LeylandAlliance

Seconded by Ms. Koehn the motion passed with all in favor with the exception of Mr. Nesbitt who voted nay.

The Town Manager will compile a slate of appointees for Council approval.

Mr. Nesbitt questioned the letter from DECD which stated that "design build" projects are not allowed and asked that an inquiry be sent to DECD requesting specific regulations which support this finding. He would like for the Town to have a direct dialogue with them prior to a final decision. The Town Manager agreed and reported that a "design build" project requires a short list of contractors and a fairly complete design plan. Mr. Hart said that staff would follow-up with the DECD on the possibility of allowing a "design build" project.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

No comments

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mr. Clouette reported on the meeting of the Finance Committee. As a result of the efforts of the Finance Department, the Town Manager and the Department Heads, preliminary figures for FY2008/09 show a modest increase of about \$11,000 in the fund balance. The Committee discussed the rescue-billing proposal and asked for additional information for the Council. Also discussed was the short period of time after the election of the Council to discuss the hiring of a Town Attorney. To assist in the effort the Finance Committee requested information on Town Attorney activity including the benefits of retaining an attorney or hiring on an hourly basis. Mr. Clouette announced that due to the September 3rd deadline for approval of referenda items for this year's November election, four bonding issues would be before the Council at the next meeting. These include the Hunting Lodge Road walkway, various bridge projects, the salt shed and reauthorization of open space funding.

Mr. Clouette moved the following nominations of the Committee on Committees:

Personnel Appeals Board – Donald Nolan
Mansfield Advocates for Children – James Greene

Motion to approve the recommendations passed unanimously.

Mr. Haddad, Chair of the Personnel Committee, discussed and distributed a timeline for the Town Manager's annual review. (Timeline attached) For the next meeting, Mr. Haddad will prepare a motion reserving the right to change aspects of the Town Manager's contract.

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

None

X. PETITIONS, REQUEST AND COMMUNICATIONS

7. Connecticut Preservation News "A Tavern, A Bank, and A Dam" – July/August
8. UConn students living on-campus at Storrs, 1989-2009
9. Light the Night 2009
10. Chronicle "Mansfield Dem slate unveiled for election" – 07-27-09
11. Chronicle "Mansfield GOP confident in election slate" – 07-29-09
12. Chronicle "Mansfield looks ahead to 2020" – 08-01-09
13. Chronicle "Parents ticked at 'Toddler Time' demise" – 07-22-09
14. Chronicle "Revamped panel has spring fling oversight" – 08-01-09
15. Mansfield Today "Letter to the Editor" – 07-23-09
16. Mansfield Today "Town Committees name their candidates..." – 07-31-09

XI. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

No comments

XIII. FUTURE AGENDAS

Ms. Koehn requested a date for the Strategic Plan workshop and asked staff to address the questions posed by citizens during the public comment section of the meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Clouette seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

Town Manager's Office
Town of Mansfield

Memo

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Town Employees
Date: August 10, 2009
Re: Town Manager's Report

Below please find a report regarding various items of interest to the Town Council, staff and the community:

Council Requests for Information

- *Current Waivers for Long Driveway Service* – There are 57 long driveways, 7 extra long driveways and 11 in-yard services that have medical waivers.
- *DPW Employees Outside of Mansfield General Store* – Mr. Hultgren spoke to the citizen who had expressed a concern and asked him to contact Mark or Lon if he ran into that situation again. Mr. Hultgren queried the DPW crews and thinks it could have been a summer help mowing crew, but without details on the truck or description of the individuals, he has no way of knowing who it was.
- *Four Corners Interbasin Transfer Process* – The Four Corners/UConn water supply from the CT Water Company will require a DEP diversion permit. Part of the data and analysis of this diversion permit will include a review of both river basins to determine if there are any ill-effects of transferring this water from one basin to another. So there is no "interbasin transfer permit" per se, it is just part of the larger Diversion Permit data and analysis. When and if CT Water is able to proceed with their plans (i.e., UConn and the Town are prepared to purchase and help finance the infrastructure needed to bring the water into Mansfield), CT Water will apply for this diversion permit.
- *Gurleyville Road Bridge Railing Project* – In 2007 the Town accepted a federal rural minor collector grant from the WINCOG region in the amount of approximately \$110,000 to update the bridge railings on the Gurleyville Road bridge over the Fenton River. The project was scoped by the DOT, approved and a designer hired to design the new railing. After exploring the ways in which the new railing can be attached to the existing bridge, we have come to the conclusion (with the help of the DOT's bridge unit and our consultant) that it will be too costly to attempt to attach the new railings to the existing bridge. The bridge's beams are hollowed-out precast concrete sections that do not have enough concrete in their side walls to support the bolted connections that would be required to hold on the new railing. A solution to reconstruct the deck to provide the needed additional side-strength is not considered to be practical. As the Town has other rural minor collector roads, we have asked WINCOG and the DOT to substitute another project for this one. The project we have selected is to improve the drainage along the steep section of Wormwood Hill Road which is currently served by open ditches and is a big maintenance problem. WINCOG has agreed to back this substitution, so the next step will be to have the DOT's project concept unit review the project and determine (with the Town) a scope and grant-eligible cost. We expect this process to be completed this year and the project to be designed and constructed in 2010.
- *Ponde Place* – Council Member Koehn requested further information on Ponde Place's role in the Northeast Regional Area Water Supply. More information regarding this request is respectfully requested.
- *Retirement Contributions* – Council Member Nesbitt asked for clarification on the Town Manager's tax implications of the current retirement contributions including social security contributions. I have attached a copy of former Director of Finance Jeffrey Smith's April 2009 communication explaining why the Town treats the deferred compensation contributions as pensionable compensation. The Municipal Employee Retirement System (MERS) is examining this issue and has not issued a ruling.

Departmental/Division News

- *Accountant Position Filled* – I am pleased to announce that Keri Rowley will be joining the Finance team to fill the Accountant's position. Ms. Rowley has non-profit experience in accounting and we are confident that she will do a fine job for the Town. Welcome Keri!
- *Birch Road Bikeway* – The wetlands permit has been renewed for the remaining section of the Birch Road bikeway, and the final revised plans, specs and estimates will be submitted to the DOT for final approval this week. A public information meeting has to be held prior to the project going forward – Council will be asked to schedule this in the near future. This project is being funded by a \$300,000 ARRA grant.
- *Hunting Lodge Road Bikeway* – The rough grading is complete on the Hunting Lodge Road bikeway. Remaining work, which will commence the week of August 17th, includes placing the base material (processed gravel) and paving. Base and paving should be complete by August 28th. Finish work (mostly landscaping) will take place in September.
- *Personnel Appeals Board Reappointment* – Crayton Walker has agreed to be reappointed to the Personnel Appeals Board. His position is a Town Manager appointment and I have reappointed him to a term to end October 31, 2014.
- *School Renovation Project* – I attended the July 15th meeting of the School Building Committee. The committee authorized staff to conduct an engineering analysis for the Southeast School property to determine if that site would be a feasible location for a consolidated elementary school. If the engineering analysis shows that the site is feasible, the project architect will prepare a preliminary rendering. I wish to emphasize that the School Building Committee has **not** made a decision to recommend a consolidated elementary school and all four options remain under consideration. This fall the committee would like to schedule a joint meeting to provide the Town Council and the Board of Education with a project update.

Upcoming Events

- *Celebrate Mansfield Weekend, September 11-13* – Join the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, the Town of Mansfield, the Mansfield Community Center, the Mansfield League of Women Voters, the Altnaveigh Inn & Restaurant, and Storrs Farmers Market for a weekend full of community fun! Go to www.mansfieldct.org for a more information including a listing of events.

Upcoming Meetings

- Historic District Commission, August 11, 2009, 8:00 PM, Conference Room C, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Agriculture Committee, August 12, 2009, 7:00 PM, Conference Room B, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Planning and Zoning Commission, August 17, 2009, 7:00 PM, Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Committee on Committees, August 17, 2009, 6:00 PM, Conference Room B, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Town/University Relations Committee, August 18, 2009, 4:00 PM, Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Open Space Preservation Committee, August 18, 2009, 7:00 PM, Conference Room B, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Conservation Commission, August 19, 2009, 7:00 PM, Conference Room B, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building
- Town Council, Monday, August 24, 2009, 7:30PM, Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building



Item #54

Town of Mansfield Department of Finance

To: Matt Hart, Town Manager
From: Jeffrey H. Smith, Director 
CC: Cherie Trahan
Date: April 8, 2009
Re: Questions from a Citizen

You have asked me to respond to a series of questions raised by one of our citizens. I have repeated the questions below and then provided an answer.

1. Question: Why is the 457 ICMA deferred compensation to the town manager included in his wages?

Answer: When we researched this question for the prior town manager, it was our conclusion that the payment was Social Security and Medicare taxable and must be included with other taxable payments and reported on the employee's W-2. I would note that IRS regulations are by definition dealing with deferred compensation. In order for it to be deferred compensation we include it in the Manager's salary and then back it out and send it to ICMA. This payment is also considered part of pensionable compensation and has been used in calculating both the employee and employer share (2.5% of salary up to the FICA limit and 5% thereafter and the employer share currently 7% of salary) and in reporting to the Municipal Employees Retirement System run by the State of CT. We are handling this payment in the exact same manner that we have handled these payments to prior town managers and superintendents of schools. We believe we are in conformance with the manager's contract and with state and federal regulations.

2. Question: The Director of Finance has mileage reimbursement included in his payroll.

Answer: The Director of Finance is also the MBOE Business Manager. School Board Administrators receive a mileage stipend in their paychecks for using their own vehicles on school business within the town. This is considered taxable and therefore included with taxable wages. We believe we are handling this payment correctly.

3. Question: Why does the Director of Finance receives a stipend from the Regional School District which is included in his Town pay check?

Answer: The current Director of Finance was directed by the former Town Manager and the Town Council to act as the Chief Fiscal Officer for the newly established Regional School District when it was established in 1986. Region 19 has agreed to pay a stipend to be included in his salary. We believe we are handling the payment correctly.

4. Question: Why was the \$25,000 accrual made for the [Town Attorney] tax year 2007/2008?

Answer: The Town is required to report its expenditures on a modified accrual basis. Under that rule expenditures are recorded in the year the goods or services are received. The \$25,000 accrual was part of a \$587,822 accrual made at the end of the fiscal year. A similar accrual was made in prior years as well. We are confident this was handled correctly.

STRATEGIC GOALS 2008 - 2011 WITH 2009 PRIORITIES

05/2009

Business Recruitment and Retention

- Establish health care as a Center of Excellence and an economic driver for the Region
- Promote Bradley International Airport as a key economic development asset
- Strengthen and expand relationships and collaborations to promote future regional investment.

Influence Public Policy

- Engage investor community in active grassroots advocacy to ensure CT is a business friendly state
- Advocate for sustainable and secure funding for the state's transportation system, including one hour commuter rail service to NYC and Boston
 - Lead forums on major public policy issues

Strengthen the City as the Dynamic Urban Core of the Region

- Work with the City to maintain the highest level of services within projected fiscal constraints
- Work with the Hartford Business Alliance to ensure effective business representation on City and State economic issues
 - Work with the BID to ensure its reauthorization in 2009

Metro



Retain & Attract Diverse Talent

- Build HYPE membership and engage college grads and alumni
 - Establish mentoring program to support entrepreneurs
- Support the advancement of STEM skills in high schools

Market the Region to Attract People, Jobs and Capital

- Leverage local media - including online - to deliver key messages
- Enhance website for both information and promotion, including Economic Development upgrades
- Formally engage marketing professionals to enhance local and national impact

Strengthen Climate for Entrepreneurs & Privately Held Businesses

- Identify additional capital resources to fund start-ups and small businesses
- Continue to update and enhance the website for entrepreneurial and small business resources
 - Promote, encourage and provide opportunities to showcase entrepreneurs and small businesses

Competing for Jobs, Capital and Talent

www.metrohartford.com

MEMORANDUM

Town of Mansfield
Town Manager's Office
4 So. Eagleville Rd., Mansfield, CT 06268
860-429-3336



To: Town Council

cc: Matthew Hart, Town Manager

From: Gregory Haddad, Chair, Personnel Committee

Date: August 10, 2009

Re: Timeline & Forms – Town Manager Performance Review Process

The Personnel Committee met July 23rd to discuss the process and timeline for the Town Manager's performance review. The Committee asked me to distribute the timeline and performance review form to Council.

The timeline, including tasks and due dates, is noted below. Information about the evaluation survey will be distributed via e-mail and will direct you to an online survey that you are asked to **complete by August 21, 2009**. If you would like a hard copy, please let me know and I will mail one to you, but online submissions are strongly encouraged.

<u>Task</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Person/People Responsible</u>
Distribute performance evaluation survey	8/12/09	Maria Capriola
Self-evaluation due to Council	8/14/09	Matthew Hart, Town Mgr.
Performance evaluation completed and submitted online	8/21/09	Town Council Members
Personnel Committee prepares draft evaluation	8/27/09	Personnel Committee
Personnel Committee reviews draft evaluation	9/10/09	Personnel Committee
Town Council meets in Executive Session to discuss performance review	9/14/09	Town Council
Town Council meets in Executive Session (special meeting) to conduct performance review with Town Manager	9/17/09 or TBD	Town Council & Town Mgr.
Town Council adopts review and makes changes to compensation plan, if any	9/28/09	Town Council

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**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

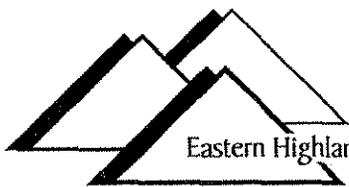
To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: UConn Landfill, Long-term Monitoring Program

Subject Matter/Background

Attached please find information regarding the UConn Landfill. The Council is not required to take any action on this item at this time.

Attached

- 1) R. Miller re: UConn Landfill Long Term Monitoring Plan, Report dated July 2009
- 2) Haley & Aldrich, Long-term Monitoring Plan, April/May 2009 - Round #10 (excerpts)
- 3) R. Miller re: CT DEP Quarterly Progress Report – April, May, June 2009
- 4) CT DEP Quarterly Progress Report – April, May, June 2009



Eastern Highlands Health District

4 South Eagleville Road • Mansfield CT 06268 • Tel: (860) 429-3325 • Fax: (860) 429-3321 • Web: www.EHHD.org

Memo

To: Matt Hart, Town Manager

From: Robert Miller, Director of Health

Date: 8/17/2009

Re: UConn Landfill Project Quarterly Progress Report – April, May, June 2009

Per your request, I have reviewed the above reference report. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information provided in the report is representative of the ongoing activities associated with the landfill project. No significant changes to the project direction were identified. The information reported is consistent with the expectations of this office.

No action is recommended by the office at this time.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.



University of Connecticut
*Office of the Vice President and
Chief Operating Officer*

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Office of Environmental Policy

Richard A. Miller, Esq.
Director

July 31, 2009

Raymond L. Frigon, Jr.
State of Connecticut, Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse
79 Elm Street
Hartford, CT 06106-5127

RE: CONSENT ORDER #SRD 101
STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (CTDEP)
QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT – APRIL, MAY, JUNE 2009
REMEDIAL WORK PLAN IMPLEMENTATION - UCONN PROJECT BI-900748
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT LANDFILL, STORRS, CT

Dear Mr. Frigon:

The University of Connecticut (UConn) issues this Quarterly Progress Report to the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP).

In accordance with paragraph B.8. of Consent Order SRD-101, progress reports must continue "until all actions required by this consent order have been completed as approved and to the satisfaction of the Commissioner, Respondent shall submit a progress report to the Commissioner describing the actions which Respondent has taken to comply with this consent order to date."

SPECIAL NOTE: If any of those individuals copied on this Progress Report no longer wish to receive these updates, they are welcome to contact Stephanie Marks, UConn Office of Environmental Policy at Stephanie.marks@uconn.edu.

Progress reported during April, May and June is discussed below under the following sections:

- Construction and Closeout Activities
- Permitting and Monitoring Activities - Post Construction Remediation System Inspections
- Photographs
- Long-Term Monitoring Plan (LTMP)
- Contact and project document information
- Project Website
- Certification

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Construction and Close-out Activities

Construction or Consultant Task	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date
Submit as-built plans to Commissioner within ninety (90) days of completion of the landfill closure – Construction Closure Report (CCR) as per CTDEP Approval dated November 22, 2004	August 26, 2008	Due by November 24, 2008* Pending
Operations and Maintenance Manual (OMM) – Haley & Aldrich (H&A) deliverable	September 2008	Pending
Environmental Land Use Restriction (ELUR)	Underway	Following completion of CCR and OMM, est. August 2009
Bus Shelter construction– Partial, Foundation	July 25, 2008	TBD
Deck, Overlook construction – Partial	July 7, 2008	Construction underway (Photo 2)

* H&A contacted CTDEP on November 6, 2008 requesting to extend the deadline to submit the final reports due to the contractor’s delay in providing acceptable as-built drawings. We estimate that these drawings will be available shortly.

Permitting and Monitoring Activities including Post Construction Remediation System Inspections

April 2009

- Mason & Associates, Inc. (Mason) conducted various wetlands inspections in April including:
 - Vernal Pool B & reference pools - April 3, 10, 14 and 24, 2009 – observed two spotted salamander egg masses and hatching wood frog eggs
 - Wetland hydrology monitoring at most stations - April 14, 2009
 - Soil moisture readings at the eight wetland soil moisture arrays April 14, 2009 - soil moisture readings exceeded 90% in all locations except the upland array in Area C West and the northernmost upland array in Area C3
- Proposal received from Mason for wetland remedial measures (as itemized in the 2008 Annual Report)
- Haley & Aldrich conducted the monthly Remediation System Inspection on April 16, 2009
 - Average rate in North Trench = 56, 802 gpd and average rate in South Trench = 4,658 gpd

May 2009

- Mason conducted various wetlands inspections in May including:
 - Complete vernal pool survey – May 8 and 22, 2009 - all contained adult frogs, amphibian eggs and/or tadpoles
 - Wetland hydrology monitoring at most stations – May 12, 2009
 - Sundew plants (Photo 3) an uncommon native carnivorous plant not previously seen in project area observed in Wetland Creation area C3
- UConn approved and funded recommended wetland corrective action work as outlined in the 2008 Annual Report
- Haley & Aldrich conducted the monthly Remediation System Inspection on May 14, 2009
 - Average rate in North Trench = 38,571 gpd and average rate in South Trench = 5,353 gpd

June 2009

- Mason conducted various wetlands inspections in June including:
 - Vernal Pool B & reference pools – June 12 and 23, 2009 – macroinvertebrates, amphibians & green frogs observed
 - Wetland hydrology monitoring at most stations – June 12, 2009– precipitation much higher than historic average
 - Overall species diversity appears to meet required success standards as set forth in the permit and Plan
- Invasive species control plan under development with professionally licensed/certified pesticide applicator
- Haley & Aldrich conducted the monthly Remediation System Inspection on June 26, 2009
 - Average rate in North Trench = 52,242 gpd and average rate in South Trench = 1,270 gpd

Photographs



Photo 1 - April 2009 - View of Wetland C outlet

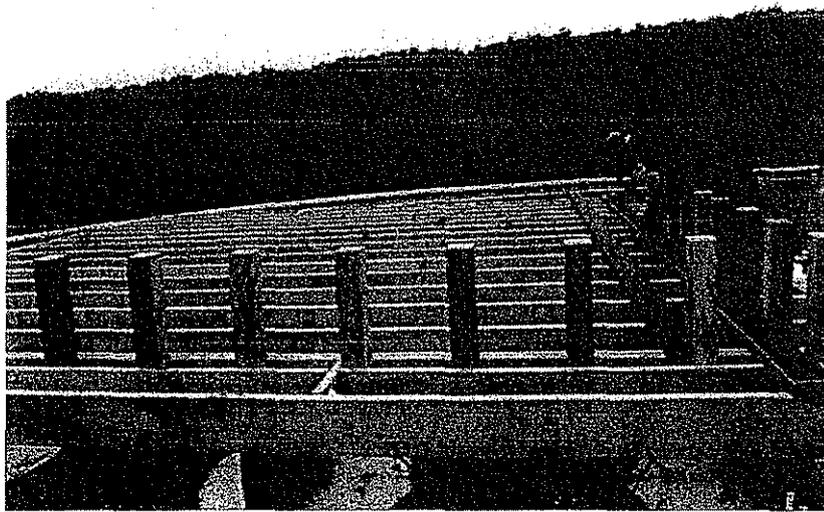


Photo 2 - June 2009 – Construction of HEEP overlook deck

Photographs (continued)



Photo 3

May 2009 – Sundew (*Drosera rotundifolia*), Northern Pool in Wetland Creation Area C3

Long-Term Monitoring Plan (LTMP)

UConn and Haley & Aldrich submitted LTMP Report for Round #9 (January/February sampling) on March 9, 2009. Samples for Round #10 were collected in April and May 2009. In general, results of the analysis have been consistent with previous rounds of sampling. We anticipate proposing a change in sampling frequency in the near future.

Listing of Project Contacts and Project Documents

No change to previous reports.

UConn Project Web Site

The site's Internet address is <http://landfillproject.uconn.edu/>

Certification:

As part of this submission, I am providing the following certification:

"I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document and all attachments and certify that based on reasonable investigation, including my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the submitted information is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I understand that any false statement made in this document or its attachments may be punishable as a criminal offense."

For questions, please contact James M. Pietrzak, P.E. at (860) 486-5836 or Stephanie Marks at (860) 486-1031.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Miller

Director, Office of Environmental Policy

CTDEP Consent Order SRD101 Quarterly Progress Report – April, May, June 2009
July 31, 2009

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Memo

To: Matt Hart, Mansfield Town Manager
From: Robert Miller, Director of Health 
Date: 8/17/2009
Re: UConn Landfill Long Term Monitoring Plan, Report dated July 2009

Per your request, I have reviewed the above referenced report. The results reported to do not suggest and imminent or immediate risk to public health. No changes in the monitoring program were identified. The results are generally consistent with the historic body of data available for this project. No action is recommended.

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Letter of Transmittal

Date 24 July 2009
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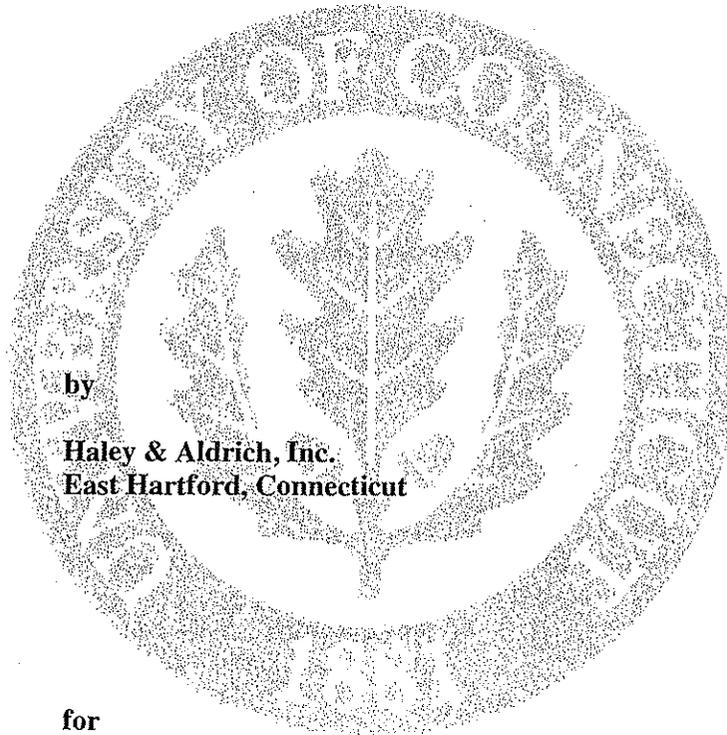
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**LONG-TERM MONITORING PLAN
APRIL/MAY 2009 SAMPLING ROUND #10
UCONN LANDFILL
STORRS, CONNECTICUT**



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14 July 2009

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Attention: Raymond L. Frigon, Jr.

Subject: Long Term Monitoring Plan
April/May 2009 Sampling Round #10
UConn Landfill
Storrs, Connecticut

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The following certification is being submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection in accordance with the terms as delineated in the Consent Order No. SRD-101 issued 26 June 1998 for the document specified below:

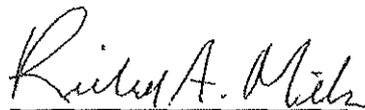
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Agreed and accepted as stated above:



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1. INTRODUCTION

This Long Term Monitoring Plan (LTMP) was prepared pursuant to the Consent Order # SRD-101 between the State of Connecticut and the University of Connecticut (UConn) regarding the solid waste disposal area on North Eagleville Road (Landfill and Former Chemical Pits) and the former disposal site in the vicinity of Parking Lot F (F Lot). An Interim Monitoring Program (IMP) was performed in order to monitor shallow ground water, surface water and bedrock groundwater quality in nearby domestic water supply wells until the LTMP required pursuant to paragraph B.4.e of the Consent Order was implemented. In September 2005, the University transitioned from the IMP to the LTMP. As part of this process, samples were collected from both the IMP and LTMP locations for three sampling quarters. These quarters, referred to as "transition rounds" were conducted in September and December 2005 and May 2006. Beginning with the October and November 2006 monitoring quarter, samples were only collected from the LTMP locations.

The objectives of the LTMP are:

- To assess the effectiveness of the remediation
- To monitor groundwater and surface water quality and trends, and
- To act as sentinel wells to protect human health and the environment.

Groundwater, surface water and soil gas samples are being obtained to verify that the new remediation systems are working as planned. The Plan is also designed to protect human health and the environment by evaluating the concentrations of contaminants in groundwater and surface water over time. If increasing concentrations are observed, UConn and the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP) will reassess the remediation system design, expand the monitoring program, and/or take additional measures to protect human health and the environment, if necessary.

The LTMP includes sampling of media at multiple locations as shown on Figure 1:

- (1) six surface water locations;
- (2) five shallow groundwater monitoring wells;
- (3) five deep bedrock monitoring wells;
- (4) six active domestic wells on Meadowood Road and Separatist Road; and
- (5) four soil gas monitoring locations.

Installation of the landfill cap and leachate interceptor trenches was completed in the spring of 2007. To date, significant changes to the groundwater quality have not been observed. Analytical results continue to be evaluated and reported to the key parties and to the public.

This report documents the sampling round conducted in April and May 2009, also referred to as Round #10. Subsequent sampling will be conducted on a quarterly basis until the University receives approval from the CTDEP to change to a semi-annual sampling schedule.

2. SCOPE OF PROGRAM

The following paragraphs describe the rationale for each sampling location for the Long Term Monitoring Program based upon the approved Comprehensive Hydrogeologic Investigation and Remedial Action Plan, Addendum No. 2, dated July 2004.

2.1 Shallow Groundwater Monitoring Wells

Three shallow wells [B401(MW), B403(MW) & B404(MW)] were constructed in the overburden south, southeast and north of the landfill respectively, and downgradient of the Leachate Interceptor Trenches (LITs) in February and March 2007. These wells function to monitor shallow groundwater quality migrating out of the landfill area and to assess the effectiveness of the landfill cover and LITs.

Two previously existing shallow monitoring wells, MW-3 and MW-4, were reinstalled in August 2007 in the same general area in F Lot however; they were offset several feet from their original locations. They function to monitor shallow groundwater quality downgradient of F Lot.

2.2 Deep Groundwater Monitoring Wells

Five bedrock (125 to 300 ft) groundwater monitoring wells are included in the LTMP. Three existing wells, MW-105R, B201R(MW), and B302R(MW) are located south and west of the landfill and former chemical pits. These wells were selected because they are situated in the direction of either suspected historical or known bedrock groundwater flow. Since permanent packer systems for discrete fracture interval sampling are installed in B201R(MW) and MW-105R, two samples are collected from each well. Two former residential water supply wells, located at 156 Hunting Lodge Road and 202 North Eagleville Road, are included in the LTMP because of their locations and construction depths. The University has not received permission to access the well at 156 Hunting Lodge Road therefore; it continues to be excluded from sampling events.

2.3 Surface Water Monitoring Locations

Six surface water-monitoring locations (SW-A through SW-F) are selected to assess surface water quality migrating from the landfill, former chemical pits, and F Lot areas SW-A through SW-E are strategically placed at the primary surface waters north (wetland and Cedar Swamp Brook drainage) and south (western tributary of Eagleville Brook drainage) of the landfill and former chemical pits area. SW-F is located downgradient of F Lot on an eastern tributary to Eagleville Brook.

2.4 Active Residential Water Supply Wells

Six active residential water supply wells are included in the LTMP:

- 38 Meadowood Road
- 41 Meadowood Road
- 65 Meadowood Road
- 202 Separatist Road
- 206 Separatist Road
- 211 Separatist Road

These residential wells are the closest active bedrock wells to the landfill and former chemical pits in the direction of suspected historical and known groundwater migration pathways in the fractured bedrock aquifer.

2.5 Soil Gas Monitoring Locations

Four soil gas-monitoring points B501(GW), B502(GW), B503(GW) and B504(GW) were installed in the east, southeast, southwest and northwest quadrants of the landfill immediately outside the cap perimeter to monitor for potential gas migration away from the landfill. The monitoring points are 4-in. diameter PVC wells extending to depths ranging between 7.5 and 9.5 ft bgs with a slotted screen interval from the surface seal (approximately 2.5 ft bgs) to the depth of completion. The locations are lateral to the leachate interceptor trenches (LITs) where the likelihood of soil gas migration is presumed to be greatest.

2.6 Sampling Parameters

During the course of the Hydrogeologic Investigation, a comprehensive suite of analytical methods was selected to determine the nature of the contamination in the Study Area. A wide range of methods were used to ensure that any potential contaminant identified during review of historical records or interviews with knowledgeable personnel would be detected if present. Multiple rounds of groundwater and surface water sampling have shown that the contamination is confined to a few classes of compounds. Monitoring a select number of analytical methods accomplishes the objectives of the LTMP, that is, to assess effectiveness of remediation, monitor groundwater quality and trends and be protective of human health and the environment.

Groundwater and surface water samples were analyzed for the following parameters:

- VOCs by EPA Method 524.2

- Total metals by EPA Method 200 Series

- Total mercury by EPA Method 7470/E245.1

- Other Inorganic Parameters

 - ammonia, nitrate and nitrite, total phosphorus, total dissolved solids, total suspended solids, alkalinity, hardness, chloride, sulfate, chemical oxygen demand, total organic carbon, biological oxygen demand and cyanide

- Field Screening Data

 - turbidity, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, ORP, pH, and temperature

Soil gas monitoring points were analyzed for methane and carbon dioxide using a multiple gas detection meter.

2.7 Sampling Frequency

As previously mentioned, to date, significant changes to the groundwater quality have not been observed. Therefore, the University plans to propose to switch from a quarterly groundwater program to a semi-annual monitoring program beginning in the fall of 2009.

3. SAMPLING PROCEDURES

Sampling procedures and analytical methods for the groundwater monitoring wells and surface water samples were conducted in accordance with the Comprehensive Hydrogeologic Investigation and Remedial Action Plan, Addendum No. 2, dated July 2004.

Sampling procedures for the residential water supply wells were conducted in accordance with procedures previously established by CTDEP and the DPH for the health consultation study completed in 1999. Samples were collected from the water supply system prior to treatment after running the tap for approximately eight minutes.

Samples from the residential water supply wells were analyzed using EPA drinking water methods as noted on the enclosed Table I.

4. SUMMARY OF RESULTS

The analytical results from the April/May 2009 LTMP round #10 sampling are summarized in Table I. VOC Concentration and Conductivity vs. Time Plots for selected bedrock wells [MW105R, B201R(MW), and B302R(MW)] and selected overburden wells [B401(MW) and B403(MW)] are included in Appendix A. A discussion of the results below is organized by general sample types and locations.

4.1 Shallow Groundwater Monitoring Wells

Samples from monitoring wells B401(MW), B403(MW) and B404(MW) were collected and submitted to Phoenix Environmental Laboratories, Manchester, Connecticut for analysis of VOCs, total metals, and nutrients. Both LITs were in operation at the time of this sampling event however; the electric submersible pump (RW-2) in the northern LIT was not functioning consistently.

VOCs 1,4-dichlorobenze and chlorobenzene were detected in monitoring well B401(MW) Chlorobenzene was detected in monitoring well B403(MW). VOCs were not detected in B404(MW). Metal concentrations in all samples were below protective criteria. In general, concentrations of selected parameters and compounds appear consistent with previous sampling rounds.

VOCs were not detected in the samples collected from MW-3 or MW-4 and metal concentrations at both locations were below protective criteria.

4.2 Deep Bedrock Monitoring Wells

Samples from these wells were collected and submitted to Phoenix Environmental Laboratories, Manchester, Connecticut for analysis of VOCs, total metals, and nutrients. VOCs were detected in discrete samples collected from both fracture zones of MW-105R and B201R(MW). Concentrations of benzene and 1,2-dichloroethane exceeded the groundwater protection criteria in samples from both MW105R and B201R(MW). The concentration of trichloroethene (TCE) exceeded the groundwater protection criteria in the deeper fracture zone of MW105R. Monitoring wells 202-NERD (unused domestic well at 202 N. Eagleville Road) and B302R(MW), which range in depths from 300 to 320 ft do not have a discrete sampling systems installed so, integrated samples were collected. As in previous rounds, benzene was detected below groundwater protection criteria in the sample collected from B302R(MW). VOCs were not detected above laboratory detection limits in the sample collected from 202-NERD.

Arsenic was detected (0.006 mg/L) above the SWPC in the samples collected from MW105R-74 and B302R(MW) however; metal and nutrient parameters were within typical groundwater water ranges for all the other bedrock monitoring well samples.

For quality control purposes, duplicate samples were collected from B201R-60 and 202-NERD. Results were in general agreement for both locations.

As mentioned, at the time of this sampling event, the LITs were in operation however; the electric submersible pump in the northern LIT was not functioning consistently. However, groundwater quality at MW105R and B201R(MW) appeared to remain unaffected; analytical results were generally consistent with previous sampling events.

4.3 Surface Water Samples

Surface water was present at all six of the monitoring locations during this sampling quarter. The samples were collected and submitted to Phoenix Environmental Laboratories, Manchester, Connecticut for analysis of VOCs, metals and nutrients. VOCs were not detected at any of the locations and metal and nutrient parameters were within typical surface water ranges and consistent with previous sampling rounds.

4.4 Active Residential Domestic Wells

All six active domestic wells were sampled as part of this quarterly event. Four of the six wells did not contain VOCs above the method reporting limits. Trace concentrations of chloroform were detected in the samples collected from 206 and 211 Separatist Road. These results are consistent with findings from previous sampling events. No other VOCs were detected above method reporting limits at these locations. In the sample collected from 65 Meadowood Road, copper was detected above surface water protection criteria; however the concentration is below drinking water criteria and is consistent with copper concentrations detected at this location in previous sampling rounds. Metal and nutrient concentrations at all locations were within acceptable drinking water ranges.

4.5 Soil Gas Monitoring

Landfill gas is the natural by-product of the decomposition of solid waste in landfills and is comprised primarily of carbon dioxide and methane. A GEM2000 Landfill Gas Meter was used to sample and analyze methane, carbon dioxide and oxygen content at soil gas monitoring locations B501(GW), B502(GW), B503(GW) and B504(GW). Oxygen concentrations ranged from 10.1% at B502(GW) to 21.1% at B501(GW). Carbon dioxide readings ranged from 0% at B501(GW) to 8.8% at B502(GW). Methane gas readings were 0% at all four locations. These results are consistent with previous monitoring events.

TABLE I
SUMMARY OF GROUNDWATER ANALYTICAL RESULTS
LONG-TERM MONITORING PLAN
UCONN LANDFILL
STORRS, CONNECTICUT

SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	MW105R-74	MW105R-141	EB-050509	TR-050509	B201R(MW)-38	B201R(MW)-60
SAMPLING DATE					5/5/2009	5/5/2009	5/5/2009	5/5/2009	5/1/2009	5/1/2009
COMMENTS					Discrete	Discrete	Field Blank	Trip Blank	Discrete	Discrete
WELL DEPTH (ft.)										
LOCATION					MW105R	MW105R			B201R-MW	B201R-MW
Volatile Organic Compounds (ug/l)	524.2	(ug/l)	(ug/l)	(ug/l)						
1,1-Dichloroethane		70	NE	3,000	ND<0.50	1.2	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	0.51	1.1
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		70	NE	NE	ND<0.50	3.8	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	0.54	3.8
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		600	170,000	5,400	ND<0.50	2.2	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	0.77	2.1
1,2-Dichloroethane		1	2,970	6.5	ND<0.50	8.9	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	3.6	6.8
1,4-Dichlorobenzene		75	26,000	1,400	ND<0.50	8.5	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	1.1	5.2
Benzene		1	710	130	0.64	48	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	1.4	2.4
Bromobenzene		NE	NE	NE	ND<0.50	16	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	4.6	11
Chlorobenzene		100	420,000	1,800	ND<0.50	24	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	7.8	18
Chloroform		5	14,100	26	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene		70	NE	830	ND<0.50	6.4	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	3.8	6
Methyl Ethyl Ketone		400	NE	50,000	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
sec-Butylbenzene		41	NE	1,500	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Tetrachloroethene		5	88	340	ND<0.50	2.2	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	1.3	2.4
Toluene		1,000	4,000,000	7,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Trichloroethene		5	2,340	27	ND<0.50	6.3	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	2.6	4.4
Vinyl chloride		2	15,750	1.6	ND<0.50	0.89	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	0.54
Total Metals (mg/l)										
Aluminum	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.010	ND<0.010	ND<0.010	--	ND<0.010	ND<0.010
Arsenic	200.7/6010	0.05	0.004	NE	0.006	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	--	ND<0.004	ND<0.004
Barium	6010/E200.7	1	NE	NE	0.14	0.14	ND<0.002	--	0.117	0.088
Cadmium	6010/E200.7	5	6	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Calcium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	137	79.4	0.036	--	108	84.5
Chromium, total	P-EIL	50	NE	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Copper	6010/E200.7	1.3	0.048	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Iron	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	8.28	0.461	0.002	--	0.672	0.004
Lead	7421/S3143B	0.015	0.013	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002	ND<0.002
Magnesium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	15.6	9.4	ND<0.01	--	11.5	8.48
Manganese	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	1.05	0.29	ND<0.001	--	0.25	0.105
Mercury	7470/E245.1	0.002	0.0004	NE	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	--	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002
Nickel	200.7/6010	0.1	0.88	NE	0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	0.001	0.001
Potassium	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	10.5	3.3	ND<0.1	--	4.2	5.4
Sodium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	25.1	13.4	ND<0.1	--	13.4	12.4
Vanadium	200.7/6010	0.05	NE	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--	0.002	ND<0.002
Zinc	200.7/6010	5	0.125	NE	0.005	0.004	0.002	--	0.002	ND<0.002

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WELL DEPTH (ft.):										
LOCATION:					MW-105R	MW-105R			B201R-MW	B201R-MW
Other Analyses (mg/l)										
Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	SM2320B				407	239	ND<20	-	285	164
Ammonia as Nitrogen	S4500NH3				0.19 U	0.09 U	0.14	-	0.08	0.25
B.O.D./5 day	SM5210B				ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	-	ND<4.0	ND<4.0
C.O.D.	SM5220-D				29	11	ND<10	-	22	13
Chloride	300.0/9056				21	14	ND<3.0	-	13	13
Hardness (CaCO ₃)	300.0/9056				406	237	ND<0.10	-	317	246
Nitrate as Nitrogen	300.0/9056				0.06	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	-	ND<0.05	ND<0.05
Nitrite as Nitrogen	E365-2				ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	-	ND<0.01	ND<0.01
Phosphorus, as P	9010/335-3				0.02	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	-	ND<0.01	ND<0.01
Sulfate	300.0/9056				23	14	ND<3.0	-	20	16
Tot. Diss. Solids	SM2540C				530	320	ND<10	-	350	210
Tot. Org. Carbon	41531/SW9000				7.9	1.9	ND<1.0	-	3.6	1.8
Total Suspended Solids	SM2540D				ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	-	ND<5.0	46
Field Screening Data										
Turbidity (NTU)					2.8	2.3	--	--	4.8	276
Conductivity (uS/cm)					802	468	--	--	544	321
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)					0	0	--	--	0	0
ORP (mV)					-112	-95	--	--	-173	46
pH					6.32	6.71	--	--	7.08	8.72
Temperature (°C)					9.24	9.43	--	--	9.99	9.8

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SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	B201R(MW)-60	EB-050109	TB-050109	B302R(MW)	202-NERD	202P-NERD
SAMPLING DATE					5/1/2009	5/1/2009	5/1/2009	5/5/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009
COMMENTS					Duplicate	Field Blank	Trp. Blank		Inactive	Duplicate
WELL DEPTH (ft.)								275	320	320
LOCATION					B201R-MW			B302R-MW	North Eagleville Rd	North Eagleville Rd
Volatile Organic Compounds (ug/l)	524-2	(ug/l)	(ug/l)	(ug/l)						
1,1-Dichloroethane		70	NE	3,000	1.1	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		70	NE	NE	2.6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		600	170,000	5,100	2.1	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichloroethane		1	2,970	6.5	6.7	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,4-Dichlorobenzene		75	26,000	1,400	5.7	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Benzene		1	710	130	2.7	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	0.53	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Bromobenzene		NE	NE	NE	12	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chlorobenzene		100	420,000	1,800	19	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chloroform		6	14,100	26	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
cis-1,2-Dichloroethane		70	NE	830	6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Methyl Ethyl Ketone		400	NE	50,000	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
sec-Butylbenzene		61	NE	1,500	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Tetrachloroethene		5	88	340	2.7	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Toluene		1,000	4,000,000	7,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Trichloroethene		5	2,340	27	4.6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Vinyl chloride		2	15,750	1.6	0.96	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Total Metals (mg/l)										
Aluminum	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.010	0.056	-	0.101	0.053	0.059
Arsenic	200.7/6010	0.05	0.004	NE	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	-	0.006	ND<0.004	ND<0.004
Barium	6010/E200.7	1	NE	NE	0.087	ND<0.002	-	0.007	ND<0.002	ND<0.002
Cadmium	6010/E200.7	5	6	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	-	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Calcium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	83.1	0.014	-	17.6	15.6	15.9
Chromium, total	P.E.L.	50	NE	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	-	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Copper	6010/E200.7	1.3	0.048	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	-	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Iron	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	0.006	U	NE	0.028	0.639	0.562
Lead	7421/S5113B	0.015	0.013	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	-	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.002
Magnesium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	8.53	ND<0.01	-	0.04	2.31	2.32
Manganese	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	0.105	ND<0.001	-	ND<0.001	0.01	0.009
Mercury	7470/E245.1	0.002	0.0004	NE	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	-	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002
Nickel	200.7/6010	0.1	0.88	NE	0.001	ND<0.001	-	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Potassium	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	5.6	ND<0.1	-	2.4	1.1	1
Sodium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	13.3	0.1	-	24.3	6.1	6.7
Vanadium	200.7/6010	0.05	NE	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	-	0.005	ND<0.002	ND<0.002
Zinc	200.7/6010	5	0.123	NE	0.002	ND<0.002	-	0.006	U	ND<0.002

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SAMPLING DATE					5/1/2009	5/1/2009	5/1/2009	5/5/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009
COMMENTS					Duplicate	Field Blank	Top Blank		Inactive	Duplicate
WELL DEPTH (ft.)								275	320	320
LOCATION:					B201R-MW			B302R-MW	North Eagleville Rd.	North Eagleville Rd.
Other Analyses (mg/l)										
Alkalinity (CaCO3)	SM2320B				169	ND<20	--	64.1	43.9	41
Ammonia as Nitrogen	S4500NH3				0.03	ND<0.02	--	0.1	0.09	0.05
B.O.D./5 day	SM5210B				ND<4.0	ND<4.0	--	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0
C.O.D.	SM5220 D				ND<10	ND<10	--	11	ND<10	ND<10
Chloride	300.0/9056				12	ND<3.0	--	ND<3.0	3.3	3.2
Hardness (CaCO3)	300.0/9056				243	ND<0.10	--	44.1	48.5	49.3
Nitrate as Nitrogen	300.0/9056				ND<0.05	ND<0.05	--	0.06	ND<0.05	ND<0.05
Nitrite as Nitrogen	E365.2				ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01
Phosphorus as P	9010/335.3				ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01
Sulfate	300.0/9056				16	ND<3.0	--	34	16	16
Tot. Diss. Solids	SM2546C				210	ND<10	--	150	87	85
Tot. Org. Carbon	415-17SW9060				1.8	ND<1.0	--	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0
Total Suspended Solids	SM2540D				54	ND<5.0	--	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
Field Screening Data										
Turbidity (NTU)					--	--	--	2.8	2	--
Conductivity (uS/cm)					--	--	--	227	130	--
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)					--	--	--	0	0	--
ORP (mV)					--	--	--	-78	36	--
pH					--	--	--	10.13	7.43	--
Temperature (°C)					--	--	--	9.35	12.56	--

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SAMPLING DATE					5/7/2009	5/7/2009	4/29/2009	4/29/2009	4/29/2009	4/29/2009	4/30/2009
COMMENTS					Field Blank	Top Blank			Field Blank	Top Blank	
WELL DEPTH (ft.)							1.01	1.52			1.35
LOCATION							B401(MW)	B403(MW)			B404(MW)
Volatile Organic Compounds (ug/l)	524.2	(ug/l)	(ug/l)	(ug/l)							
1,1-Dichloroethane		70	NE	3,000	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		70	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		600	170,000	5,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichloroethane		1	2,970	6.5	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,4-Dichlorobenzene		75	26,000	1,400	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	1.5	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Benzene		1	710	130	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Bromobenzene		NE	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chlorobenzene		100	420,000	1,800	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	1.6	0.8	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chloroform		6	14,100	26	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene		70	NE	830	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Methyl Ethyl Ketone		400	NE	50,000	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
sec-Butylbenzene		81	NE	1,500	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Tetrachloroethene		5	88	340	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Toluene		1,600	4,000,000	7,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Trichloroethene		5	2,340	27	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Vinyl chloride		2	15,750	1.6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Total Metals (mg/l)											
Aluminum	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.010	--	0.231	0.05	ND<0.010	--	0.144
Arsenic	200.7/6010	0.05	0.004	NE	ND<0.004	--	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	--	ND<0.004
Barium	6010/E200.7	1	NE	NE	ND<0.002	--	0.106	0.105	ND<0.002	--	0.049
Cadmium	6010/E200.7	5	6	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001
Calcium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	0.014	--	48	39.6	0.013	--	46.8
Chromium, total	PIEL	50	NE	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001
Copper	6010/E200.7	1.3	0.048	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001
Iron	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	0.002	--	63.9	67.8	0.032	--	1.63
Lead	7427/S311SB	0.015	0.013	NE	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002
Magnesium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.01	--	11.6	7.73	ND<0.01	--	4.7
Manganese	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.001	--	0.76	3.56	ND<0.001	--	1.78
Mercury	7470/E2453	0.002	0.0004	NE	ND<0.0002	--	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	--	ND<0.0002
Nickel	200.7/6010	0.1	0.88	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	0.002	ND<0.001	--	0.002
Potassium	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.1	--	12	8.2	ND<0.1	--	6.2
Sodium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.1	--	20.3	16.3	ND<0.1	--	8.5
Vanadium	200.7/6010	0.05	NE	NE	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002
Zinc	200.7/6010	5	0.123	NE	ND<0.002	--	0.002	U 0.003	U 0.002	--	0.004

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SAMPLING DATE					5/7/2009	5/7/2009	4/29/2009	4/29/2009	4/29/2009	4/29/2009	4/30/2009
COMMENTS					Field Blank	Trip Blank			Field Blank	Trip Blank	
WELL DEPTH (ft.)							11.01	15.2			11.35
LOCATION							B401(MW)	B403(MW)			B404(MW)
Other Analyses (mg/l):											
Alkalinity (CaCO3)	SM2320B				ND<20	--	207	113	ND<20	--	101
Ammonia as Nitrogen	S4500NH3				0.05	--	12	1.4	0.05	--	0.56
B.O.D./5 day	SM5210B				ND<4.0	--	7.6	7.1	ND<4.0	--	ND<4.0
C.O.D.	SM5220 D				ND<10	--	40	22	ND<10	--	13
Chloride	300.0/9056				ND<3.0	--	11	58	ND<3.0	--	10
Hardness (CaCO3)	300.0/9056				ND<0.10	--	168	131	ND<0.10	--	136
Nitrate as Nitrogen	300.0/9056				ND<0.05	--	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	--	ND<0.05
Nitrite as Nitrogen	E365.2				ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01
Phosphorus, as P	9010/335.3				ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01
Sulfate	300.0/9056				ND<3.0	--	45	77	ND<3.0	--	54
Tot. Diss. Solids	SM2540C				ND<10	--	350	320	ND<10	--	200
Tot. Org. Carbon	415.1/SW9060				ND<1.0	--	8.8	2.6	ND<1.0	--	1.8
Total Suspended Solids	SM2540D				ND<5.0	--	17	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	--	ND<5.0
Field Screening Data											
Turbidity (NTU)					--	--	14.7	12.4	--	--	0
Conductivity (uS/cm)					--	--	687	589	--	--	336
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)					--	--	0	0	--	--	0
ORP (mV)					--	--	-143	-84	--	--	-4
pH					--	--	6.27	5.91	--	--	6.11
Temperature (°C)					--	--	10.19	9.79	--	--	10.24

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SAMPLING DATE					4/30/2009	4/30/2009	5/4/2009	5/4/2009	5/4/2009	5/4/2009	5/6/2009
COMMENTS					Field Blank	Trp Blank			Field Blank	Trp Blank	Surface Water
WELL DEPTH (ft.)							18.6F	22.9F			
LOCATION							R Lot	F Lot			SW-A
Volatile Organic Compounds (ug/l)	524.2	(ug/l)	(ug/l)	(ug/l)							
1,1-Dichloroethane		70	NE	3,000	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		70	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		600	170,000	5,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichloroethane		1	2,970	6.5	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,4-Dichlorobenzene		75	26,000	1,400	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Benzene		1	710	130	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Bromobenzene		NE	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chlorobenzene		100	420,000	1,800	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chloroform		6	14,100	26	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
cis-1,2-Dichloroethane		70	NE	830	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Methyl Ethyl Ketone		400	NE	50,000	6.7	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
sec-Butylbenzene		61	NE	1,500	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Tetrachloroethene		5	88	340	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Toluene		1,000	4,000,000	7,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Trichloroethene		5	2,340	27	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Vinyl chloride		2	15,750	1.6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Total Metals (mg/l)											
Aluminum	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.010	--	0.309	0.263	ND<0.010	--	ND<0.010
Arsenic	200.7/6010	0.05	0.004	NE	ND<0.004	--	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	--	ND<0.004
Barium	6010/E200.7	1	NE	NE	ND<0.002	--	0.063	0.062	ND<0.002	--	0.019
Cadmium	6010/E200.7	5	6	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001
Calcium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	0.032	--	52.1	42.2	0.034	--	18.2
Chromium, total	P.E.L.	50	NE	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001
Copper	6010/E200.7	1.3	0.046	NE	ND<0.001	--	ND<0.001	0.001	ND<0.001	--	0.032
Iron	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.002	--	14	0.041	U 0.008	--	1.32
Lead	7421/53113B	0.015	0.013	NE	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002
Magnesium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.01	--	19.3	10.1	ND<0.01	--	5.02
Manganese	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.001	--	3.54	0.016	ND<0.001	--	0.109
Mercury	7470/E245.1	0.002	0.0004	NE	ND<0.0002	--	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	--	ND<0.0002
Nickel	200.7/6010	0.1	0.88	NE	ND<0.001	--	0.004	0.004	ND<0.001	--	0.002
Potassium	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.1	--	9.3	6.4	ND<0.1	--	1.5
Sodium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.1	--	69.6	77.2	ND<0.1	--	8.5
Vanadium	200.7/6010	0.05	NE	NE	ND<0.002	--	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--	0.01
Zinc	200.7/6010	5	0.123	NE	ND<0.002	--	0.004	U 0.008	U 0.006	--	0.004

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SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	EB-043009	TB-043009	MW-3	MW-4	EB-050409	TB-050409	SW-A
SAMPLING DATE					4/30/2009	4/30/2009	5/4/2009	5/4/2009	5/4/2009	5/4/2009	5/6/2009
COMMENTS					Field Blank	Tap Blank			Field Blank	Tap Blank	Surface Water
WELL DEPTH (ft.)							18.66	22.95			
LOCATION							F101	F101			SW-A
Other Analyses (mg/l)											
Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	SM2320B				ND<20	--	109	37.7	ND<20	--	47.2
Ammonia as Nitrogen	SM500NH3				0.05	--	0.59	0.06 U	0.04	--	0.04
B.O.D./5 day	SM5210B				ND<4.0	--	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	--	ND<4.0
C.O.D.	SM5220D				ND<10	--	13	ND<10	ND<10	--	20
Chloride	300.0/9056				ND<3.0	--	160	180	ND<3.0	--	24
Hardness (CaCO ₃)	300.0/9056				ND<0.10	--	210	147	ND<0.10	--	66.1
Nitrate as Nitrogen	300.0/9056				ND<0.05	--	0.07 U	4.1	0.09	--	0.05
Nitrite as Nitrogen	E965Z				ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01
Phosphorus, as P	9010/3353				ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--	ND<0.01
Sulfate	300.0/9056				ND<3.0	--	54	43	ND<3.0	--	10
Tot. Diss. Solids	SM2540C				ND<10	--	510	460	ND<10	--	110
Tot. Org. Carbon	415.1/SW9060				ND<1.0	--	2.1	1.4	ND<1.0	--	5.6
Total Suspended Solids	SM2540D				ND<5.0	--	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	--	ND<5.0
Field Screening Data											
Turbidity (NTU)					--	--	0.7	0	--	--	0
Conductivity (uS/cm)					--	--	794	755	--	--	200
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)					--	--	0	4.86	--	--	7.29
ORP (mV)					--	--	-36	202	--	--	177
pH					--	--	5.61	5.44	--	--	5.88
Temperature (°C)					--	--	14.08	11.33	--	--	12.18

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6. ND: compound not detected
7. Blank spaces, "--" or "NA" indicate compound not analyzed
8. uS/cm: microsiemens per centimeter.
9. ug/l: micrograms per liter, mg/l: milligrams per liter
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SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	SW-B	SW-C	SW-D	SW-E	SW-F	TB:050609
SAMPLING DATE					5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009
COMMENTS					Surface Water	Tap Blank				
WELL DEPTH (ft.):										
LOCATION:					SW-B	SW-C	SW-D	SW-E	SW-F	
Volatile Organic Compounds (ug/l)	524.2	(ug/l)	(ug/l)	(ug/l)						
1,1-Dichloroethane		70	NE	3,000	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		70	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		600	170,000	5,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichloroethane		1	2,970	6.5	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,4-Dichlorobenzene		75	26,000	1,400	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Benzene		1	710	130	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Bromobenzene		NE	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chlorobenzene		100	420,000	1,600	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chloroform		6	14,100	26	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
cis-1,2-Dichloroethane		70	NE	830	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Methyl Ethyl Ketone		400	NE	50,000	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
sec-Butylbenzene		61	NE	1,500	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Tetrachloroethene		5	88	340	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Toluene		1,000	4,000,000	7,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Trichloroethene		5	2,340	27	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Vinyl chloride		2	15,750	1.6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Total Metals (mg/l)										
Aluminum	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	0.036	0.109	0.039	0.172	0.021	--
Arsenic	200.7/6010	0.05	0.004	NE	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	--
Barium	6010/E200.7	1	NE	NE	0.02	0.013	0.013	0.018	0.036	--
Cadmium	6010/E200.7	5	6	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--
Calcium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	20.6	32	20.5	19.9	43.1	--
Chromium, total	P/E 1	50	NE	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	--
Copper	6010/E200.7	13	0.048	NE	0.002	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.002	--
Iron	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	0.516	0.58	0.063	0.895	0.637	--
Lead	7421/S3119B	0.015	0.013	NE	0.003	0.003	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	--
Magnesium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	6.95	6.96	4.69	4.79	9.13	--
Manganese	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	0.072	0.532	0.013	0.047	0.22	--
Mercury	7470/E245.1	0.002	0.0004	NE	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	--
Nickel	200.7/6010	0.1	0.88	NE	0.004	0.024	0.002	0.002	0.001	--
Potassium	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	4.1	4.1	2.3	1.6	4.1	--
Sodium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	9.8	12	8.8	22.5	42.4	--
Vanadium	200.7/6010	0.05	NE	NE	0.011	0.014	0.012	ND<0.002	0.003	--
Zinc	200.7/6010	5	0.123	NE	0.011	0.013	0.004	0.008	0.008	--

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SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	SW-B	SW-C	SW-D	SW-E	SW-F	TB:050609
SAMPLING DATE					5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009	5/6/2009
COMMENTS					Surface Water	Trip Blank				
WELL DEPTH (ft.)										
LOCATION:					SW-B	SW-C	SW-D	SW-E	SW-F	
Other Analyses (mg/l)										
Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	SM2320B				22.2	54.3	35.9	30.1	68.2	--
Ammonia as Nitrogen	S4500NH3				0.08	0.19	0.07	0.06	0.09	--
B.O.D./5 day	SM5210B				ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	8.5	--
C.O.D.	SM5220-D				25	11	ND<10	13	ND<10	--
Chloride	300.0/9056				38	13	12	38	110	--
Hardness (CaCO ₃)	300.0/9056				80.1	109	70.5	69.4	145	--
Nitrate as Nitrogen	300.0/9056				0.08	0.37	0.19	0.08	0.18	--
Nitrite as Nitrogen	E3652				ND<0.01	0.02	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--
Phosphorus as P	9010/3353				ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	--
Sulfate	300.0/9056				27	58	35	19	22	--
Tot. Diss. Solids	SM2540C				150	170	120	150	320	--
Tot. Org. Carbon	115.1/SW906B				4.9	3.3	2.5	3.9	2.5	--
Total Suspended Solids	SM2540D				ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	6.5	ND<5.0	--
Field Screening Data										
Turbidity (NTU)					0	0	0	2.3	0	--
Conductivity (uS/cm)					238	283	201	285	522	--
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)					10.25	9.1	11.15	9.81	11.25	--
ORP (mV)					125	115	174	172	59	--
pH					6.38	6.31	5.67	5.07	5.75	--
Temperature (°C)					18.02	15.91	10.51	11.16	12	--

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SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	38-MWRD	41-MWRD	65-MWRD	202-SRD	206-SRD	211-SRD
SAMPLING DATE					5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009
COMMENTS					Active	Active	Active	Active	Active	Active
WELL DEPTH (ft.)					Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
LOCATION					Meadowood Road	Meadowood Road	Meadowood Road	Separatist Road	Separatist Road	Separatist Road
Volatile Organic Compounds (ug/l)	524.2	(ug/l)	(ug/l)	(ug/l)						
1,1-Dichloroethane		70	NE	3,000	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene		70	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichlorobenzene		600	170,000	5,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,2-Dichloroethane		1	2,970	6.5	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
1,4-Dichlorobenzene		75	26,000	1,400	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Benzene		1	710	130	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Bromobenzene		NE	NE	NE	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chlorobenzene		100	420,000	1,800	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Chloroform		5	14,100	26	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	0.99	1.6
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene		70	NE	330	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Methyl Ethyl Ketone		400	NE	50,000	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
sec-Butylbenzene		61	NE	1,500	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Tetrachloroethene		5	88	340	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Toluene		1,000	4,000,000	7,100	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Trichloroethene		5	2,340	27	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Vinyl chloride		2	15,750	1.6	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50	ND<0.50
Total Metals (mg/l)										
Aluminum	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	ND<0.010	ND<0.010	ND<0.010	ND<0.010	ND<0.010	ND<0.010
Arsenic	200.7/6010	0.05	0.004	NE	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004	ND<0.004
Barium	6010/E200.7	1	NE	NE	0.012	ND<0.002	0.012	0.008	ND<0.002	0.01
Cadmium	6010/E200.7	5	6	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Calcium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	39.6	17.1	23.3	27.1	37	32.6
Chromium, total	P.E.L.	50	NE	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Copper	6010/E200.7	1.3	0.048	NE	0.001	ND<0.001	0.207	0.012	0.006	0.006
Iron	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	0.09	0.09	0.022	0.041	0.018	0.044
Lead	7421/S3113B	0.015	0.013	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.004	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.002
Magnesium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	7.46	3.02	8.58	6.75	6.48	7.94
Manganese	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	0.437	0.078	0.004	0.002	0.002	0.056
Mercury	7470/E245.1	0.002	0.0004	NE	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002	ND<0.0002
Nickel	200.7/6010	0.1	0.88	NE	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Potassium	6010/E200.7	NE	NE	NE	1.8	1	2.4	2.6	4.8	3.5
Sodium	200.7/6010	NE	NE	NE	7.4	6	21	6.8	10	11.5
Vanadium	200.7/6010	0.05	NE	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002
Zinc	200.7/6010	5	0.123	NE	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.042	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002

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SAMPLE DESIGNATION	METHOD	RSR GAGPC	RSR SWPC	RSR RVC	08-MWRD	41-MWRD	65-MWRD	202-SRD	206-SRD	211-SRD
SAMPLING DATE					5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009	5/7/2009
COMMENTS:					Active	Active	Active	Active	Active	Active
WELL DEPTH (ft.):					Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
LOCATION:					Meadowood Road	Meadowood Road	Meadowood Road	Separatist Road	Separatist Road	Separatist Road
Other Analyses (mg/l)										
Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	SM2320B				97.8	47.2	48.9	55.5	75.6	73
Ammonia as Nitrogen	S4500NH3				0.12 U	0.07 U	0.04 U	0.03 U	0.04 U	0.05 U
B.O.D./5 day	SM5210B				ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0	ND<4.0
C.O.D.	SM5220D				ND<10	ND<10	ND<10	ND<10	ND<10	ND<10
Chloride	300.0/9056				17	5	26	22	25	31
Hardness (CaCO ₃)	300.0/9056				130	55.1	93.5	95.5	119	114
Nitrate as Nitrogen	300.0/9056				ND<0.05	ND<0.05	9.6	0.73	2.5	3.3
Nitrite as Nitrogen	E365/2				ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01
Phosphorus, as P	9010/335.3				ND<0.01	0.04	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01
Sulfate	300.0/9056				20	13	21	17	19	19
Tot. Diss. Solids	SM2540C				170	93	190	140	170	180
Tot. Org. Carbon	415.1/SW/9060				ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0	ND<1.0
Total Suspended Solids	SM2540D				ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0	ND<5.0
Field Screening Data										
Turbidity (NTU)					9.7	2.9	11.5	3.5	1.8	2.9
Conductivity (uS/cm)					284	141	296	228	284	298
Dissolved Oxygen (ppm)					8.31	7.52	8.33	8.91	6.17	9.64
ORP (mV)					172	100	188	181	160	174
pH					7.09	7.31	6.54	7.18	7.08	7.08
Temperature (°C)					12.07	13.76	13.71	12.25	13.93	12.2

Notes and Abbreviations:

1. Samples were submitted to Phoenix Environmental Laboratories, Inc., Manchester, CT
2. RSR GA GPC: Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP) Remediation Standard Regulations (RSR) Groundwater Protection Criteria.
3. RSR SWPC: CTDEP RSR Surface Water Protection Criteria
4. RSR RVC: CTDEP RSR Proposed Residential Volatilization Criteria
5. NE: RSR criteria not established
6. ND: compound not detected
7. Blank spaces, "-" or "NA" indicate compound not analyzed
8. uS/cm: microsiemens per centimeter.
9. ug/l: micrograms per liter, mg/l: milligrams per liter
10. NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Units.
11. Methods are EPA unless otherwise specified.
12. Organic qualifier codes: (J): estimated result; (U): not detected above associated value
13. Inorganic qualifier codes: (U): not detected above associated value
14. Bold values exceed one or more of the RSRs

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**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to the Town Manager; Gregory Padick, Director of Planning; Curt Vincente, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jennifer Kaufman, Parks Coordinator
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Revised Planning, Acquisition, and Management Guidelines for Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation, Agricultural Properties and Conservation Easements

Subject Matter/Background

At the July 27, 2009 meeting the Town Council reviewed the Revised Planning, Acquisition, and Management Guidelines for Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation, Agricultural Properties and Conservation Easements. Town Council members recommended that staff edit the document to further clarify the guidelines.

Staff has incorporated the changes suggested by members of the Town Council.

As you recall from the July 27, 2009 meeting, in November 1995, the Town Council reviewed and approved the Planning, Management and Acquisition Guidelines for Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation, Agricultural Properties and Conservation Easements. In August 1997, this document was revised and again reviewed and approved by the Town Council. Since 1997, the Town of Mansfield has acquired and is managing over 2,000 acres of Town owned land and conservation easements.

Staff, along with members of the Open Space Preservation Committee, the Parks Advisory Committee, the Conservation Commission and the Agriculture Committee, has recently updated these guidelines.

Changes to the original document include reversing the order of acquisition and management to reflect how the process actually occurs and the inclusion of open space dedications associated with the PZC/IWA application process. In addition, the following documents have been included in the guidelines as appendices:

- Pertinent sections from the 2006 Plan of Conservation and Development
- A sample lease for agriculture land
- A sample management plan
- The Town's non-native invasive species policy

- A conservation easement abstract and conservation easement inspection form

The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) reviewed these revised guidelines at its meeting of July 6, 2009. The attached letter from the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the proposed guidelines subject to the addition of a sentence that would provide the PZC/IWA an opportunity to comment on any approved regulatory open space dedication that, pursuant to the guidelines, needs subsequent Town Council approval. Staff has reviewed PZC's comments and made the suggested revisions to the guidelines.

Financial Impact

None

Recommendation

Unless Council members wish to make further revisions, staff recommends that the Town Council adopt the updated guidelines.

If the Town Council supports this recommendation, the following motion is in order:

Move, effective August 24, 2009, to approve the 2009 update of the Planning, Acquisition and Management Guidelines for Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation, Agricultural Properties and Conservation Easements.

Attached

- 1) Proposed 2009 update to Planning, Acquisition, and Management Guidelines for Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation, Agricultural Properties and Conservation Easements (revised per the August 13, 2009 meeting)
- 2) July 7, 2009 letter from the Planning and Zoning Commission
- 3) Planning, Management and Acquisition Guidelines, Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation and Agricultural Properties (Approved by Mansfield Town Council Nov. 13, 1995, revisions approved Aug. 25, 1997)

Planning, Acquisition, and Management Guidelines, Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation, Agricultural Properties and Conservation Easements

(Approved by Mansfield Town Council Nov. 13, 1995, revisions approved Aug. 25, 1997 and xxx2009)

Background

This document serves to guide the Town of Mansfield as it plans, acquires and manages the following:

- Open space, park, and recreation areas
- Agricultural properties
- Open space acquired as a result of subdivision, as appropriate
- Conservation easements

I Planning

- A. The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) has a statutory responsibility to periodically review and update the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), including open space, recreation and agricultural elements. Appendix J of the 2006 POCD contains a listing of Significant Conservation and Wildlife Resources. Appendix K contains the Open Space Acquisition Priority Criteria. These pertinent sections of the POCD are contained in **Attachment A**.
- B. The Town Council, Conservation Commission, Agriculture Committee, Open Space Preservation Committee, Parks Advisory Committee, Recreation Advisory Committee, Historical Society, various staff members and the public shall directly assist the PZC with its review and updating of the POCD. Interim studies and reports shall be encouraged on specific areas of Town and on various aspects of local goals to promote recreational opportunities and to protect and enhance valuable natural, agricultural or historic resources.
- C. The PZC and Inland Wetland Agency periodically shall review and update land use regulations to help implement community goals and objectives regarding the protection and enhancement of natural, agricultural, historic and recreational resources.
- D. The Town Council shall consider on an annual basis the allocation of funds and taxation policies to help implement community goals regarding the protection and enhancement of natural, agricultural, historic and recreational resources.

II Acquisition

Planning and Zoning Commission/Inland Wetlands Agency (IWA) Application/Approval Process

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The Town Manager is authorized to receive for the Town any open space/conservation easement acquisition approved by the PZC/IWA application process. However, in the event that the Town Council disagrees with PZC/IWA recommendation for the proposed acquisition, the Town Manager is not authorized to accept the acquisition without specific Town Council authorization.

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Before acting however, the Town Council will provide PZC/IWA the opportunity to justify their recommendation.

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A. The procedure for reviewing open space/conservation easement acquisitions associated with the PZC application/approval process is detailed below.

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B. Proposed open space/conservation easements associated with the PZC application/approval process shall be referred for comment to the Open Space Preservation Committee, the Town Council, the Conservation Commission, and as appropriate, the Parks Advisory Committee, the Recreation Advisory Committee, and the Agriculture Committee.

C. Proposed open space/conservation easements associated with the PZC application/approval process shall be evaluated by taking into account site and neighborhood characteristics, the proposed development layout, natural, historic, cultural and scenic resource information, and priority criteria contained in Mansfield's POCD and regulatory provisions.

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D. Comments from committees shall be forwarded to the PZC/IWA and the Town Council. As deemed necessary, the PZC/IWA and/or the Town Council may obtain expert advice to address management concerns and potential liabilities.

E. Any Town Council comments or recommendations, including any obtained expert advice, shall be forwarded to PZC/IWA in association with the application review process.

F. If a public hearing is held as part of the PZC/IWA application process, committee and Town Council comments shall be submitted prior to the close of the public hearing.

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¶ The Town Manager is authorized to receive for the Town any open space dedication or conservation easement approved by the PZC/IWA application process. However, in the event that the Town Council expresses strong concern or opposition to a proposed open space dedication or conservation easement as part of the PZC IWA application process, the Town Manager is not authorized to accept the dedication without specific Town Council authorization. ¶

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B. Other potential open space acquisitions

1. Step I-Committee Reviews

In response to a Town Council or staff referral or a committee initiative, the Open Space Preservation Committee shall conduct preliminary reviews of potential acquisitions and/or conservation easements. Potential acquisitions shall be evaluated based on resource information and priority criteria contained in Mansfield's POCD. As deemed appropriate, property owners shall be contacted, sites shall be visited and the Town's other land use commissions and committees shall be consulted. Available properties worthy of further consideration shall be referred to the Town Council with a background report. Said report shall identify important site characteristics and potential benefits. In addition, potential liabilities, management concerns and costs shall be noted.

2 Step II-Town Council Review

The Town Council shall review the Open Space Preservation Committee report. In instances where deemed necessary to maintain the confidentiality of the transaction, the Open Space Preservation Committee report shall be discussed in executive session. As deemed appropriate, the Town Council shall take a field trip to the site. Where multiple properties are being reviewed, the Town Council may schedule a meeting (in executive session when necessary) with the Open Space Preservation Committee to consider priorities.

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3.. Step III-Negotiations, Grant Applications

After evaluation of site characteristics, potential benefits and management needs, the Town Council shall authorize the Town Manager to begin preliminary negotiations with property owners of land deemed suitable for further consideration. If appropriate, and if grant funds are available, the Town Manager shall direct staff to complete a grant application to subsidize the purchase of the identified property.

4. Step IV-Appraisals, Consultants

Depending on preliminary negotiations, the Town Council may authorize the Town Manager to hire a real estate appraiser to prepare an opinion of value or appraisal report for potential properties or portions of said property. In addition, the Town Council may authorize the Town Manager to retain other expert advice to inform the Council on other management concerns and/or potential liabilities.

5 Step V-Purchase Agreements

Subject to Town Council authorization, the Town Manager may negotiate and execute purchase agreements for potential acquisitions. Said purchase agreements shall be conditional upon final approval by the Town Council, following a Public Hearing. As appropriate, the Town Manager may utilize specialists, such as the Trust for Public Land, to negotiate and facilitate agreements.

6. Step VI-Public Hearing

The Town Council shall hold a Public Hearing to receive public comment regarding a proposed purchase. Prior to the Public Hearing, neighboring property owners shall be notified by staff and, in situations where a referral has not yet taken place, the proposed purchase shall be referred to the PZC pursuant to Section 8-24 C.G.S.

7.. Step VII-Town Council Vote

Following the Public Hearing, the Town Council shall vote on whether to acquire the subject property.

8 Step VIII-Property Preparation

After the Town Council votes to acquire the property, and before a management plan is approved, Town Staff, relevant committee members and other volunteers shall take appropriate

steps to prepare the property for Town ownership. These steps may include, but are not limited to:

- Gathering information from abutters regarding management issues/concerns
- Creating safe access
- Surveying land and marking boundaries, if appropriate
- Developing a map including boundary information, existing notable features such as trails, waterways, buildings and vistas

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C. Sale of Town-owned Properties

In general, it is the Town's policy not to sell land or conservation restrictions acquired by the Town through purchase, donation or as a result of a PZC/IWA subdivision application process. In some instances, a deed restriction may prevent the Town from selling Town-owned land. In the unusual instances where Town lands and easements may be transferred to private ownership, clear benefit to the Town must be demonstrated. In these instances, the Town Council shall refer the property to PZC pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and hold a Public Hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed sale. In addition, staff shall notify neighboring property owners of the proposed sale.

D. Leasing of Town-owned Properties

1. Agricultural Land

The policy goals of the Town 2006 POCD encourage sustainable agricultural land use, and the conservation and preservation of Mansfield's agricultural resources (p.4). For this reason, when the Town acquires farmland or land with prime agriculture soils, it is Town policy that this land be actively farmed. When the Town initiates an agricultural lease of Town property, there shall be a formal "Request for Agricultural Services." The Town shall publish a legal notice requesting sealed proposals no less than 10 days prior to the date the proposals are due. ~~The Town Manager, with advice from the Agriculture Committee, shall be responsible for selecting the services rendered and for monitoring the leases.~~ A sample lease for Town-owned agricultural land is contained as **Attachment B**.

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2. Other Land

In instances where an individual requests to lease Town-owned property, this request shall be referred to the Open Space Preservation Committee and any other relevant committee to review. In general, it is the Town's policy to lease only Town-owned agricultural lands. In the rare instance when the Town agrees to lease other Town-owned land to a private party, clear benefit to the Town must be demonstrated. In these instances, the Town Council shall refer the property to PZC pursuant to Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and hold a Public Hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed lease. In addition, staff shall notify neighboring property owners of the proposed lease.

III Managing Town Parks, Preserves, Open Space and Agricultural Land

A. Step I-Management Plan Assignments

The Town Manager, with the advice of committees and Town staff, shall assign the support role of a draft management plan to the appropriate Town staff, with input from appropriate committees.

As a general rule, the preparation of a draft management plan shall be a coordinated effort involving the Conservation Commission, Agriculture Committee, Parks Advisory Committee, Recreation Advisory Committee, Open Space Preservation Committee, Town staff, and, as appropriate, the PZC, Inland Wetland Agency and Beautification Committee. Responsibility for preparing a written draft management plan will be as follows:

- 1) The Conservation Commission shall provide input for draft management plans for undeveloped open space areas;
- 2) The Agriculture Committee shall provide input for draft management plans for properties with existing or proposed agricultural or horticultural uses;
- 3) The Parks Advisory Committee shall provide input for draft management plans for existing or proposed park areas with trails, community gardens or other recreational facilities;
- 4) The Recreation Advisory Committee shall provide input for draft management plans for properties with existing or proposed playgrounds or athletic fields.
- 5) The Open Space Preservation Committee shall provide input for draft management plans for properties with special characteristics reviewed during the acquisition process.

B. Step II-Drafting the Management Plan

1) Format

Management plans shall be prepared utilizing the general format contained in **Attachment C**. Each plan shall summarize the information gathered and presented during the acquisition process. In addition, the management plan shall document important site characteristics, concerns, and goals for the use of the property as well as recommended management and monitoring actions.

2) Invasive Species

Pursuant to Mansfield's Non-Native Invasive Species Policy (included as **Attachment D**) adopted on the staff level after briefing the Town Council at their 11/22/04 meeting, management plans shall include the development and implementation of an invasives control plan and prohibit the use of species banned by Public Act 04-203 of the State of Connecticut, with any subsequent revisions.

3) Fiscal Notes and Budget Considerations

Fiscal notes estimating the costs associated with managing the property shall be included as an attachment to the management plan. These fiscal notes shall serve to guide the Town Council and committee members as to *estimated* projected costs associated with implementing the management plan. More precise cost estimates shall be prepared annually for budget consideration by the Town Manager and Town Council as part of the annual Capitol Improvement Budget. When available, sources of grant assistance shall be investigated and

grant applications shall be prepared by staff to implement goals and objectives stated in the management plan.

4) Naming the Property

The proposed name of the property shall be included in the draft management plan. In general, the Town of Mansfield shall name properties after a significant natural or historic feature. In some instances, it shall be deemed appropriate by the advisory committees, the Town Council, the PZC or staff to name a property in a different manner. Naming of properties after a person shall be limited to those properties that have been donated to the Town or made a specific condition of acquisition. In all cases, the Town Council, with advice from advisory committees and the PZC, shall make the final decision regarding the name of the property.

C. Step III-Staff and Committee Review

Staff shall provide comment and circulate the draft management plan to appropriate committees for final review before an abutters' review and public comment.

D. Step IV-Abutters' Review

After the preparation of a draft management plan or significant changes in a plan, the responsible staff member or committee member shall notify abutting property owners and schedule an abutters' meeting to provide opportunity for neighborhood comment.

E. Step V-Town Council Review

The Town Council shall review draft management plans or significant changes in a plan and, as deemed appropriate obtain additional information from the Town's various land use commissions/committees and staff. ~~The Town Council may choose to hold a Public Hearing to receive public input to the plan.~~

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F. Step VI-Town Council Approval

The Town Council shall approve a new management plan or significant changes to an existing plan for Town-owned properties.

G. Step VII-Implementation

Implementing management plans shall be a coordinated effort among Town staff, advisory committee members, and volunteer stewards. Implementation shall be coordinated through the Parks and Recreation Department but may include staff from various other Town departments including the Department of Public Works, Planning Department, etc.

Plan implementation may include but will not be limited to:

- Structural improvements for public access and safety (such as establishing a parking area, constructing trails, improving wheelchair accessibility)

- Ecological management (such as inventorying natural resources, managing and controlling invasive species, encouraging native habitats, improving wildlife habitat)
- Maintenance of parking areas, signage, and boundary markers
- Monitoring of plan goals and objectives to ensure effective implementation
- Public outreach including public information and interpretive guides and maps, and use for education and research

H. Step VIII-Monitoring

Site conditions, including any new improvements, shall be monitored in accordance with the schedule established in the approved management plan by staff or appropriate volunteers. Any problems or issues uncovered shall be reviewed by staff and the commission /committee members that assisted in the preparation of the management plan. As appropriate, problems or issues shall be referred to the Town Council.

I. Step IX-Management Plan Update

The management plan(s) shall be updated as per the approved schedule or as often as deemed necessary by the Town Council or by the commissions/committees.

IV Management of Conservation or Agricultural Easements

A specific management plan is not needed for conservation or agricultural easements unless public access, trails or other municipal interests not adequately addressed in the easement are involved. If a management plan is appropriate, a draft shall be prepared, using the steps detailed in Section III of these guidelines. The Conservation Commission, with staff assistance, shall be responsible for periodically monitoring Mansfield's existing Conservation Easements. **Attachment E** contains a Conservation Easement Abstract and Monitoring/Inspection Form. The Agriculture Committee, with staff assistance, shall be responsible for periodically monitoring any agricultural easements.

Problems or issues uncovered shall be reviewed with staff. As appropriate, problems or issues shall be referred to the Town Council, PZC, or Inland Wetland Agency, depending on the specific easement document.

Attachment A
Pertinent Documents from the 2006 POCD

2006 MANSFIELD PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Effective Date: April 15, 2006

Adopted by Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission: January 17, 2006

Endorsed by Mansfield Town Council: January 9, 2006

APPENDIX K-OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION PRIORITY CRITERIA

The following open space acquisition criteria, are provided to assist in the evaluation of potential sites for additional preserved open space. All open space acquisition decisions should be based on a comprehensive review of specific site characteristics, information contained or referenced in this Plan and information obtained through an active public notice and review process. The listed criteria are not weighted to help establish priorities, but in general, sites that address multiple primary categories or that would be of town-wide significance in addressing a goal or objective of this Plan would have a higher priority than sites that address fewer primary categories or do not have Townwide significance. It also is noted that land availability, acquisition costs and budgetary priorities will also significantly influence open space acquisition decisions.

1. Identified or specifically referenced as a potential conservation, preservation or recreational area within Mansfield's Plan of Conservation and Development, the WINCOG Regional Land Use Plan or the Connecticut Policies Plan for Conservation and Development
 - Identified as a potential conservation area on Map 21
 - Identified as within one of Mansfield's significant conservation and wildlife resource areas in Appendix J
2. Conserves or preserves historic or archaeological resources
 - Site is located within or adjacent to a Plan-identified village area (see Map #5)
 - Site contains historic structures, sites or features including, but not limited to mill sites, cemeteries, foundations, stone walls (see Map 2)
 - Site is a recorded archaeological site
3. Conserves, preserves or protects notable wildlife habitats and/or plant communities
 - Site includes species listed by State or Federal agencies as endangered, threatened or of special concern (see Map #11 for DEP Natural Diversity Data Base data)
 - Site contains or helps protect vernal pools, marshes, cedar swamps, grasslands, waterbodies or other notable plant or animal habitats
 - Site is within a designated large contiguous interior forest area (see Map #11)
 - Site includes a diversity of habitats
4. Conserves, preserves or protects important surface or groundwater resources
 - Site is located within or proximate to a State-designated wellfield aquifer area, potential stratified drift wellfield area or existing public water supply well
 - Site is proximate to the Willimantic Reservoir or tributary watercourses and waterbodies
 - Site contains or is adjacent to significant wetlands, watercourses or waterbodies and acquisition will significantly help to protect the water resource
 - Site contains a flood hazard area
5. Conserves, preserves or protects agricultural or forestry land
 - Site contains prime agricultural soils or agricultural soils of State-wide significance, (particularly important when in association with an existing agricultural use)

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- Site is located within an existing agricultural area such as the area in southwestern Mansfield along Mansfield City Road, Stearns Road, Browns Road, Crane Hill Road and Pleasant Valley Road
 - Site contains prime forestry soils (particularly important when located within a large contiguous interior forest area or within a site implementing a long-term forest management plan)
 - Site would provide a significant buffer for an existing agricultural use
6. Conserves, preserves or protects important scenic resources
- Site contains scenic overlooks, ridgelines, open fields, meadows, river valleys and other areas or features of particular scenic importance. (Information contained on Map 12 should be utilized in considering relative scenic importance.)
 - Site contains significant roadside features such as specimen trees and noteworthy stone walls
 - Site abuts a Town-designated Scenic Road
 - Site is visible from existing roadways, trails and/or readily accessible public spaces
 - Site contributes to the scenic quality of one of Mansfield's historic village areas
7. Creates or enhances connections
- Site is located along the Willimantic River, the Nipmuck Trail or other State-recognized greenway or a potential town-wide or multi-town greenway or trail system
 - Site would expand an existing park or preserved open space area and contribute to a continuous area of open space, protect a wildlife corridor, and/or provide a new trail access between open space properties or from existing roads or subdivisions to open space properties)
 - Site would provide a new linkage from an existing or proposed residential neighborhood to an open space/park area, school or commercial area
 - Site provides a buffer area for existing trails
8. Creates or enhances recreational opportunity
- Site is physically suitable for future ballfields and other active recreational use
 - Site abuts an existing school, playground or active recreational site
 - Site provides new boating or fishing access to the Willimantic River or other significant watercourses or waterbodies
 - Site abuts or is within the watershed of existing outdoor public swimming site, such as Bicentennial Pond in Schoolhouse Brook Park
 - Site is located within or proximate to existing areas of higher-density/residential development

Attachment B
Sample Lease for Agriculture Land

LEASE AGREEMENT

Made the day of 2005, between the Town of Mansfield, acting herein by Matthew W. Hart, its Town Manager, a municipal corporation located in the County of Tolland, State of Connecticut, hereinafter referred to as "Lessor," and [insert name of farmer] , hereinafter referred to as "Lessee".

WITNESSETH

That the said Lessor, for and in consideration of the covenants hereinafter reserved and contained, and to be kept and fulfilled on the part of said Lessee, has let and by these presents does grant, demise and farm let unto said Lessee for an initial sixty (60) month term or five (5) planting seasons.

AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED that if Lessee is found to be in default of any of the covenants herein contained, Lessor shall cause written notice of said default to be sent, by Certified Mail, to Lessee. In the event Lessee takes no steps to cure said default within fifteen (15) days after mailing of said notice, then it shall be lawful for Lessor, without further notice to re-enter and take possession of said leased premises, and such re-entry and taking possession shall end and terminate this lease.

AND THE SAID LESSEE does hereby further agree to comply with and conform to all the laws of the State of Connecticut, and the by-laws, rules, and regulations of the Town of Mansfield within which the premises hereby leased are situated, relating to health, nuisance, fire, highways, and sidewalks, so far as the premises hereby leased are, or may be, concerned, and to save the Lessor harmless from all fines, penalties, and costs for violation of, or non-compliance with, the same.

THE LESSEE will maintain the fields in good agricultural condition and will mow the field at least once a year.

THE LESSEE will submit by November 30 of each year a form enclosed in Attachment B to:

The Mansfield Parks Coordinator
Parks and Recreation
10 South Eagleville Rd.
Storrs, CT 06268
860-429-3015x110
860-429-9773 (FAX)

Any restricted use pesticide must be applied by a licensed applicator. The plan will conform to agricultural practices recommended by the CT Cooperative Extension System or a comparable advisor.

The LESSEE agrees to refrain from the long-term storage of manure on the site. The temporary storage of hay is allowed until November 1 of each year.

THE LESSEE shall not cut, other than pruning, destroy or remove any trees without the consent of the Town of Mansfield, said consent to be in writing, and not unreasonably withheld; nor introduce farm or domestic animals; nor install any fencing.

At the end of the five (5) year period, beginning with the effective date of this lease, and at the end of any succeeding five (5) year term agreed to by the parties, the Lessor may review the terms and conditions of the lease to determine if it is in the best interests of the Town to continue the lease for additional five (5) year term and if so, whether any changes will be made in the lease at the discretion of the Lessor. The Lessee may terminate the lease with written notification prior to November 30 of any year. If the Lessee fails to meet the terms of the lease as contained herein, the Lessor may terminate the lease with a one-month written notice.

AND AT THE TERMINATION of lease as provided for above, the Lessee will quit and surrender the premises

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hereby demised in as good state and condition as reasonable use and wear thereof will permit, damages by the elements excepted, and the said Lessor shall have the right to enter said premises for the same purpose of showing the same to applicants for hiring the same, at any time subsequent to the November 30 date. The Lessee shall have the first option of renewing this lease under terms to be set forth by the Town.

COMMENCING WITH the growing season of a year to be determined, the Lessee agrees to compensate the Lessor in an amount to be determined payable on or before February 1 of each year. Said amount will be negotiated prior to each subsequent growing season.

THE LESSEE and the Lessee's family shall be relieved of any obligation within this lease should the Lessee become incapacitated or unable to maintain the responsibilities entailed in this agreement.

THE LESSEE will maintain Workmen's Compensation coverage in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut if employees are hired to work the land. The Lessee will provide liability insurance with limits of not less than \$100,000.00 per occurrence, naming Lessor as an additional insured, insuring against loss or injury caused by Lessee's activity on the demised premises.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
In the Presence Of:

TOWN OF MANSFIELD

Attachment C
Sample Management Plan

Mansfield Preserve Management Plan

MANSFIELD LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR PARK, RECREATION, OR OPEN SPACE PROPERTY

NAME OF PROPERTY: Mansfield Preserve.

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Frontage on Gurley Road, Birch Drive and Main Street

MAP/BLOCK/LOT :

Smith Revocable Trust	10.43.35-1	28.76 acres	
Mansfield Heights Subdivision		10.43.12	1.6 acres
	<i>Total</i>		<i>30.36-acres</i>

PUBLIC ACCESS: Allowed, passive recreation only.

PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION: Open Space Preserve

PURCHASE INFORMATION:

Smith Revocable Trust: 28.76 acres for \$90,000 on 5/22/1996 from Open Space Fund.

Mansfield Heights Subdivision: 1.6 acres for \$1.00 on 9/27/1967

AGENCIES THAT HELPED PREPARE MANAGEMENT PLAN: Staff, Parks Advisory Committee, Open Space Preservation Committee

DATE MANAGEMENT PLAN WAS PREPARED: November 2007

REVISION DATES:

DATE OF TOWN COUNCIL APPROVAL:

COMMITTEE REVIEW DATE: PAC to review biannually

OVERVIEW

Mansfield Preserve is a 30-acre parcel with frontage on Gurley Road, Birch Drive, and Main Street. The property is primarily wooded and contains a portion of Bundy Brook and an approximately 4-acre agricultural field, currently in hay production and leased to a local farmer. There are remains of the former Bundy Homestead. The Chipmunk Trail runs through the eastern portion of the property connecting Joshua's Trust's Gurleyville Gristmill to UConn's Fenton River Forest Tract.

MANAGEMENT GOALS

A. Recreational

Maintain trail system in conjunction with Connecticut Forest and Parks Association.

B. Ecological

Maintain riparian buffer along Bundy Brook.

C. Agricultural

Encourage sustainable agricultural practices on the agricultural field.

D. Historical

Encourage interpretation of Bundy Homestead. Cooperate with Mansfield Historical Society and Joshua's Trust to preserve historical artifacts on the property.

INVENTORY

A. Notable Physical Characteristics

The northwestern portion of Mansfield Preserve contains a steeply sloping hemlock forest. The center of the property contains an approximately 4-acre agricultural field currently in hay production and leased to a local farmer. The eastern portion of the site contains a swampy area with an adjacent esker. Bundy Brook is located in the southern part of the forest. A mature stand of pines and other interesting vegetation is located along the Northern side of Bundy Brook.

B. Notable Special Features

Mansfield Preserve contains approximately 0.25 miles of the Chipmunk Trail, which connects Joshua's Trust's Gurleyville Gristmill to UConn's Fenton River Forest Tract. The main entrance to the property is off of Gurley Road, where there is adequate parking. The former Bundy Homestead site is located in the southwest corner of the site and contains foundations, a root cellar and stone walls.

C. Notable Concerns

Last revised on: 3/19/2009

Monitor the Bundy homestead area for debris. Obtain permanent easement for access to the field by farmer and for land management. The site contains steep slopes. Thus, trail should be planned to minimize erosion.

MANAGEMENT

A. Preparation

1. Develop, purchase and install appropriate preserve signage
2. Install boundary markers and signs as needed
3. Mark existing pedestrian trail leading out to Holly Drive (Torrey Trail).

B. Maintenance

1. Maintain trailheads and trails in conjunction with Connecticut Forest and Parks Association, which maintains the Chipmunk Trail.

C. Ecological Management

1. Prepare a natural resources inventory.
2. Based on the natural resource inventory, determine how to encourage native plant and animal communities and to control invasive plants.

D. Enhancements

1. Encourage public participation by recruiting and training a volunteer steward
2. Solicit educational and research use
3. Create an interpretive trail guide

E. Monitoring

1. Staff and/or volunteer annually monitor entrances, trails, and boundaries
2. Staff and/or volunteer annually update and review the management schedule

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 Aerial Photo
- Attachment 2 Trail Map
- Attachment 3 Bundy Preserve Abutters List
- Attachment 4 Fiscal Notes
- Attachment 5 Property Deeds

Last revised on: 3/19/2009

Appendix D
Non-Native Invasive Species Policy

Non-Native Invasive Species Policy- Adopted on the Staff level after briefing the Town Council at their 11/22/04 meeting.

To properly address non-native invasive species, use the resources available in the already established academic invasives community, and ultimately define the Town role, the Town enacted the following invasives policy:

The Town of Mansfield recognizes that the spread of invasive plants and animals is a serious environmental problem threatening our local natural ecosystems. Therefore, in the Town's continuing effort to preserve, restore, and protect native plant and animal communities of Mansfield, we establish this policy for invasives control.

- Include the development and implementation of an invasives control plan in Town properties' land management plans.
- Train staff and volunteers in control methods, and apply to selected sites.
- Educate residents about the invasives problem.
- Work with other groups concerned with invasives control.

Are you concerned about non-native invasive species such as Asiatic bittersweet, burning bush, multiflora rose, autumn olive, Russian olive and others? There are several excellent sources of information available through the Connecticut Invasive Plant Working Group (CIWPG), Invasive Plant Atlas of New England (IPANE), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

Attachment E
Conservation Easement Abstract
Conservation Easement Monitoring/Inspection Form

Mansfield Conservation Easement Abstract

Location of Easement (address): _____

Name of Property: _____

Subdivision (if applicable): _____

Original Grantor: _____

Assessor's Map: _____ Block: _____ Lot: _____

Date Easement filed on Land Record: _____

Size of Easement: _____

Current owner(s) (attach listing of all owners address and phone): _____

Method of Identifying Easement area (iron pins, medallions): _____

General Description of Easement area (special features, existing structures, roads, etc.):

Nature of Easement restrictions (notation of unique or special conditions): _____

Attachments (check all the apply)

- _____ Copy of Conservation Easement document
- _____ Survey Plan/Subdivision map
- _____ Topographic map with Easement boundaries
- _____ Aerial Photo
- _____ Photos with associated map/sketch indicating location and direction of photos
- _____ Record of ownership/property transfers
- _____ Monitoring Inspection Reports
- _____ Other (please describe)

Mansfield Conservation Easement Monitoring/Inspection Report

Location (address): _____

Name of property/subdivision: _____

Local contact/resident (as appropriate): _____

Monitoring visit notification:

Date letter was sent to owner/local contact: _____

Date/time of follow-up phone call: _____

Description of current land use abutting easement area: _____

Easement boundaries/markers (are boundaries present and visible): _____

Descriptions of observed human or natural alterations or encroachments to the
conservation area _____

Observations/Comments (List any potential problems/general condition of easement):

To the best of your knowledge and observation, are the terms/conditions of the
Conservation Easement being complied with? (please describe) _____

Method/nature of inspection (personal visit, aerial, walked boundaries/spot-check interior, etc.): _____

Date and Time of Inspection): _____

List all persons attending inspection (owner and others): _____

Monitor's name: _____

Monitor's signature: _____

Owner's/local contact's name and signature (where possible):

Attached support data (please describe) (i.e. photos, aerial photos, maps/illustrations/sketches, other): _____



PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
TOWN OF MANSFIELD

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Tuesday, July 07, 2009

To: Town Council
From: Planning and Zoning Commission
Re: 2009 Draft Update: Planning, Acquisition and Management Guidelines

At a meeting held on 7/6/09, the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously adopted the following motion:

"That the Planning and Zoning Commission communicate to the Town Council that it has reviewed the draft revisions to Mansfield's "Planning, Acquisition and Management Guidelines" and recommends approval subject to the addition of the following sentence at the end of the last paragraph of Section II.A: "In such event, before acting the Town Council will provide the PZC/IWA an opportunity to comment on the subject dedication or easement."

Planning, Management and Acquisition Guidelines,
Mansfield Open Space, Park, Recreation and Agricultural Properties

(Approved by Mansfield Town Council Nov. 13, 1995, revisions approved Aug. 25, 1997)

I Planning

A. The Planning and Zoning Commission has a statutory responsibility to periodically review and update the Town's Plan of Development, including open space, recreation and agricultural elements. In the 1993 Plan of Development, agricultural resources are addressed on pages 61 through 68; recreational facilities are addressed on pages 115 through 120 and open space issues are addressed on pages 126 through 148.

B. The Town Council, Conservation Commission, Agriculture Committee, Open Space Preservation Committee, Parks Advisory Committee, Recreation Advisory Committee, Historical Society, various staff members and the public shall directly assist the Planning and Zoning Commission with its review and updating of the Plan of Development. Interim studies and reports shall be encouraged on specific areas of Town and on various aspects of local goals to promote recreational opportunities and to protect and enhance valuable natural, agricultural or historic resources.

C. The Planning and Zoning Commission and Inland Wetland Agency periodically shall review and update land use regulations to help implement community goals and objectives regarding the protection and enhancement of natural, agricultural, historic and recreational resources.

D. The Town Council shall consider on an annual basis the allocation of funds and taxation policies to help implement community goals regarding the protection and enhancement of natural, agricultural, historic and recreational resources.

II Management of Existing Open Space, Park, Recreation and Agricultural Properties

A. Step I

The Town Manager, with the advice of committee members and other Town staff, shall assign the preparation of a draft management plan to the appropriate Town committee (see Step III).

B. Step II

Prior to the preparation of a draft management plan, or significant changes in a plan, the responsible committee (see step III) shall notify abutting property owners and provide opportunity for neighborhood comment.

C. Step III

A draft management plan or plans shall be prepared utilizing the Town Council approved format. Each plan shall document important site characteristics and any site concerns, immediate, short term and longer term goals for the use of the property and recommended management and monitoring actions. As a general rule, the preparation of a draft management plan shall be a coordinated effort involving the Conservation Commission, Agriculture Committee, Parks Advisory Committee, Recreation Advisory Committee, Open Space Preservation Committee, Town staff members and, as appropriate, the Planning and Zoning Commission, Inland Wetland Agency and Beautification Committee. Responsibility for preparing a written draft management plan will be as follows:

- 1) The Conservation Commission shall prepare draft management plans for undeveloped open space areas;
- 2) The Agriculture Committee shall prepare draft management plans for properties with existing or proposed agricultural or horticultural uses;
- 3) The Park Advisory Committee shall prepare draft management plans for existing or proposed park areas with trails, community gardens or other recreational facilities;
- 4) The Recreation Advisory Committee shall prepare draft management plans for properties with existing or proposed playgrounds or athletic fields.
- 5) The Open Space Preservation Committee shall prepare draft management plans for properties with special characteristics reviewed during the acquisition process.

D. Step IV

The Town Council reviews draft management plans and, as deemed appropriate, obtains additional information from the Town's various land use commissions and committees and staff. As deemed appropriate by the Town Council, a Public Hearing may be held.

E. Step V

The Town Council approves a specific management plan or plans or significant changes in a plan for Town owned open space/recreation properties.

F. Step VI

The committee preparing the draft plan (see Step II) in association with staff members shall take appropriate actions to implement Town Council approved management actions. As appropriate, cost estimates shall be prepared for budget consideration by the Town Manager and Town Council. As appropriate, sources of grant assistance shall be investigated and grant applications shall be prepared by staff. For projects requiring Planning and Zoning Commission or Inland Wetland Agency approval, formal applications shall be prepared, reviewed with the Town Council and submitted for approval. The Town Council shall retain

the right to make a final decision whether to implement the project and which committee shall have oversight responsibility.

G. Step VII

Site conditions, including any new improvements, shall be monitored in accordance with the schedule established in the approved management plan. Any problems or issues uncovered shall be reviewed by the commission or committee that prepared the draft management plan (see Step II) and staff. As appropriate, problems or issues shall be referred to the Town Council.

H. Step VIII

The management plan(s) shall be updated as per the approved schedule or as often as deemed necessary by the Town Council or by one of the committees.

III Management of Conservation or Agricultural Easements

The Conservation Commission, with staff assistance, shall be responsible for periodically monitoring Mansfield's existing Conservation Easements. The agriculture committee, with staff assistance, shall be responsible for periodically monitoring any agricultural easements. Any problems or issues uncovered shall be reviewed with staff. As appropriate, problems or issues shall be referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Inland Wetland Agency or Town Council, depending on the specific easement document. A specific management plan is not needed for conservation or agricultural easements unless public access, trails or other municipal interests not adequately addressed in the easement are involved. If a management plan is appropriate, a draft shall be prepared, using the steps detailed in Section II of these guidelines.

IV Acquisition of Open Space, Park, Recreation and Agricultural Properties

A. Step I

In response to a Town Council or staff referral or a committee initiative, the Open Space Preservation Committee shall conduct preliminary reviews of potential open space/recreation acquisitions. Potential acquisitions shall be evaluated based on resource information and priority criteria contained in Mansfield's Plan of Development, factors contained in an Open Space Matrix approved by the Town Council and Planning and Zoning Commission, other pertinent studies or reports and individualized knowledge of the Town. As deemed appropriate, property owners shall be contacted, sites shall be visited and the Town's other land use commissions and committees shall be consulted. Available properties worthy of further consideration shall be referred to the Town Council with a background report. Said report shall identify important site characteristics, recommended goals and potential uses.

B. Step II

The Town Council shall review the Open Space Preservation Committee report and, as deemed appropriate, the Town Council shall take a field trip to the site and refer the potential purchase (under Section 8-24 CGS) to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Where multiple properties are being reviewed, the Town Council may schedule an executive session meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission and Open Space Preservation Committee to consider priorities.

C. Step III

After evaluation of site characteristics and potential uses, the Town Council shall authorize the Town Manager to begin preliminary negotiations with property owners of land deemed suitable for further consideration.

D. Step IV

Depending on preliminary negotiations, the Town Council may authorize the Town Manager to hire a real estate appraiser to prepare an opinion of value or appraisal report for potential properties or portions of said property.

E. Step V

Subject to Town Council authorization, the Town Manager may negotiate and execute purchase agreements for potential acquisitions. Said purchase agreements shall be conditional upon final approval by the Town Council, following a Public Hearing. As appropriate, the Town Manager may utilize specialists, such as the Trust for Public Land, to negotiate and facilitate agreements.

F. Step VI

The Town Council shall hold a Public Hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed purchase. Prior to the Public Hearing, neighboring property owners shall be notified by staff and, in situations where a referral has not yet taken place, the proposed purchase shall be referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to Section 8-24 C.G.S.

G. Step VII

Following the Public Hearing, the Town Council shall vote on whether to acquire the subject property.

H. Step VIII

A Management Plan, as per Section II of these guidelines, shall be prepared for the acquired property.



**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Presentation: Probate Court Consolidation

Subject Matter/Background

The Honorable Judge Clair Twerdy of the Mansfield Probate Court will give a brief presentation to the Council regarding the consolidation of the probate courts.

I have attached information pertaining to the consolidation.

Attachments

- 1) State of Connecticut Office of the Probate Court Administrator re: Probate Court Redistricting Process (Memo dated July 13, 2009)
- 2) Probate Assembly 50 Court Proposal



Item #13

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TO: All Municipal Chief Elected Officials

FROM: Paul J. Knierim
Probate Court Administrator

DATE: July 13, 2009

RE: Probate Court Redistricting Process

CC: Regional Planning Agencies and Councils of Government

The recent passage of Public Act 09-114, An Act Concerning Probate Court Reforms and Establishing a Probate Redistricting Commission, will bring about significant changes for Connecticut's probate court system, including a reduction in the number of courts from the current 117 to a range of 44 to 50 courts. This memorandum is to alert you to the redistricting process that will be taking place this summer. Enclosed please find a summary of the timeline for redistricting.

Connecticut's probate judges have long enjoyed a strong and beneficial relationship with the municipalities in which the courts are located. While redistricting will result in many courts being merged into regional districts, it is our hope that the close connection between the probate court system and the communities that we serve will continue. If we collaborate in this effort, I am confident that we can build a more efficient probate court system while preserving the accessibility and service orientation that are so essential to the work of the our courts.

Public Act 09-114 establishes a 12-member Probate Redistricting Commission to determine the new probate districts. The commission is scheduled to convene for an organizational meeting on July 23, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Legislative Office Building. It is required to conduct at least one public hearing, which is yet to be scheduled.

Timeline for Probate Court Redistricting

Public Act 09-114, An Act Concerning Probate Court Reforms and Establishing a Probate Redistricting Commission, establishes a three-step redistricting process.

Phase 1:

The Connecticut Probate Assembly, which is the statewide association of probate judges, was afforded 45 days from passage to develop a redistricting plan. The Probate Assembly began working on a plan in May. Judges sought input from their municipal officials throughout the process. On July 8, 2009, the Probate Assembly overwhelmingly voted in favor of a 50 court redistricting plan.

Phase 2:

The Probate Assembly must submit its plan to the Probate Redistricting Commission. The commission is made up of 13 members, as follows.

- Two appointed by the Senate President
- Two appointed by the Speaker of the House
- Two appointed by the Senate Minority Leader
- Two appointed by the House Minority Leader
- One appointed by the Senate Majority Leader
- One appointed by the House Majority Leader
- Two appointed by the Governor
- The Probate Court Administrator as a non-voting, ex-officio member

The appointing authorities must make their appointments by July 9, 2009. The Probate Court Administrator has scheduled the first meeting of the commission for July 23, 2009.

The commission is not bound by the Probate Assembly plan and must hold a public hearing. The commission's deadline for developing a redistricting plan is September 15, 2009.

Phase 3:

Upon receipt of the commission's plan, the General Assembly will convene a special session to consider the commission's recommendations. While not an exact date, it would seem that the vote would take place in mid-October. Any redistricting plan approved by the General Assembly will then be presented to the Governor for her consideration.

All Municipal Chief Elected Officials

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This office will be providing administrative support for the commission and will post a list of the members as well as the meeting and public hearing notices, agendas, and minutes of the Redistricting Commission on our website, which is located at www.jud.ct.gov/probate. Follow the link to the Probate Redistricting Commission.

The legislation provides for the Connecticut Probate Assembly, which is the statewide association of judges, to submit its recommendations for a redistricting plan to the commission. I am very pleased to report that the Connecticut Probate Assembly voted overwhelmingly in favor of a 50 court proposal, which is enclosed. This plan balances the need to make the probate court system more efficient while maintaining the close connection between the courts and the communities that they serve. I urge the commission's favorable consideration of the Probate Assembly's plan.

Lastly, I have enclosed a "Frequently Asked Questions" document that addresses a number of issues that have been of interest to municipal officials. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have other questions or concerns.

Many of you have already contacted me about probate redistricting, and I very much appreciate your input. I look forward to working with you as we implement this important legislation.

Enclosures (2)

Public Act 09-114, An Act Concerning Probate Court Reforms and Establishing a Probate Redistricting Commission

Frequently Asked Questions of Interest to Municipal Officials

Public Act 09-114, An Act Concerning Probate Court Reforms and Establishing a Probate Redistricting Commission, will result in significant changes to Connecticut's probate court system. This document is intended to address questions concerning the legislation's impact on municipalities. Cities and towns have been vital partners with the probate courts since the inception of the system, and the people served by the courts will benefit enormously if we succeed in maintaining that mutually beneficial relationship.

What is the role of mayors, first selectmen, and local legislative bodies in the consolidation process?

Historically, court consolidations were initiated by the towns that wished to participate in a merger. The legislative bodies of each town would typically vote on a resolution to support the proposed consolidation. The General Assembly would then consider legislation to implement the merger.

P.A. 09-114 changes the manner in which consolidations will occur. The legislation establishes a 12-member Probate Redistricting Commission that must develop a redistricting plan by September 15, 2009. Once the commission has completed its work, the General Assembly will convene in a special session to consider the commission's recommendations. Any plan approved by the General Assembly will then be presented to the Governor for her consideration.

While the decision about the configuration of probate districts lies with the Redistricting Commission, the General Assembly, and the Governor, input from municipal officials is critical. City and town leaders are urged to collaborate with probate judges and neighboring towns and submit comments to the Redistricting Commission. In addition, the Redistricting Commission will be conducting a public hearing, which is yet to be scheduled. Meeting notices for the commission will be posted at www.jud.ct.gov/probate. Follow the link to the Probate Redistricting Commission.

Will larger courts cost towns more money?

P.A. 09-114 does not change the statutory obligations of municipalities towards their probate courts in any way. Under current law, cities and towns must provide facilities for probate courts and basic office requirements such as furnishings, copiers, document recording, telephone service, postage, stationery, and supplies.

Regional courts will provide some opportunities to reduce these office expenses. For example, a regional court will need only one copier, rather than three or four, and one set of stationery, rather than several. Significant savings can also be achieved in the areas of dedicated phone lines and electronic document storage systems. By reducing the number of lines and storage systems to 50, we estimate that municipalities statewide would enjoy an aggregate savings of \$145,000 annually.

In some cases, it will be necessary to modify facilities to accommodate a larger regional court. The community that hosts the court may charge rent to the other participating towns to offset these costs. These other towns will be able to put the space previously occupied by the probate court to alternate uses.

The vault containing our probate records is bursting at the seams. How can we accommodate more probate records without the expense of building a new vault?

The probate court system is in the process of implementing a digital record storage system that will greatly reduce the need for vault space in the future. Courts currently using the system are able to scan documents, which are then accessible by computer and searchable by the public. The digital records are backed up by a central server and are also microfilmed to add an additional margin of safety.

Discussions are currently under way with the State Library to act as a central repository for the older probate volumes, ensuring both safekeeping and public access for these records. If this effort is successful, fireproof file cabinets can replace vault storage, since only active files that have not yet been scanned and microfilmed will require that level of security.

Is it correct to say that my town won't be part of the redistricting process because the population is greater than 40,000?

While the legislation sets 40,000 as a target *minimum* population for a probate district, P.A. 09-114 does not stand for the proposition that the average court size will be 40,000. To satisfy the requirement that the state have no more than 50 courts, redistricting will likely require the consolidation of many courts into districts in the range of 50,000 to 70,000 in population. The legislation requires that the Redistricting Commission consider factors such as geographic accessibility, communities of interest, and the availability of municipal facilities in making determinations about the size of particular districts.

If municipalities agree to merge their courts, will that plan be guaranteed to be part of the final plan?

While it is critical that cities and towns offer input about regional arrangements that would work best for their communities, there can be no guarantee that a

merger would be implemented solely on the basis of an agreement between the affected municipalities. The Redistricting Commission will give strong consideration to input from municipalities, but it may need to make adjustments to achieve a statewide plan that meets the statutory criteria.

Could a court establish a satellite office in a town that is part of the district?

The restructured probate court system does not contemplate satellite offices with resident staff and the attendant office and personnel expenses. However, in much the same way that judges currently conduct hearings away from the court when warranted by particular circumstances, it is entirely possible that arrangements could be made for court staff to conduct office hours at various locations within the probate district to provide more convenient access for the public.

Probate Assembly 50 Court Proposal - Approved July 8, 2009

(sorted by population)

Count	District	Towns/Cities Included	Population	WWL
1	Bridgeport		136,695	8,897
2	Waterbury	Middlebury, Waterbury, Wolcott	130,833	9,858
3	Hartford		124,563	11,349
4	New Haven		123,932	12,709
5	Stamford		118,475	6,463
6	Norwalk	Norwalk, Wilton	101,171	4,817
7	Region 6 C	Cromwell, Durham, East Hampton, Middlefield, Middletown, Portland	95,060	7,350
8	Berlin	Berlin, New Britain	90,918	6,521
9	Bristol	Bristol, Plainville, Plymouth	90,115	7,178
10	Canton	Avon, Burlington, Canton, Farmington, Simsbury	85,305	5,132
11	Groton	Groton, Ledyard, North Stonington, Stonington	80,976	4,987
12	Danbury		79,226	4,296
13	Region 4 South	Bethel, Newtown, Ridgefield, Redding	78,016	3,784
14	Westport	Darien, New Canaan, Weston, Westport	76,844	5,042
15	Newington	Newington, Rocky Hill, Wethersfield	74,208	5,947
16	Glastonbury District	Colchester, Glastonbury, Hebron, Lebanon, Marlborough	71,601	3,695
17	Southington	Cheshire, Southington	70,975	4,360*
18	Manchester	Andover, Bolton, Columbia, Manchester	69,485	4,058
19	Milford	Milford, Orange	69,258	4,891
20	Northeast 1	Enfield, Somers, Stafford	67,647	3,842*
21	Northwest South	Goshen, Harwinton, Kent, Litchfield, Morris, Thomaston, Torrington, Warren	67,353	5,281
22	Norwich	Bozrah, Franklin, Griswold, Lisbon, Norwich, Preston, Sprague, Voluntown	66,857	4,554
23	Bloomfield	Bloomfield, East Granby, Granby, Hartland, Suffield, Windsor Locks	66,702	4,257*
24	Windsor	East Windsor, South Windsor, Windsor	65,311	3,775
25	Naugatuck District	Beacon Falls, Bethany, Naugatuck, Oxford, Prospect	65,067	3,296*
26	New Milford District	Bridgewater, Brookfield, New Fairfield, New Milford, Sherman	64,946	2,825
27	NE 2	Ashford, Brooklyn, Eastford, Killingly, Pomfret, Putnam, Thompson, Union, Woodstock	63,465	4,855*
28	Greenwich		61,871	4,757
29	Trumbull	Easton, Monroe, Trumbull	61,520	3,337

Probate Redistricting Commission Members

Appointing authority – Governor M. Jodi Rell

Brian Austin, Jr., Esq.
Undersecretary – Criminal Justice
Office of Policy and Management
Granby

Ann Follacchio
Farmington

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The Honorable Sydney W. Elkin
Judge, West Hartford Probate District

The Honorable Kathleen J. Murphy
Judge, Thompson Probate District

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Deputy Speaker
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Monroe

Ex-Officio

The Honorable Paul J. Knierim
Probate Court Administrator
Judge, Simsbury Probate District



**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager; Lon Hultgren, Director of Public Works; Tim Veillette, Project Engineer
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Birch Road Bikeway, Phase II

Subject Matter/Background

The original Federal transportation enhancement grant for the Birch Road bikeway did not have sufficient funds to build both the section along Route 44 and the section along Birch Road. Consequently, we were only able to build the section along Route 44 with this funding source.

However, when the ARRA (stimulus) funds became available, we submitted the remaining portion of the bikeway along Birch Road as a proposed project. The state and the region approved our application and have funded this project with a \$300,000 ARRA grant. We have since refined the design and are now ready to submit the project to the DOT for final review and authorization to bid and begin construction.

The DOT's design process for ARRA projects includes a mandatory public information session. We now have plans and estimates that can be used for this meeting and would like to schedule it as soon as possible.

Financial Impact

The funding source for this project is an ARRA stimulus grant, which does not require a local match. The project will add about one-half mile of bikeway that our Department of Public Works will maintain along with the Town's other bikeway/walkways.

Legal Review

All the properties and easements for this project were obtained in 2004 for the original project. The wetlands permit has been renewed and no further legal review or permitting is required.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Council schedule a brief public information session for Phase II of the Birch Road Bikeway project. Key staff members will not be available to conduct this information session until September 28th. I suggest we hold the session at 7:00 PM on that date so as not to interfere with the regular Council meeting. Staff will notify the abutters of the public information session when scheduled.

If the Town Council supports this recommendation, the following motion is in order:

Move, to schedule a public information session regarding Phase II of the Birch Road Bikeway Project, for 7:00 PM on September 28, 2009.

Attachments

- 1) Project Description dated 3/19/09

Project Description: Birch Road Bikeway (Town of Mansfield, CT) -- 3/19/09

The Birch Road bikeway project that has been submitted for Federal Stimulus funding by the Town of Mansfield is the remaining 700 meters of 8 foot wide, paved bike path that was not built in the original 1800 meter bikeway project that was designed and constructed under the Federal Enhancement Program in 2004-5 (DOT project # 77-198). The original project was designed to connect the end of the Town's bikeway on Hunting Lodge Road to the 4-Corners commercial area at the intersection of Routes 195 and 44. Bids received in 2004 were more than the funding in the enhancement grant, so the 700 foot portion on Birch Road was eliminated from the contract -- only the 1100 meter section along Route 44 was built and is in service. The remaining piece will complete the off-road bike path that runs all the way from the University of CT to the 4 corners area.

The 2004 bid for this section of the project was \$233,250. Ratioed up at 5% a year, this cost for the construction contract is now estimated to be \$300,000. (Note that any DOT required testing, contingency and administrative costs -- usually about 22% -- are not included in this construction cost estimate.)

Plans, specs, right-of-way acquisitions and permits are in place for this work as they were developed during the design of the original project. The plans can be reused to bid this remaining section with minor modifications and elimination of some of the original pages. The specs will need to be updated for wage rates, and any other state and federal requirements that have been put in place since 2004, and the bid form modified to show the appropriate quantities (which are readily available by subtracting the base bid from the alternate that included this work).

August, 2009 update: The project has been redesigned so that the expected total project cost of the Birch Road section is under the \$300,000 grant amount..

For more information please contact Lon Hultgren, Director of Public Works, Town of Mansfield (860) 429-3332; HultgrenLR@MansfieldCT.org.

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**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to the Town Manager; Gregory Padick, Director of Planning; Curt Vincente, and Director of Parks and Recreation; Jennifer Kaufman, Parks Coordinator
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: 2009 Recreational Trails Program Grant

Subject Matter/Background

Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area, situated in Mansfield's 455-acre Schoolhouse Brook Park, is the site of numerous regionally significant community recreational and educational activities including:

- Swimming, hiking, mountain biking, picnicking, and concerts
- Mansfield's municipal summer camp program, where approximately 750 children attend each summer
- Outdoor classroom and physical activities for Mansfield Middle School (MMS), which is adjacent to the Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area
- Connection to 8.54 miles of Town trails within in Schoolhouse Brook Park
- Connection to the Nipmuck Trail, part of the State Blue Blazed Trail System, a state designated greenway, which begins in Mansfield and travels north to the Nipmuck Forest in Union, CT on the Massachusetts border

Currently, there is a wheelchair accessible path to the beach and swimming area but no way for someone in a wheelchair to travel deeper into the park.

Project Description

The Town of Mansfield, in partnership with Eastern Highland Health District and Mansfield Middle School, proposes to design improvements for universal access at the Schoolhouse Brook Park/ Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area. The design will consist of an accessible pond loop trail and will improve the link between Mansfield Middle School and the Bicentennial Recreation Area. The trail will connect to the existing beach path and swimming ramp and will follow the pond edge and join the existing Byron's Trail. A trail location map is attached.

The universal access trail will be designed to:

- Create a pond loop trail that connects with the existing 8.54 miles of park trails at Mansfield's most often used recreation area. This trail system includes the State Blue Blazed Nipmuck Trail

- Afford access to natural areas around the pond that are currently inaccessible to those in wheelchairs
- Improve access for MMS students for educational and physical education activities
- Increase access to physical activity opportunities for the region

To improve universal access, trail linkages, educational and physical activity opportunities at the Bicentennial Pond/Schoolhouse Brook Park Recreation Area the partners propose the following:

- With a landscape architect and engineer, design a universal access trail, in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards along Bicentennial Pond and link to Mansfield Middle School (MMS) and the existing network of trails in Schoolhouse Brook Park
- Based on the design, complete and file local and state permits
- In collaboration with Mansfield Middle School staff and Eastern Highland Health District Health Promotion Staff, develop methods to improve educational and physical activity opportunities
- Provide staff oversight and coordination

Financial Impact

The total cost of the proposed scope of work is \$29,500, with the 80 percent of the funds (\$23,600) provided by the grant and 20% of the funds (\$5,900) provided by the Town. The Town's portion would come from in-kind staff resources and the Parks Improvement Fund.

Recommendation

If the Town Council supports the submittal of this grant application, the following motion is in order.

Move, effective August 24, 2009, to resolve to seek funds not to exceed \$29,500 from the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's Recreational Trails Program to improve wheelchair accessibility, trail linkages, educational, and physical activity opportunities at the Schoolhouse Brook Park/ Bicentennial Pond Recreation area.

Attached

- 1) Project Description and Budget
- 2) Map of the Proposed Trail

Improving Universal Access, Trail Linkages, Educational, and Physical Activity Opportunities at the Bicentennial Pond/Schoolhouse Brook Park Recreation Area

1) PROJECT INFORMATION AND SCOPE OF WORK

Background

Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area, situated in Mansfield's 455-acre Schoolhouse Brook Park, is the site of numerous regionally significant community recreational and educational activities including:

- Swimming, hiking, mountain biking, picnicking, and concerts
- Mansfield's municipal summer camp program, where approximately 750 children attend each summer
- Outdoor classroom and physical activities for Mansfield Middle School (MMS), which is adjacent to the Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area.
- Connection to 8.54 miles of Town trails within in Schoolhouse Brook Park.
- Connection to the Nipmuck Trail, part of the State Blue Blazed Trail System, a state designated greenway, which begins in Mansfield and travels north to the Nipmuck Forest in Union, CT on the Massachusetts border.

Currently, there is a wheelchair accessible path to the beach and swimming area but no way for someone in a wheelchair to travel deeper into the park.

Project Description

The Town of Mansfield, in partnership with Eastern Highland Health District and Mansfield Middle School, proposes to design improvements for universal access at the Schoolhouse Brook Park/ Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area. The design will consist of an accessible pond loop trail and will improve the link between Mansfield Middle School and the Bicentennial Recreation Area. The trail will connect to the existing beach path and swimming ramp and will follow the pond edge and join the existing Byron's Trail. A trail location map is attached.

The universal access trail will be designed to:

- Create a pond loop trail that connects with the existing 8.54 miles of park trails at Mansfield's most often used recreation area. This trail system includes the State Blue Blazed Nipmuck Trail.
- Afford access to natural areas around the pond that are currently inaccessible to those in wheelchairs.
- Improve access for MMS students for educational and physical education activities.

- Increase access to physical activity opportunities for the region.

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- Based on the design, complete and file local and state permits.
- In collaboration with Mansfield Middle School staff and Eastern Highland Health District Health Promotion Staff, develop methods to improve educational and physical activity opportunities.
- Provide staff oversight and coordination.

2) COST ESTIMATE

In partnership with Mansfield Middle School and the Eastern Highland Health District, the Town of Mansfield proposes the following:

With a landscape architect and engineer, design a universal access trail, in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards along Bicentennial Pond and link to Mansfield Middle School (MMS) and the existing network of trails in Schoolhouse Brook Park.

\$ 25,000

Based on the design, complete and file local and state permits

\$ 2,000

In collaboration with Mansfield Middle School staff and Eastern Highland Health District Health Promotion Staff, develop methods to improve educational and physical activity opportunities. \$ 1,000

Staff oversight and coordination

\$ 1,500

Total Cost

\$ 29,500

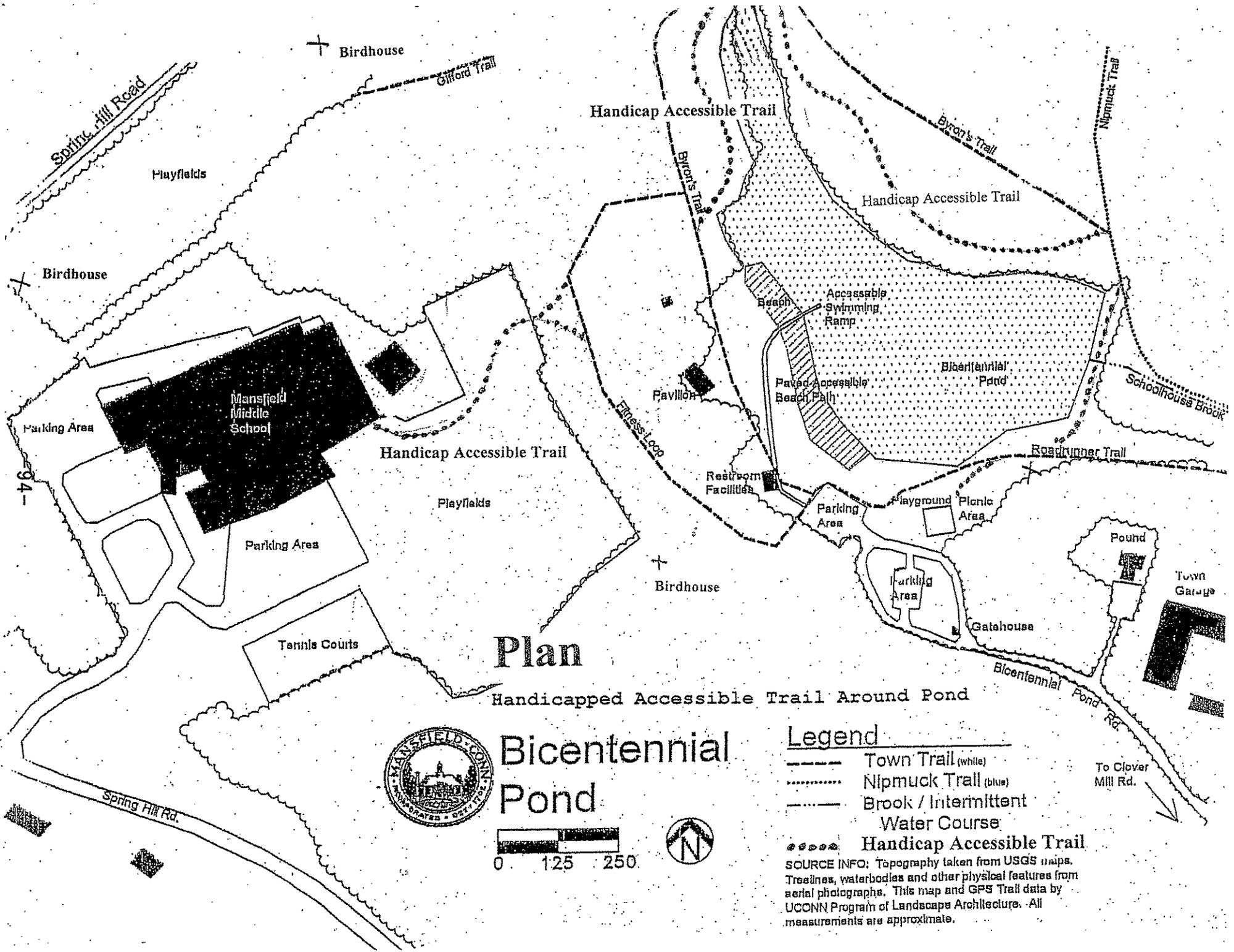
Total Funds Requested (80% of Total Project Cost)

\$ 23,600

Total Funds/In kind services

provided by the Town of Mansfield

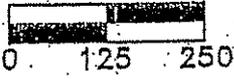
\$ 5,900



Plan

Handicapped Accessible Trail Around Pond

Bicentennial Pond



Legend

- Town Trail (white)
- Nipmuck Trail (blue)
- Brook / Intermittent Water Course
- Handicap Accessible Trail

SOURCE INFO: Topography taken from USGS maps. Treelines, waterbodies and other physical features from aerial photographs. This map and GPS Trail data by UCONN Program of Landscape Architecture. All measurements are approximate.



**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matthew W. Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager; Curt Vincente, Director of Parks & Recreation; Jay O'Keefe, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation; Gregory Padick, Director of Planning; Curt Hirsch, Zoning Enforcement Officer
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Amendments to Mansfield Park Rules and Regulations

Subject Matter/Background

In January 2009 the Town Council heard comments from a resident and volunteer for the Mansfield Skate Park Fundraising Group. The comments concerned options for the group to seek out funding sources for skate park equipment. One of the options discussed was to consider a modification to the Park Rules and Regulations that would allow for temporary program sponsorship signs/banners at the new Skate Park. After hearing the testimony, the Town Council referred the matter to the Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC) for comment. RAC held a regular meeting on April 29, 2009 and reviewed the referral from the Town Council. RAC also reviewed the Park Rules and Regulations to determine necessary modifications if this request were to be approved. Attached is the proposed amendment, correspondence from RAC and related material.

Financial Impact

If approved, this proposal could result in additional revenue for the Skate Park Fundraising Group.

Recommendation

The Recreation Advisory Committee recommends that the Park Rules and Regulations be modified to allow for the Mansfield Skate Park to be a potential location for temporary program sponsorship signs/banners as detailed in their attached correspondence. Should the Council concur, a public hearing would be necessary.

If the Council supports this recommendation, the following motion is in order:

Move, to schedule a public hearing for 7:30 p.m. at the Town Council's regular meeting on September 14, 2009, to solicit public comment regarding the proposed amendment to the Mansfield Code, Chapter A194: Park Rules and Regulations to allow for the location of temporary program sponsorship signs/banners at the new Mansfield Skate Park.

Attachments

- 1) Proposed Amendment to Mansfield Code, Chapter A194: Park Rules and Regulations
- 2) Mansfield Code, Chapter A194: Park Rules and Regulations
- 3) Recreation Advisory Committee correspondence, April 30, 2009
- 4) Recreation Advisory Committee referrals, February 13, 2009 and February 9, 2009

Town of Mansfield
Proposed Amendment to Mansfield Code, Chapter A194: Park Rules and Regulations
“Temporary Sponsorship Signs/Banners”

August 24, 2009 Draft

§A194-1. Permitted activities.

- J. Subject to compliance with applicable provisions of the Mansfield Zoning Regulations, the Parks and Recreation Department may authorize not-for-profit organizations to erect temporary program sponsorship signs/banners in town parks, subject to the following conditions:
1. Eligibility. Only not-for-profit organizations that operate to serve Mansfield residents are eligible to erect signs/banners under this section. The eligible not-for-profit organizations may erect temporary signs/banners for only those businesses, organizations, individuals and other entities that provide monetary or other material assistance to the eligible organization. Subject to the conditions expressed herein, the Parks and Recreation Department has the discretion to determine which not-for-profit organizations and program sponsors are eligible to erect signs/banners under this subsection.
 2. Location. The location of temporary program sponsorship signs/banners in town parks shall be limited to **four** ~~three~~ sites:
 - (a) Around the interior perimeter of the outfield fence at Southeast Park Field A;
 - (b) adjacent to the Southeast Park Football Field;
 - (c) Adjacent to the playing fields at the Lions Club Memorial Park; and
 - (d) Around the interior perimeter of the fence at the Mansfield Skate Park.**
 3. Duration. Signs/Banners permitted under this section may be erected or displayed for the duration of the season. Signs/Banners must be removed following the conclusion of the season.
 4. Construction. Signs/Banners permitted under this section must be single-sided, non-illuminating, temporary or portable in design, and constructed with weather-proof material.
 5. Size. Signs/Banners permitted under this section cannot exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area.
 6. Color/Format. Signs/Banners permitted under this section must be consistent in format and have a dark background. Wording on signs/banners permitted under this section is limited to the name and logo of the program sponsor.
 7. Enforcement. The Parks and Recreation Department shall administer and enforce the requirements of this section.
 8. Other. Subject to the conditions expressed herein, the Parks and Recreation Department has the discretion to develop additional location requirements at the three sites defined in Subsection J(2) above, and other restrictions and guidelines for signs/banners permitted under this section.

Chapter A194: PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Mansfield 11-25-1974, effective 12-3-1974. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Alcoholic beverages — See Ch. 101.

Outdoor burning — See Ch. 114.

Parks and recreation areas — See Ch. 137.

§ A194-1. Permitted activities.

The following park uses and/or activities are permitted subject to additional specific regulations which may be adopted by the Town Council or its designated agency:

- A. Hiking, picnicking, organized nature study, bicycling and horseback riding in designated areas.
- B. Ice skating, swimming, cross country skiing and fishing at specific times and/or places.
- C. Day and/or night camping only in specified areas, with a permit issued by the Town Manager or other designated person or agency of the town. **[Amended 7-25-1983]**
- D. Open fires only in fireplaces in designated picnic areas around Bicentennial Pond. **[Amended 7-25-1983]**
- E. Open camping fires are thus prohibited in the remainder of Schoolhouse Brook Park. **[Added 7-25-1983]**
- F. Organized games in designated areas.
- G. Posting of signs only with permission issued by the Town Manager or other designated person or agency of the town. **[Amended 7-25-1983]**
- H. Special activities and/or programs only upon approval by the Town Manager or other designated person or agency.
- I. Pets on leash only.
- J. Subject to compliance with applicable provisions of the Mansfield Zoning Regulations, the Parks and Recreation Department may authorize not-for-profit organizations to erect temporary program sponsorship signs/banners in Town parks, subject to the following conditions: **[Added 1-27-2003, effective 2-25-2003]**
 - (1) Eligibility. Only not-for-profit organizations that operate to serve Mansfield residents are eligible to erect signs/banners under this subsection. The eligible not-for-profit organizations may erect temporary signs/banners for only those businesses, organizations, individuals and other entities that provide monetary or other material assistance to the eligible organization. Subject to the conditions expressed herein, the Parks and Recreation Department has the discretion to determine which not-for-profit organizations and program sponsors are eligible to erect signs/banners under this subsection.
 - (2) Location. The location of temporary program sponsorship signs/banners in Town parks shall be limited to three sites:
 - (a) Around the interior perimeter of the outfield fence at Southeast Park Field A;
 - (b) Adjacent to the Southeast Park Football Field; and
 - (c) Adjacent to the playing fields at the Lions Club Memorial Park.
 - (3) Duration. Signs/Banners permitted under this subsection may be erected or displayed for the duration of the season. Signs/Banners must be removed following the conclusion of the season. **[Amended 5-14-2007, effective 6-11-2007]**
 - (4) Construction. Signs/Banners permitted under this subsection must be single-sided, nonilluminating, temporary or portable in design, and constructed with weather-proof material.
 - (5) Size. Signs/Banners permitted under this subsection cannot exceed 32 square feet in area.
 - (6) Color/Format. Signs/Banners permitted under this subsection must be consistent in format and have a dark background. Wording on signs/banners permitted under this subsection is limited to the name and logo of the program sponsor.

- (7) Enforcement. The Parks and Recreation Department shall administer and enforce the requirements of this subsection.
- (8) Other. Subject to the conditions expressed herein, the Parks and Recreation Department has the discretion to develop additional location requirements at the three sites defined in Subsection J(2) above, and other restrictions and guidelines for signs/banners permitted under this subsection.

§ A194-2. Prohibited activities.

Prohibited activities shall be as follows:

- A. Commercial advertising, except for temporary program sponsorship signs/banners as permitted in § A194-1J above. [Amended 1-27-2003, effective 2-25-2003]
- B. Vending or soliciting of any type except as authorized by the Town Council.
- C. Littering.
- D. Removal of or injury to trees, shrubs, flowers and/or other plants.
- E. Molesting of birds and/or other fauna.
- F. Destruction, misuse and/or defacement of park property.
- G. Use or possession of explosives, firearms and/or fireworks.
- H. Hunting and/or trapping.
- I. Pets in swimming area.
- J. All motorized vehicles except on designated public access roads and parking areas.
- K. Use of the park, including parking areas, between sunset and sunrise without proper permit.
- L. Disorderly conduct.
- M. Drinking or possession of alcoholic beverages. [Added 3-10-1975, effective 3-19-1975]
- N. Golfing. [Added 7-28-1997, effective 8-23-1997]



Town of Mansfield Recreation Advisory Committee

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TO: Mansfield Town Council
FROM: Recreation Advisory Committee
DATE: April 30, 2009
SUBJECT: Referral: Program Sponsorship Signs/Banners at Mansfield Skate Park

The Recreation Advisory Committee (RAC) held a meeting on Wednesday, April 29 and reviewed the attached referral from the Town Council. RAC members approved the following:

In the absence of other support funding from the Town for Skate Park equipment, RAC is encouraging fundraising to reach the goal of providing minimal equipment to make the park usable. The current fundraising group has raised \$12,960 to date. Extending the Parks Rules and Regulations to allow for a fourth location for sponsorship signs/banners will provide another potential option to raise much needed funds for equipment. RAC supports a change to the Park Rules and Regulations to accommodate this and if the Town Council supports this recommendation, the following modifications to the Mansfield Code of Ordinances would be necessary:

Section A-194-1 Permitted activities

Item J(2) Location. The location of temporary program sponsorship signs/banners in Town parks shall be limited to ~~three~~ **four** sites:

- (a) Around the perimeter of the outfield fence at Southeast Park Field A;
- (b) Adjacent to the Southeast Park Football Field;
- (c) Adjacent to the playing fields at the Lions Memorial Park; and
- (d) **Around the interior perimeter of the fence at the Mansfield Skate Park.**

Item J(8) Other. Subject to the conditions expressed herein, the Parks and Recreation Department has the discretion to develop additional location requirements at the ~~three~~ **four** sites defined in Subsection J(2) above, and other restrictions and guidelines for signs/banners permitted under this subsection.

MEMORANDUM

Town of Mansfield
Town Manager's Office
4 So. Eagleville Rd., Mansfield, CT 06268
860-429-3336
Hartmw@mansfieldct.org



To: Recreation Advisory Committee
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *Matt*
Date: February 13, 2009
Re: Referral: Program Sponsorship Signs/Banners at Mansfield Skate Park

At the February 9, 2009 Mansfield Town Council meeting, the Council voted to refer the above captioned matter to the Recreation Advisory Committee for review and comment.

Please see the attached information regarding this referral.

Your assistance with this matter is greatly appreciated.



Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *Matt*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager
Date: February 9, 2009
Re: Program Sponsorship Signs/Banners at Mansfield Skate Park

Subject Matter/Background

At the last meeting, Council asked that this item be added to a future agenda to begin a discussion of this topic. I have attached a few documents that could assist with your discussion.

Attachments

- 1) Mansfield Code, Chapter A194: Park Rules and Regulations
- 2) *Make a name for yourself in the new Mansfield Community Center*



**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *Matt*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager; SGT James Kodzis, Resident Trooper Coordinator; Paula Jeffers, Controller/Treasurer
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Connecticut Local JAG Recovery Grant

Subject Matter/Background

The State of Connecticut has informed the Town of Mansfield that it may apply for a grant from the Recovery Act Connecticut Local Pass-Through Justice Assistance Grant (CT Local JAG) Program. The amount offered is \$9,100 and the funds may be used to support eligible crime prevention, community education and law enforcement activities that will stimulate economic recovery. The funds may be used for technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, contractual support, technology and information systems for criminal justice, as well as criminal justice-related evaluation activities. The funds may not be used to supplant existing State or local funds and there will be no future funding.

SGT James Kodzis of the Mansfield Resident State Trooper's Office recommends using this funding to purchase two patrol bicycles, three digital sound meters, eight patrol shotguns and shotgun ammunition.

Financial Impact

This grant would allow the Town to purchase equipment that would assist our Resident State Trooper's Office with various aspects of its mission. The grant does not require a local match from the Town.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Town Council authorize the application for the grant. The grant funds would be used to purchase patrol bicycles that would provide many benefits including increased community contact, the ability to patrol areas inaccessible by cars, savings in automobile expenses and the improved mental and physical well-being of our troopers. Also, the digital sound meters would provide our troopers with a more objective means to enforce the Town's noise ordinance and would certainly prove helpful if a citation for a violation of the noise ordinance is challenged. In addition, the funds received would be used to purchase shotguns and ammunition that would enhance the effectiveness and safety of our troopers and promote the safety of our citizens.

If the Town Council supports this recommendation, the following resolution is in order:

RESOLVED that effective August 24, 2009, the Town Manager, Matthew Hart, is hereby certified to make, execute, and approve on behalf of the Town of Mansfield any and all contracts and to execute and approve on behalf of this municipality other instruments involved including the Recovery Act Connecticut Local Pass-Through Justice Assistance Grant (CT Local JAG) Program.

Attachments

- 1) Connecticut Local JAG Recovery Grant Application

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
GRANT APPLICATION BUDGET
RECOVERY ACT
CT Local Pass-Through JAG Program**

PROJECT BUDGET: All Budget items must be described in the "Project Narrative"
Please refer to the "Instructions" document for information on mandatory data to be included in the Budget

Project Title:	Town of Mansfield JAG Local Pass Through Project
Grant ID:	09RECJAGLO75178

A. Personnel			
Job Title	Job Function	Calculation	Federal Funds
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
Salaries Sub Total:			0.00
Job Title	Salary	Fringe	
			0.00
			0.00
Fringe Benefits Sub Total:			0.00
Personnel Total:			0.00

B. Travel & Training		
Travel Description	Travel Calculation	Federal Funds
		0.00
		0.00
Travel Total:		0.00
Training Description	Training Calculation	
		0.00
		0.00
Training Total:		0.00
Travel & Training Total:		0.00

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
 GRANT APPLICATION BUDGET
 RECOVERY ACT
 CT Local Pass-Through JAG Program

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Project Title:	Town of Mausfield JAG Local Pass Through Project
Grant ID:	09RECJAGLO75178

C. Equipment Purchases

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Federal Funds
Patrol Shotguns	8	400.00	3200.00
Digital Sound Meters	3	825.00	2475.00
Patrol Bicycles	2	1500.00	3000.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
Equipment Purchase Total:			8675.00

D. Supplies

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Federal Funds
Shotgun Ammunition			425.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
Supplies Total:			425.00

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
 GRANT APPLICATION BUDGET
 RECOVERY ACT
 CT Local Pass-Through JAG Program

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Project Title:	Town of Mansfield JAG Local Pass Through Project
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E. Contractual & Consulting			
Type of Good or Service	Cost Calculation	Duration	Federal Funds
			0.00
			0.00
			0.00
Contractual & Consulting Total:			0.00

F. Facilities	
Description	Federal Funds
	0.00
Facilities Total:	
	0.00

G. Other		
Description	Calculation	Federal Funds
		0.00
		0.00
		0.00
Other Total:		0.00
Project Total:		9100.00

Budget Summary	
Personnel:	0.00
Travel & Training:	0.00
Equipment Purchases:	8675.00
Supplies:	425.00
Contractual & Consulting:	0.00
Facilities:	0.00
Other:	0.00
Project Total:	9100.00

Submit

Town of Mansfield, CT Local JAG Narrative

JAG Recovery Act 2009 Grant Proposal

The Town of Mansfield, CT requests JAG Recovery Act monies in the amount of \$9,100.00 to fund various law enforcement programs with the intent of accomplishing the following goals: improve the functioning of the criminal justice system, crime prevention, improve law enforcement operations, criminal justice personnel training, community policing, traffic enforcement, road safety, and victim services. The project will help stabilize the state and local governments as their budgets do not allow for the realization of the significant projects described below. The project will assist in stimulating the economy with purchases of equipment. The following JAG Recovery projects will assist the Town of Mansfield in accomplishing these goals.

Goal: Improve Functioning of the Mansfield Criminal Justice system

Objective A: Improve Criminal Justice Equipment

Objective B: Enhance Trooper/Community Safety

Objective C: Improve Community Policing services

Objective D: Maintain Firearm Proficiency

Projects:

- \$3,200.00 for eight (8) Patrol Shotguns (8 x \$400.00)
- \$2,475.00 for three (3) Digital Sound Meters (3 x \$825.00)
- \$3,000.00 for two (2) patrol bicycles (2 x \$1,500.00)
- \$425.00 for duty/practice shotgun ammunition

To comment on these spending proposals for JAG Recovery funds, please email us at jfkodzis@mansfieldct.org, or call us at 860-429-6024, or mail us at:

Mansfield Resident Troopers' Office

Town of Mansfield, CT Local JAG Narrative

Attn: Sgt. James Kodzis #219

4 South Eagleville Road

Mansfield, CT 06268

The Town of Mansfield contains the community of Storrs, which is home to the main campus of the University of Connecticut. Approximately 28,000 students attend the University of Connecticut. The Town of Mansfield covers approximately 45.5 square miles. The Town of Mansfield had a population of 24,558 in 2005. In addition, located in the Town of Mansfield is the Donald T. Bergin Correctional Institution, a Level 2 facility, which houses approximately 1,000 inmates and has 300 staff members.

The Town of Mansfield respectfully submits this application in regards to the Connecticut Local Pass-Through Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Cheryl Trahan, Finance Director, will act as the CFO for the JAG. The Town of Mansfield manages its own budget, including federal and state grants. A controller and an accountant are also on staff, therefore the Town of Mansfield has the capacity and will be responsible for grant administration details as they relate to acting as fiscal agent, to include disbursement of funds and monitoring of recipients, collecting and submitting financial and performance measure reports, and offering any needed grant assistance to recipients of the JAG funding. Drawdowns and expenditures are tracked through individual budget lines for each grant received, which keep individual grant funding separate. The proposed projects support the following goals and objectives as they relate to the JAG and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009:

The Town of Mansfield requests \$3,200.00 for the purchase of eight (8) pump action tactical shotguns. The Town of Mansfield does not have the funds available to purchase enough tactical

Town of Mansfield, CT Local JAG Narrative

shotguns to issue to each Resident State Trooper. The acquisition of these weapons will enhance the safety of the Troopers as well as the citizens that they serve. Resident State Troopers need to have proper equipment in order to perform their duties safely and efficiently. Shotguns have many advantages over the handgun. A shotgun increases the range a Trooper can engage a threat. They have more stopping power than handguns and can defeat most body armor. Shotguns are easy to manipulate and shoot. They are equipped with safeties that can be easily manipulated and allows the gun to be handled and carried safely. A shotgun has been a standard tool for patrol personnel. The shotgun is a valuable tool for the first responder. Funding from the grant will allow the Town of Mansfield to issue to each of its Resident State Troopers, who act as first responders, a tactical shotgun. This project will begin September 2009 and be completed no later than 2010.

Equipment: Shotguns (8)

Shotguns will be issued to the following:

Primary User	Purpose	Equipment
Sgt. J. Kodzis #219	Patrol	Shotgun
Tfc. S. Hickey #879	Patrol	Shotgun
Tfc. M. Benzie #904	Patrol	Shotgun
Tfc. M. Garcia #499	Patrol	Shotgun
Tfc. A. Cloutier #918	Patrol	Shotgun
Tfc. D. Mainiero #741	Patrol	Shotgun
Tfc. B. Langevin #476	Patrol	Shotgun
Tpr. J. Woodward #943	Patrol	Shotgun

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The Town of Mansfield also requests \$425.00 to purchase duty shotgun ammunition for the tactical shotguns. The goal of this project is to provide training ammunition for criminal justice personnel and satisfies the objective of maintaining firearm proficiency. Overall, this project will provide the opportunity for the Resident State Troopers to maintain and improve their firearm proficiency, which will help keep both Troopers and citizens safe. These trainings will be mandatory for every Resident State Trooper in the Mansfield Resident State Troopers' Office and will result in improved accuracy and confidence among staff. The public benefits through increased safety in the event an officer needs to discharge a weapon in the performance of duties. This project will begin September 2009 and be completed no later than 2010.

Supplies: Shotgun Ammunition

Ammunition will be supplied to the following:

Primary User	Purpose	Supplies
Sgt. J. Kodzis #219	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tfc. S. Hickey #879	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tfc. M. Benzie #904	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tfc. M. Garcia #499	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tfc. A. Cloutier #918	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tfc. D. Mainiero #741	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tfc. B. Langevin #476	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition
Tpr. J. Woodward #943	Patrol/Practice	Ammunition

The Town of Mansfield is requesting funds for \$2,475.00 to purchase three new digital sound level meters. Troopers assigned to the Mansfield Resident Troopers' Office will use the meters.

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All Troopers assigned to the office are trained in the use of sound level meters.

The purpose in obtaining the sound level meters is to enhance community interests. Troopers will use the meters to enforce the town's noise ordinance regulating loud music at residences, local establishments, and events. In addition, the new device will help the town in lawsuits on noise violations because enforcement cannot be challenged as "subjective."

Digital sound level meters are ideal for quick and accurate general noise measurements in many industrial, military, law enforcement and environmental applications. The meters have a measurement range of 30-140dBA. The meters meet compliance standards: ANSI S1.4-1983, Type 2. UL listed. MSHA approved. Equipment to be purchased will be similar to the following:
Digital Sound Level Meter, Type 2 - Quest Technologies / Metrosonics

Manufacturer: Quest Technologies Incorporated

Manufacturer Item #: DB-2100

Primary User	Purpose	Equipment
Trooper Garcia #499	Patrol	Sound Meter
Trooper Langevin #476	Patrol	Sound Meter
Trooper Cloutier #918	Patrol	Sound Meter

The Town of Mansfield also requests \$3,000.00 to purchase two (2) mountain bikes in order to improve existing equipment. The many benefits of employing police bike patrols include increased community contact, the ability to patrol areas inaccessible by cars, and the savings in energy resources. A police bicycle patrol is an extremely useful and effective form of law enforcement. Bicycles can be economical and practical in departments, regardless of the size or

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type of terrain that an agency must patrol. An officer who rides a bicycle has unique abilities to see crime, stop crime, and/or arrest offenders in ways that are often more difficult in a squad car.

Mobility is a primary benefit of bicycle patrol. A patrolling bicyclist can travel through crowds, yards, parks, over sidewalks, pathways, into narrow passageways and easily jump curbs. During festivals and special events, a bicycle patrol is an excellent way to enforce crowd control. The officer can quickly be mobilized from anywhere in the crowd, and is then able to cover much more distance than if he or she were on foot. Additionally, in crowded situations, there is less danger or injury to pedestrians or other motorists from a bicycle if contact should occur. An officer can ride inside buildings such as shopping malls, concert arenas, exhibition halls and sporting events when indoor security involves timeliness and sizeable real estate. An important benefit for security personnel is that a bicycle can accompany the rider in unique interior spaces, such as elevators.

This same maneuverability gives an officer the capability to ride up to individuals in a personal, non-threatening manner. The size and appearance of a squad car are not as "friendly" as a police bicycle. A bicycle-riding officer can become a powerful influence in developing positive relationships with people who live and work in the community patrolled. The bicycle can be especially effective in building trust with children who may be interested in it, and its equipment. This trust and accessibility can encourage citizens to be less apprehensive about approaching law enforcement officers in times of need, or with information and tips.

Ease of mobility allows for a level of stealth that cannot be put into action in a squad car. An officer is therefore able to ride up behind someone, who very likely, will not know he or she is there. From a distance, police officers on bicycles blend with other cyclists. However, with the

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flip of a switch, an officer can turn on specially designed pursuit lights and sirens that identify him or her as law enforcement.

Improved physical condition is a known health benefit to bicycle riding. Improved mental and physical wellbeing can promote a more positive attitude for work and life, as well as aid in reducing stress levels. This alone is a motive for putting officers on bicycles.

Finally, the use of bicycles in law enforcement agencies is economical. Police bicycles can save money in a department, agency or business by cutting automobile expenses and their accompanying fuel, insurances and maintenance costs. This project will begin September 2009 and be completed no later than 2010.

Equipment: Patrol Bicycles (2)

Patrol Bicycles will be primarily issued to the following:

Primary User	Purpose	Equipment
Sgt. J. Kodzis #219	Patrol	Bicycle
Tfc. S. Hickey #879	Patrol	Bicycle

The funds requested in the grant application would allow the Town of Mansfield to purchase equipment that would not otherwise be possible.



**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MWH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant to the Town Manager
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Proclamation Recognizing September as Leukemia, Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness Month

Subject Matter/Background

Every four minutes someone is diagnosed with a blood cancer. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is working diligently to change these odds by finding a cure for blood cancers.

The Connecticut Chapter of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has asked the Town of Mansfield to issue the attached resolution recognizing September as Leukemia, Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness Month.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Council authorize Mayor Paterson to issue the attached proclamation.

If the Town Council concurs with this recommendation, the following motion is in order:

Move, effective August 24, 2009, to authorize the Mayor to issue the attached Proclamation Recognizing September as Leukemia, Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness Month.

Attachments

- 1) Proclamation Recognizing September as Leukemia, Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness Month



Town of Mansfield
Proclamation Recognizing September as
Leukemia, Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness Month

WHEREAS, blood cancers currently afflict more than 912,938 Americans with an estimated 139,860 new cases diagnosed each year, and

WHEREAS, leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma will kill an estimated 53,240 people in the United States this year, and

WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, through voluntary contributions, is dedicated to finding cures for these diseases through research efforts and the support for those that suffer from them, and

WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society maintains offices in Fairfield County and Meriden, Connecticut to support patients with these diseases and their family members in the Town of Mansfield, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mansfield is similarly committed to the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of its citizens that suffer from them, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mansfield encourages private efforts to enhance research funding and education programs that address these diseases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Mansfield joins with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in designating the month of September 2009 as Leukemia, Lymphoma & Myeloma Awareness Month to enhance the understanding of blood related cancers and to encourage participation in voluntary activities to support education programs and the funding of research programs to find a cure for them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Corporate Seal of the Town of Mansfield to be affixed on this 24th day of August in the year 2009.

Elizabeth C. Paterson
Mayor, Town of Mansfield

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
Clean Energy Team
Minutes of the Meeting
July 23, 2009

Present: Hoyle, Nash, Loxsom, Spurlock, Britton, Walton

The meeting began at 5:10 p.m.

The notes from the April 23, 2009 minutes were reviewed.

The following refinements were made to the Mansfield \$500 Energy Challenge:

- The kick-off meeting will be scheduled in October 2009. Since availability in the Town Hall Council Chambers is limited, Walton will check with the Buchanan Auditorium.
- Participants will be required to attend this meeting.
- To encourage an examination of cooling systems, 2009 & 2010's May/June electrical data will be compared.
- Participants will have until the end of August 2010 to submit their information to us.
- Part of the kick-off presentation will include training on how to access electrical information on-line.
- The Clean Energy Team will work in pairs as coaching buddies, each pair assigned to one or more participating households.
- Participant households will receive a gift bag with weather stripping, low flow showerhead, compact fluorescent bulbs, etc.
- Through ECSU, Fred Loxsom will take infrared camera pictures of participating homes.
- Don Hoyle will contact Marion at Charter Communications to see if she would be interested in filming the progression of the challenge.
- Publicity is key. Hoyle will promote through WAIM, Walton will ask if the EO Smith Green Teens and Southeast School Green Thumbs Club are willing to promote.
- Places to post the flyer - the Community Center, Willimantic C-op, UConn Museum of Natural History, Storrs Farmers Market.
- Walton will draft a flyer by July 31.

As a group, the Clean Energy Team was asked to complete a Clean Energy Fund survey. Walton was directed to fill it out on their behalf.

Walton reported that the appropriated federal stimulus money that the Town of Mansfield will be receiving is earmarked for a much needed Town Hall energy management system. A UConn professor met with Walton to explore another use of the stimulus money. He is interested in researching whether certain styles of houses are less energy efficient than others as a way to rank order house types, and target those that are inefficient for audits.

A northeast regional clean energy task force meeting is tentatively scheduled for the evening of August 12. The location is yet to be determined.

Walton will schedule meetings regularly for the third Tuesdays of the month. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 7:00 in conference room C.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Walton
Recycling/Refuse Coordinator

Cc: Lon R. Hultgren, Director of Public Works, Members, file, Town Manager, Town Clerk

MANSFIELD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 8, 2009

Chairman Pellegrine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

Present: Members – Fraenkel, Katz, Pellegrine

Alternates – Accorsi, Clauson, Gotch

Absent: Members – Singer-Bansal, Wright

NICKOLAS BALLAS – 7:00 PM

To hear comments on the application of Nickolas Ballas for a Special Exception of Art IX, Sec c.2.b. to construct an addition to an existing non-conforming residence having a front yard setback 39' and side yard setback 2' less than minimum required at 370 Woodland Rd.

Alternates Accorsi, Clauson and Gotch acted as voting members for this hearing.

Mr. Ballas wants to add a 7 1/2' x 14' pantry addition onto his home. The only logical place for it would be off the kitchen, built into the sunroom.

A Neighborhood Approval sheet, showing no objections from neighbors and certified receipts were received.

Business Meeting:

Fraenkel moved to approve the application of Nickolas Ballas for a Special Exception of Art IX, Sec c.2.b. to construct an addition to an existing non-conforming residence having a front yard setback 39' and side yard setback 2' less than minimum required at 370 Woodland Rd, as shown on submitted plan.

In favor: Accorsi, Clauson, Fraenkel, Gotch, Pellegrine

Reasons for approval:

- Addition will be asset to neighborhood
- Will modernize and increase value of property

KENNETH R. BONDI (CONTINUANCE)

The Town of Coventry contacted the Mansfield Town Clerk's office to request additional information on this application, which was provided.

Mr. Bondi restated his hardship. In 1995 a variance was granted to the railroad for various setbacks to create this lot. Unfortunately, the notice was never filed in the land records. There is no additional land that can be purchased to make this a conforming lot (the railroad right of way is on one side and another non-conforming lot is on the other side).

Business Meeting:

Due to the fact that there were only 4 ZBA members present who could vote on this continued application, the recorded tape from the June 10, 2009 meeting was played.

Alternates Clauson and Gotch acted as voting members.

Katz moved to approve the application of Kenneth R. Bondi for a Variance of Art VIII, Sec A to create a new non-conforming lot, requiring a variance of 108' for frontage and 50' for sideline setback at 57 Middle Tpke, as shown on submitted plan.

In favor: Clauson, Fraenkel, Gotch, Katz, Pellegrine

Reasons for approval:

- Topography is a hardship
- Will encourage business in depot area
- Will not create hardship to surrounding parcels
- Lot was approved once already by ZBA
- Will make the property useable

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 10, 2009

Fraenkel moved to approve the minutes of June 10, 2009 as presented.

Motion passed

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha Fraenkel
Acting Secretary



COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

July 20, 2009 @ 6:00 p.m.

Room B, Audrey P Beck Building

Present: Leigh Duffy (Chair), Meredith Lindsey
Chair Leigh Duffy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Minutes of the June 15, 2009 meeting were approved as presented.

The Committee members discussed the volunteer applications and the available committee openings and agreed to make the following contacts:

Ms. Duffy will call the Chairman of the Recreation Advisory Committee to ascertain if any of those members whose terms have expired are still interested in serving and the status of the student member. She will then contact new volunteers Michael Gerald and Terry Cook.

Ms. Lindsey will contact Open Space Committee Chair Jim Morrow to determine who of the current members might be interested in being reappointed. She will also call Lisa Stafford to see if she might be interested in serving on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee or the Open Space Committee and Michael Allison regarding the Open Space Committee

Ms. Lindsey will call Sandy Baxter, who serves as staff to the Mansfield Advocates For Children Council, to determine who is the current United Way representative, the optimal membership number and possible volunteers. She will also call Lisa Dahn and Jim Greene, both of whom have expressed an interest in serving on the Council. She will check with Thomas Long, who expressed an interest in the Library Board, which has no openings, to see if he would be interested in the Council or the Parks Advisory Committee.

Ms. Duffy will call Toni-Marie Vicalvi to see if there are other committees that she might be interested in, including Mansfield Advocates for Children Council. She will also call Laurie Grunske McMorrow to see if she would be interested in the Beautification Committee, the Arts Advisory Committee or the Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities, noting that the later usually meets during the day. Ms. Duffy will also call Brien Buckman to see if he would be interested in serving on the Transportation Committee.

The Committee agreed to recommend to the Town Council the appointment of Don Nolan and Crayton Walker to the Personnel Appeals Board.

Ms. Duffy updated the Committee on the upcoming Volunteer Recognition Event to be held in connection with the Town Picnic in September. The theme of volunteer recognition will be a part of the emphasis for the weekend and will include not only committee volunteers but also others who assist the Town throughout the year. The plan is to have a table where ribbons will be distributed with a trifold showing the committees and members. Additional ideas including special recognitions will be discussed at the next meeting. Ms. Lindsey offered to research the types and price of ribbons available.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 Meeting of Tuesday, 07 July 2009
 Mansfield Community Center (MCC) Conference Room

MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:04p by Chair Kim Bova. *Members present:* Jay Ames, Kim Bova, Tom Bruhn, Scott Lehmann, Joan Prugh, Blanche Serban. *Members absent:* none. *Others present:* Jay O'Keefe (staff).
2. The draft minutes of the 02 June 09 meeting were approved as written.
3. **Correspondence.** Derri Owen has asked about the Committee's reaction to her proposed show to benefit the Social Services Department (item 3b, 05 May 09 minutes), which apparently was not communicated to her. Kim will do so.
4. **Coffee House programs.** When Tom Terry gets back in town, Joan will contact him about having his flamenco guitar group do an informal program at the MCC similar to those it has given at WindhamARTS.
5. **Festival on the Green Art Show.** Kim has volunteered to install the Festival on the Green's Art Show on 13 September, but she would like some help, as she is also the Festival's photographer; Jay A. can probably do this. Display panels are needed for hanging flat art; Jay A. suggested that the AAC investigate purchasing such panels, but it is not clear that we have any money. Jay O'K will investigate the status of our \$500 budget line.
6. **Art display form.** The new art display form will be put into use as soon as Scott sends it to Jay O'K.
7. **MCC art displays.**
 - a. **Michael Allison** has applied to show colored wooden bowls in the display cases. His pieces have appeared at the MCC as part of the Woodturners exhibit in winter 2005 and also last fall's exhibit of prize pieces from the 2008 Festival on the Green Art Show. On the basis of photos of some of the works he proposes to show, the AAC approved the exhibit for the winter quarter of 2010 – subject to seeing all the pieces (or photos thereof) before they are installed, in accord with policy. Joan will call Mr. Allison to let him know.
 - b. **Jay Ames** offered to exhibit works in the sitting room in the fall if nobody else steps forward.
 - c. **Blanche Serban** was disappointed that relatively few people attended the **artist's reception** for herself and Alex Delehanty (Friday, 12 June, 5-6 PM). Press releases sent to the media generated no publicity, alas, and the time may have been inconvenient.

Exhibit Period	Entry cases		Sitting room		Hallway	
	Double-sided	Shelves	Upper (5)	Lower (3)	Long (5)	Short (2)
Spring 15 Apr – 15 Jul	<i>Alex Delehanty</i> (sculpy work)		<i>Blanche Serban</i> (oils)			
Summer 15 Jul – 15 Oct	8/15 – 10/15 <i>Festival on the Green</i>		<i>Liviu Cupceanu</i> (various media)			
Fall 15 Oct – 15 Jan	<i>William Stallman?</i> (found object sculpture)				<i>Sylvia Smith</i> (water media)	
Winter 15 Jan – 15 Apr	<i>Michael Allison</i> (colored wooden bowls)					

7. **Know Your Towns Fair.** Scott will get information on reserving a table at Know Your Towns Fair (Sep 12) to advertise display opportunities and local arts groups; details can be discussed at the August meeting.

8. **Adjourned** at 7:35p. Next meeting: Tuesday, 04 August 09, 7:00p.

Scott Lehmann, Acting Secretary, 09 July 09; approved 04 August 09.

To: Town Council/Planning & Zoning Commission
 From: Curt Hirsch, Zoning Agent
 Date: August 20, 2009

Re: **Monthly Report of Zoning Enforcement Activity**
For the month of July, 2009

Activity	This month	Last month	Same month last year	This fiscal year to date	Last fiscal year to date
Zoning Permits issued	10	18	21	10	21
Certificates of Compliance issued	9	21	19	9	19
Site inspections	47	58	48	47	48
Complaints received from the Public	6	9	9	6	9
Complaints requiring inspection	4	6	5	4	5
Potential/Actual violations found	3	3	5	3	5
Enforcement letters	11	10	7	11	7
Notices to issue ZBA forms	1	3	0	1	0
Notices of Zoning Violations issued	2	1	1	2	1
Zoning Citations issued	0	2	0	0	0

Zoning permits issued this month for single family homes = 0, multi-fm = 3
 2009/10 fiscal year total: s-fm = 0, multi-fm = 3

TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 9, 2009
Audrey Beck Municipal Building
Council Chambers
4:00 pm

Minutes

Present: M. Beal, T. Callahan, B. Clouette, M. Hart, J. Hintz, A.J. Pappanikou, S. Rhodes,
W. Simpson

Staff: M. Capriola, J. Jackman, C. vanZelm

1. Opportunity for Public to Address the Committee
None.

2. May 19, 2009 Meeting Minutes
The minutes of May 19, 2009 were passed unanimously.

3. Mansfield 2020: A Unified Vision (Strategic Plan)
Mr. Hart and Ms. Capriola provided an overview of the process. Mr. Pappanikou made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clouette to adopt the response for the Housing action plans as revised; the motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Pappanikou made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clouette to adopt the response for the Town-University Relations action plans as revised; the motion was unanimously approved.

4. Committee Membership
The Committee reviewed the revised draft membership proposal. In a motion made by Mr. Pappanikou, seconded by Mr. Simpson, the Committee unanimously approved to eliminate #6 from the University membership (Asst. to the Vice President for Student Affairs) and to make Town appointments three year staggered terms.

5. Other
Ms. van Zelm provided an update on the Mansfield Downtown Partnership.

Mr. Rhodes provided an update on beautification projects at the University.

Mr. Callahan provided an overview of newly established fire protection fees for water customers.

Mr. Clouette provided an update on the Assisted Living facility project.

Mr. Hart provided an update on the Four Corners Sewer Advisory Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.

Next Meeting: August 11th, 2009

Respectfully Submitted, Maria E. Capriola, Assistant to Town Manager, Town of Mansfield

Town of Mansfield
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting of 15 July 2009
Conference B, Beck Building
MINUTES

Members present: Quentin Kessel, Scott Lehmann, John Silander, Joan Stevenson, Frank Trainor. *Members absent:* Robert Dahn, Peter Drzewiecki. *Others present:* Grant Meitzler (Wetlands Agent).

1. The meeting was **called to order** at 7:30p by Chair Quentin Kessel.
2. The draft **minutes of the 17 June 09 meeting**, with minor amendments by Kessel, were approved.
3. **IWA referrals.** Lehmann & Stevenson participated in the IWA field trip on Bastille Day; Lehmann's report is attached.

a. **W1435 (Bachioli, 78 Mansfield Hollow Rd.)** The applicant proposes to replace an above-ground swimming pool with an in-ground pool of approximately the same size in the same location. After brief discussion, the Commission agreed unanimously to the following **motion** (Trainor, Stevenson):

The Conservation Commission expects no significant wetlands impact from this project as long as excavated material is removed from the site and standard erosion controls are in place during construction.

b. **W1218 (Birch Rd. Pike Path)** This is a renewal application, the original permit having expired while the Town sought funding for the project, which would connect the bike paths along Hunting Lodge Rd. and Rte. 44. Manna from heaven has now arrived in the form of federal economic stimulus funds, but in an amount that requires downsizing: the path will be narrowed to 8 ft and moved closer to Birch Rd. In consequence, its footprint in wetlands (c. 0.1 acre, mostly near Hunting Lodge Rd.) will be half of what it would have been under the original design, according to Meitzler. Moving the path to the N. side of Birch Rd. would not significantly reduce wetlands impact and would compromise safety, since cyclists would have to cross Birch Rd. at two points. Silander having noted that erosion controls employed on the portion of the Hunting Lodge Rd. bike path now under construction are ineffective (fans of sediment can be seen in wetlands along the route), the Commission unanimously agreed to the following **motion** (Stevenson, Trainor):

The Conservation commission is pleased that revisions of the original design for this project have reduced its impact on wetlands, but hopes that more care will be taken to control erosion during construction than is evident on the southern portion of the Hunting Lodge Rd. bike path; it suggests that the project be scheduled so that construction occurs during dry season.

c. **W1436 (Gaffney, 125 Wildwood Rd.)** The applicant proposes to convert a small swampy area along the brook just N. of Wildwood Rd. into a shallow pond; the area lies wholly within a conservation easement held by the IWA. Silander observed that a shallow pond here can be expected to silt-in within a relatively short period of time. Lehmann worried that allowing such a conversion (apparently for landscaping) would set a bad

precedent, since the conservation easement is designed to protect the values of the area “in its present state as a natural and undisturbed area.” After some discussion, the Commission unanimously agreed on the following comment (**motion:** Silander, Stevenson):

This project would have a significant impact on the functionality of the present wetland and might have significant downstream effects. The Conservation Commission also fears that allowing conversion of an area protected by a conservation easement for reasons unrelated to conservation would set a bad precedent.

4. NE Region Management Area Water Supply Forum. Kessel attended this meeting on 14 July 09. The state Department of Public Health hopes to convene a water utility coordinating committee (WUCC) for the region to “... coordinate the planning of public water supply systems” in the area. The committee would aim to divvy up the region among suppliers and to organize a back-up system for failures (so that someone is prepared to step in to provide water, should the supply to some group of consumers break down).

5. Eagleville Brook TMDL Project. This DEP project aims to improve water quality in the Eagleville Brook watershed, primarily by controlling sediment. A meeting was held on 14 July 09 to brief stakeholders about it.

6. 2009 Windham Region Land Use Plan. This is an update of the Windham Council of Governments 2002 Regional Land Use Plan. Kessel attended a public hearing concerning it on 01 July. Town Planner Greg Padick has drafted comments for consideration by the PZC; written comments on the plan will be received until 06 August. The Commission unanimously agreed to the following **motion** (Kessel, Trainor):

The Mansfield Conservation Commission endorses, with one exception, the comments on the “Draft Windham Region Land Use Plan 2009” in the June 15, 2009 letter from Greg Padick, Director of Planning, to the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission.

The exception is as follows: the Windham Region Land Use Plan designates a small portion of southern Mansfield as a “High Priority Preservation Area,” whereas in Mansfield’s Plan of Conservation and Development much of this same area is designated for development (e.g., a portion is zoned as an industrial park). The Conservation Commission values the Windham Region Plan’s methodology to prioritize preservation areas (Appendix B), which takes into account data from Mansfield’s Plan. Much of this area is prime farmland, beneath which is one of Mansfield’s major aquifers. It is a Class I viewshed bordered by one of Mansfield’s officially designated Scenic Roads. There seems to be a stream running through it that is designated as a flood hazard zone.

For these reasons, the Mansfield Conservation Commission urges the Town of Mansfield to accept the Windham Region Plan’s designation of “High Priority Preservation Area” for this portion of Mansfield.

A copy of this portion of the minutes is to be forwarded to the Director of Planning, the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Mansfield Town Council.

{**Addendum:** On 23 July 09, those Commission members who attended the 15 July 09 meeting concurred by e-mail in the following **correction** of the penultimate sentence of paragraph 2: “It is a Class I viewshed bordered by one of Mansfield’s designated Bicycle Routes.”}

7. Aquifer protection. The Commission remains convinced that more should be done to protect Mansfield’s stratified drift aquifers from contamination, as insurance against the loss of other sources of drinking water and because it is a lot easier to keep contaminants out of ground water

than it is to remove contaminants from it. Accordingly, it recommends the following additions to Mansfield's Zoning Regulations (**motion:** Kessel, Trainor; adopted unanimously):

1. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 2, Paragraph 2, sentence 1 (p.20): insert "and representatives of appropriate land-use committees" after "Town Planner".
2. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 2, Paragraph 2, sentence 3 (p.20): insert "and/or areas within 500 feet of a stratified drift aquifer" after "areas within 150 feet of inland wetlands or watercourses". {500 feet is the number used by the DEP to protect community wells, the "source water protection area."}
3. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 2, Paragraph 2, sentence 4 (p.20): expand "Inland Wetland approvals" to read "Inland Wetland and aquifer approvals".
4. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 3, Item b, sentence 3 (p.21): expand the first occurrence of "regulated areas" to read "regulated wetland or stratified drift aquifer areas".
5. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 3, Item d.10, (p.22): insert "stratified drift" before "aquifers".
6. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 3, Item g, sentence 2 (p.23): expand "watershed and flooding data" to read "aquifer, watershed, and flooding data".
7. Article 5, Section A, Sub-section 5, Item d (p.24): expand "for water supply ..." to read "for aquifer protection, water supply ...".
8. Article 5, Section B, Sub-section 2, sentence 3 (p.27): insert "wetland or aquifer" between "regulated" and "areas".
9. Article 6, Section B, Sub-section 4, item m, sentence 1 (p.37): replace "within identified aquifers" with "within 500 feet of identified stratified drift aquifers".
10. Article 6, Section B, Sub-section 4, item m (p.37): add to the end of the paragraph "Any use otherwise permitted within a zoning district which may discharge hazardous material into ground water is prohibited." {Similar language appears in the Town of Ridgefield's zoning regulations.}

Stevenson wondered if enough attention was being given to protecting surface water in Mansfield, citing the Beall-Higgins lot (W 1433), which sits between and above two ponds, as an example of a lot which, in her view, is unsuitable for building. However, disapproving this lot would require a considerably more stringent wetland protection regime, which would be difficult to achieve in Mansfield, in part because it is not clear that more stringent rules are required to protect inland wetlands.

8. The meeting **adjourned** at 9:23p. Next meeting: 7:30p, Wednesday, 19 August 09.

Scott Lehmann, Secretary

16 July 09; approved 19 August 09, with addendum to item 6

Attachment: Report on 14 July 09 IWA field trip.

{1. GREEN PROPERTY, Rte. 32, PZC 1258. FYI only, not a referral to CC. The applicant is proposing to excavate gravel – assuming it's there – from a pasture on the E. side of the highway and S. of the farmhouse. The area will then be leveled for a cornfield. The site is hidden from Rte. 32 by a hill; a huge oak nearby will supposedly be unaffected.}

2. BIRCH RD BIKEWAY, IWA 1218. The Town is asking for a renewal of the wetlands permit

for this project, the original one having expired. Its design has also been revised: federal stimulus funds will be used and the amount available is only about 2/3 of what the original project would cost. The path's width has been reduced from 10 ft. to 8 ft, and its routing shifted closer to Birch Rd. In consequence, impact on wetlands should be lessened. The path will run along the S. side of Birch Rd., connecting existing paths along Hunting Lodge Rd. and Rte. 44. The affected wetlands are at both ends: at the Hunting Lodge end, some fill will be needed in wetlands to create a roadbed for the bike path along the present edge of the road; the Rte. 44 end, I believe, involves no work in wetlands (the existing path along Rte. 44 crosses this wetland now).

3. GAFFNEY PROPERTY, 125 Wildwood Rd., IWA 1436. The applicant wants to convert a small reach of brook just off Wildwood Rd. (N. side) into a pond; the affected area is largely open (skunk cabbage, with a few trees). However, the area in question is within a conservation easement held by the Town, the covenants of which specify (among other things) that "...there shall be no

...

4. ... excavating... or change in the topography of the land in any manner,

...

6. alteration or manipulation of the ground surface, whether it be natural watercourses, swamp, shore, marsh, or other water bodies ...

...

at any location, whatsoever, on the Protected Property, without prior express written consent of the Grantee [= IWA]".

While the IWA *can*, legally, give such consent – if you have a property right, you can generally waive it – doing so doesn't strike me as a good idea. Since the easement speaks of the "ecological, scientific, educational and aesthetic value [of the Protected Property] in *its present state as a natural and undisturbed area*" (my emphasis), it seems to me that the proposed conversion should be permitted only if there is a very good reason for it, and the application gives no reason whatever. As in the case of the White Oak Condo septic easement in Dunhamtown Forest, I also worry about creating a bad precedent.

4. BACHIOCHI PROPERTY, 78 Mansfield Hollow Rd., IWA 1435. The applicant proposes to replace an above-ground pool in the back yard with an in-ground pool; the area lies on a flat terrace that drops steeply to the river below the dam. According to him, the pool company will remove the excavated material (rather than dumping it over the edge of the terrace). I don't see a problem if indeed this is the case (and standard erosion controls are employed during construction).

Scott Lehmann, 15 July 09

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Item #13



Matthew W. Hart, Town Manager

AUDREY P. BECK BUILDING
FOUR SOUTH EAGLEVILLE ROAD
MANSFIELD, CT 06268-2599
(860) 429-3336
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August 10, 2009

Mr. Crayton Walker
65 Riverview Road
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

Re: Reappointment to Personnel Appeals Board

Dear Mr. Walker:

I am pleased to reappoint you to the Personnel Appeals Board, for a new term to expire on October 31, 2014.

I trust that you find the work of the Board to be rewarding, and I greatly appreciate your willingness to serve our community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding your reappointment.

Sincerely,

Matthew W. Hart
Town Manager

Cc: Town Council
Personnel Appeals Board
Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

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August 10, 2009

Mr. Frank Perrotti
42 Cedar Swamp Road
Mansfield, CT 06268

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Perrotti:

I am pleased to reappoint you to the Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee, for a new term to expire on September 30, 2012.

I trust that you find the work of the Committee to be rewarding, and I greatly appreciate your willingness to serve our community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding your reappointment.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Christopher Murphy
145 Brookside Lane
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Murphy:

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Ms. Candace Morrell
Mansfield Middle School
--Internal Mail--

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Morrell:

I am pleased to reappoint you to the Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee, for a new term to expire on September 30, 2012.

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Mr. Jerry Marchon
4 South Eagleville Road
Mansfield, CT 06268

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. ^{Jerry}Marchon:

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Ms. Ethel Mantzaris
834 Main Street
Willimantic, CT 06226

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Mantzaris:

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Ms. Rachel Leclerc
4 South Eagleville Road
Mansfield, CT 06268

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Leclerc:

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August 10, 2009

Mr. Jay O'Keefe
--Internal Mail--

Re: Appointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

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August 10, 2009

Ms. Eileen Griffin
27 Red Oak Hill Road
Willington, CT 06279

Re: Reappointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Griffin:

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Ms. Amber Hoyt
490 Wormwood Hill Road
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

Re: Appointment to Mansfield Youth Counsel Advisory Committee

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Ms. Sheila Riffle
E. O. Smith High School
--Internal Mail--

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Dear Ms. Riffle:

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August 14, 2009

Ms. Carissa Rutkauskas
171 Mount Hope Road
Mansfield Center, Connecticut 06250

Re: Mansfield Public Library Toddler Time Program

Dear Ms. Rutkauskas:

I am writing at the request of the Town Council in response to your recent letter regarding the cancellation of the toddler time program at the Mansfield Public Library. I specifically wish to clarify that the decision to cancel the program was made by staff and not the Town Council.

As I am sure you are well aware, this past year has been very challenging from an economic perspective and the Town Council balanced the Fiscal Year 2009/10 Budget in part by reducing expenditures for municipal departments and the school district. The library was affected, with a reduction of \$31,470 overall, including \$11,840 for staff salaries.

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Ms. Paula Blood
--Sent Via Electronic Mail--

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Ms. Beth Doyle
92 Summit Road
Mansfield, Connecticut 06268

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Mr. Bryan A. Connolly
87 Bassetts Bridge Road
Mansfield Center, Connecticut 06250

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Ms. Michele Boskovic
11 Michele Lane
Mansfield Center, Connecticut 06250

Re: Mansfield Public Library Toddler Time Program

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MEMO

8/19/09

To: Matt Hart, Town Manager
From: Lon Hultgren, Dir of P. W. / Cynthia van Zelm, Ex Dir, Mansfield DTP
Re: Design Build Questions - 1st Parking Garage

Pursuant to Council questions regarding the applicability of the "design-build" methodology for constructing the 1st parking structure in the Storrs Center project, staff has researched this matter through the funding agencies involved as well as our own experience and contacts in the design-build community and we do not believe this approach is a good match for our current situation. Reasons are as follows:

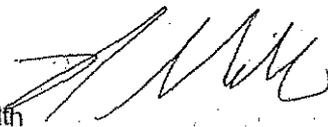
1. *To be successful, the degree of uncertainty in a design-build project has to be minimal.* In our case, there are uncertainties with regards to how the adjoining buildings are going to be accessed/tied to the structure, how the intermodal aspect within the facility will be addressed, and how access to the structure will be made for busses. All of these reasons favor a careful design-bid-build process over design-build.
2. *Strict cost controls may actually be easier to implement in a design-bid-build process than design-build.* Even with design build, there will be exclusions in the contract for unforeseen costs and events. By using design-bid-build not only can the costs be controlled by the use of bid alternates, but uncertainties (for example, encountering ledge) can be investigated thoroughly in the design process through extensive boring and soil testing during design. In the design-bid-build process the costs are broken into component bid items, and the owner retains control over how much of any item is put in the contract for construction. This degree of control is lost in design-build.
3. *Given that the design grant is from the Federal Transit Administration and the construction grant is from the State of CT, combining the grants into one for the purposes of being able to use design-build would be extremely difficult, and in this case not supported by either of the funding agencies.* In the last week we discussed the design-build process with representatives from both the CT DECD (state grant for the parking garage) and the Greater Hartford Transit District (federal grant to design an intermodal facility that incorporates parking). Both pointed out the advantages of using a thoroughly vetted design-bid-build process involving all the stakeholders with an interest in this facility (for example, WRTD, UConn Transportation, etc.) as well as the difficulties they have encountered in using design-build in previous projects.
4. *The Town has encountered some difficulties in using design-build and staff would not recommend its use in this case.* In recent years the South Eagleville pump station and repairs to the Gurleyville Road bridge were done under the design-build model. Each project encountered difficulties that the designer should have recognized but did not.
5. *The principle advantage to design-build is time.* In this case, while time is important, we believe achieving a thorough, well-vetted design for this multi-modal facility is more important.

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Memo

To: Board of Directors
From: Robert L. Miller, MPH, RS, Director of Health 
Cc: Dr. Kenneth Dardick, Medical Advisor
Date: 8/13/2009
Re: 2009 (H1N1) Influenza A - Board of Directors Update

As you are aware, since we first became notified of the existence of a novel strain Influenza A (H1N1) in late April this agency has been fully engaged in responding to this event. Health District response is occurring in many different areas, generally in accordance with the EHHD Pandemic Influenza Response Plan (The plan is posted to the home page of our website). The purpose of this communication is to update Board members since our last update in June on agency response in the following areas; public health education and messaging, communication and notification of community stakeholders, disease surveillance, disease mitigation and control, coordination with local healthcare system, and planning and preparedness for mass vaccination and Rx dispensing. This update will include only update changes in the above categories. The June report is attached for background information.

Public Health Education and Messaging

The CDC and the state DPH will be rolling out a social marketing campaign on or about the end of August addressing and explaining the vaccination program. The Health District will coordinate with that campaign.

Communication and Notification of Community Stakeholders

The frequency of email updates for all stakeholders was reduced to an as needed basis over the summer. The frequency will likely increase this fall. Stakeholder specific updates and guidance were recently sent to area summer camps, and schools in preparation for the school year.

Disease Surveillance

We are developing a standard reporting form for area school nurses to facilitate school surveillance reporting, and will be providing that with instructions later this month.

Since July 1, 2009 this office has received twelve (12) laboratory reports of individual cases of influenza A. (As H1N1 is thought to be the only strain circulating during this period, the assumption is that they are all H1N1.)

We continue to receive weekly influenza reports from the DPH that indicate that Influenza activity has subsided significantly in the month of August.

Disease Mitigation and Control

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Most of our mitigation activities have already occurred in the form of education, planning, training, exercising, evaluating and revising plans over the past four or five years.

As indicated above, updated information regarding school guidance was provided to area schools. See below for more details regarding Vaccine.

Coordination with Local Healthcare Providers

The State DPH will be sending letters out to all private providers with information on the state's plan to distribute vaccine, and how they may obtain it. This letter will encourage private providers to make vaccine available to the CDC identified priority groups. The Health District will follow up the state letter with our own to ensure our local providers are fully informed, and encourage participation.

We have begun preliminary planning with area schools, VNA's and UConn Student Health Services regarding local vaccine administration targeting identified priority groups, and ultimately the general public.

Planning and Preparedness for Mass Vaccination and/or Rx Dispensing

We received formal notification that the EHHD is receiving an additional \$34,000 in public health emergency planning funds for the purpose of H1N1 vaccine distribution/administration planning and preparedness.

The State DPH will be rolling out their H1N1 Vaccine Distribution and Administration plan in mid-August. The EHHD is currently drafting a local plan that coordinates with the states plan. Selected salient plan concepts based on the states draft plan include:

- The state H1N1 vaccination plan is an enhanced version of the existing seasonal flu vaccine program.
- DPH and local health departments will use a combination of private and public assets to meet mission.
- Vaccine will be supplied to private and public providers at no cost.
- Vaccinations will occur at the local level under non-emergency conditions with minimal impact daily public activity.
- The EHHD will coordinate, collaborate and communicate with local private and community health care providers to develop and carry out vaccine distribution plan in accordance with the state's plan.
- Vaccine will be limited at the beginning but will increase as time goes on.
- The vaccination process will be a long-term effort, with the entire population eventually being offered vaccine.
- The first deliveries of vaccine will become available mid-October.

Implications for the Future

With the brief, but intense initial reaction and response to the first phase of this event during the end of April and the beginning of May, it became quickly apparent that we do not have enough resources to carry out all the components of our pandemic influenza response plans.

With the additional funding allocation for local vaccine planning, and possible additional funds for administration, it is apparent that the CDC and DPH seek to focus local efforts on vaccine distribution and administration. Despite this additional funding, and because of the other response areas that must be managed locally, such as communication, surveillance, public education, and disease control and prevention, *our ability to provide other core health district services may be impacted and felt by our citizens during periods that appear routine to the public.*

Even with this mild severity associated with this virus, there was early evidence that the healthcare delivery system could be quickly overwhelmed.

An important note, while the severity of illness continues to be similar to seasonal influenza, because of a lack of immunity in our population, we could potentially experience a twenty to thirty percent attack rate. Consequently, each of our local town governments should be individually developing continuity of operations plans that prioritize and assure that mission critical town functions are maintained through such an event.



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Memo

To: Board of Directors

From: Robert L. Miller, MPH, RS, Director of Health

Cc: Dr. Kenneth Dardick, Medical Advisor

Date: 6/10/2009

Re: H1N1 Influenza A - Board of Directors Update

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Public Health Education and Messaging

In coordination with the CDC and the Connecticut DPH to assure consistency of messages, the Health District is posting as needed information to our website for clinicians, parents, businesses, schools, daycares, individuals and others. Because of the volume potential associated with general public and stakeholder inquires, the website will be a critical asset in the distribution of information. We do plan to improve information access and organization on the site. We continue to field inquiries from the general public as well as the media. We also plan to have more print material available at satellite offices. We will continue to conduct these activities through the response phase of this event.

Communication and Notification of Community Stakeholders

This office is issuing weekly email updates and will continue to do so through the response phase. The frequency of these updates will be adjusted as needed. Currently, this update is sent to CEO's, board members, school nurses, school medical advisors, superintendents, UConn officials, emergency management directors, law enforcement, hospitals, behavioral health contacts, local public health emergency planning committee members, EHHD staff, and other interested parties. The briefing contains local, state and federal surveillance data, disease severity information, actions that response partners should implement, actions by the EHHD to plan and prepare, health information being shared with the public and healthcare providers, and other information as needed. This email update will continue to be the primary mode to update the EHHD community on H1N1 related issues. Individual stakeholders will be notified and/or consulted directly as needed regarding location or town specific action or issues.

Disease Surveillance

The EHHD is coordinating surveillance activities with the DPH in accordance with state and local response plans. We receive weekly statewide influenza surveillance data from the DPH that includes state and county level epidemiological data on influenza activity in the population. We also receive weekly H1N1 specific updates for the DPH that contain town level data. (This data is publicly available on the DPH website.) Locally, we've developed relationships with area providers, large employers, and schools to assist with tracking disease activity locally. For large employers and schools, unusual absenteeism is tracked and reported to this office. In addition, for schools experiencing an uptick in absenteeism, this office receives frequent updates on counts for influenza like illness. We are currently tracking such data for three school districts in our jurisdiction, (Bolton, Tolland and Willington).

Disease Mitigation and Control

Most of our mitigation activities have already occurred in the form of education, planning, training, exercising, evaluating and revising plans over the past four or five years. Public education regarding hand washing, respiratory etiquette and isolation while ill continue to be the cornerstones of messaging to control illness. Also, with respect to disease control we are currently working with, and supporting six school districts with the implementation of the CDC/DPH guidelines for disease control in a school setting. At the time of this document, these include Ashford, Bolton, Columbia, Coventry, Tolland, and Willington. Essentially, the guidelines recommend intensifying messages regarding hand washing, respiratory etiquette, and establishes minimum time frames for ill students and staff to stay away from school and other mass gatherings. Other social distancing interventions such as school closure, or the cancelling of mass gathering events is currently not supported by the available disease data.

Coordination with Local Healthcare Providers

The EHHD has developed strategic relationships with local community health care institutions and providers. These include area hospitals; long-term care facilities, behavioral health providers, private clinical providers, school nurses, the University of Connecticut, and others. The health district coordinates local surveillance activities and communicates clinical information on treatment and testing with these partners using our Local Health Alert Network (LHAN). The LHAN comprises redundant forms of communication with pre-programmed contact groups such as area physicians, area hospitals, area school nurses, and others. Communication mechanisms include broadcast faxing, email, *voicereach* (outgoing prerecorded messages), and landlines. We are constantly updating contact information for local healthcare providers. It is somewhat unclear if providers are receiving our information. Furthermore, if they are receiving it, are they following the guidance? In the near term we plan to test connectivity with providers in our jurisdiction.

Planning and Preparedness for Mass Vaccination and/or Rx Dispensing

A local and state mass vaccination and Rx dispensing plan are in place and coordinated. We also have an executed agreement with the University of Connecticut to support such an action if the Health District is called upon to do so. Unfortunately, there are many uncertain variables associated with mass dispensing making it difficult to plan and prepare at this time. The CDC/DPH has not yet established guidance on this issue. It is still unclear if vaccine for H1N1 will be mass manufactured. It is unclear that if it is manufactured, it be distributed. If it is distributed, it is unclear who will be responsible to administer the vaccine. Will it be local public health agencies, private providers, or both? Will antiviral medications

be distributed, and to whom? How shall they be dispensed? We will continue to plan and prepare as effectively as possible given these circumstances.

Concerns for the Future

With the brief, but intense initial reaction and response to the first phase of this event during the end of April and the beginning of May, it became quickly apparent that we do not have enough resources to carry out all the components of our pandemic influenza response plans. I have no doubt we will need to prioritize response plan components, and have started that process.

If a substantive impact to the population is projected for the fall flu season by federal and international health officials, the Health District will need to dedicate substantial full-time staff resources early in the response. We may need to call upon our membership town for support that may include staff and other resources.

One implication is that while we are preparing for this event, our ability to provide other core services will be significantly impacted and felt by our citizens during periods that appear routine to the public.

Even with this mild outbreak there was early evidence that the healthcare delivery system will be quickly overwhelmed.

Each of our local town governments should be individually developing continuity of operations plans that prioritize and assure that mission critical town functions are maintained through a severe event.

The following documents are attached for your information:

EHHD Pandemic Response Checklist (Appendix C from our response plan)

Pandemic Flu: Lessons From the Frontlines

APPENDIX C

EHHD Pandemic Response Checklist

Public Health Responsibilities During a Pandemic

All Phases

1. Lead a regional health education campaign for pandemic response.
2. Coordinate the community's emergency public health response through Emergency Support Function 8 (Health and Medical Services), and the Regional Disaster Plan.
3. Serve as the lead agency in District for risk communications messaging and public education. All jurisdictions will coordinate with region to ensure consistency of communications and messaging regarding pandemic influenza.
4. Provide effective communications to the public, the media, elected officials, health care providers, business, and community leaders throughout public health emergencies.
5. Conduct regional surveillance to track the spread of the human disease and its impact on the community. Through liaison with agriculture and wildlife agencies, assure influenza surveillance in animals in region and monitor surveillance data.
6. Provide guidance to health care system partners on clinical management and infection control.
7. Coordinate planning for and implementation of disease containment strategies and authorities.
8. Communicate and coordinate with health system partners through the ESF 8 to coordinate and manage health care system resources and information.
9. Develop and implement protocols for prioritizing the use of limited supplies of influenza vaccine and antiviral medicines.
10. Initiate and direct mass vaccination efforts.
11. Lead efforts to strengthen support, outreach, and training for vulnerable populations in region.

Pandemic Flu: Lessons From the Frontlines

June 2009

Trust for America's Health (TFAH), the Center for Biosecurity, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) analyze the initial response to the H1N1 outbreak, *Pandemic Flu: Lessons From the Frontlines*, which found that U.S. officials executed strong coordination and communication and an ability to adapt to changing circumstances, but it also how quickly the nation's core public health capacity would be overwhelmed if an outbreak were more severe or widespread.

The *Pandemic Flu: Lessons From the Frontlines* report reviews 10 early lessons learned from the response to the H1N1 (swine) flu outbreak, 10 ongoing core vulnerabilities in U.S. pandemic flu preparedness, and case studies of challenges communities around the country faced when responding to the outbreak. The 10 early lessons learned from the 2009 H1N1 outbreak in the report were that:

1. Investments in pandemic planning and stockpiling antiviral medications paid off;
2. Public health departments did not have enough resources to carry out plans;
3. Response plans must be adaptable and science-driven;
4. Providing clear, straightforward information to the public was essential for allaying fears and building trust;
5. School closings have major ramifications for students, parents and employers;
6. Sick leave and policies for limiting mass gatherings were also problematic;
7. Even with a mild outbreak, the health care delivery system was overwhelmed;
8. Communication between the public health system and health providers was not well coordinated;
9. WHO pandemic alert phases caused confusion; and
10. International coordination was more complicated than expected.

The report also identifies some surprises encountered during the H1N1 outbreak, including that much of the world's pandemic planning had revolved around the potential threat of the H5N1 (bird) flu virus, which had been circulating in Asia and elsewhere for nearly a decade. It also reveals that planners anticipated there would be six weeks of lead time between the time a novel flu virus was identified and its spread to the United States.

In addition, according to the analysis in *Pandemic Flu: Lessons From the Frontlines*, there are a number of systemic gaps in the nation's ability to respond to a pandemic flu outbreak. To further strengthen U.S. preparedness, the following 10 core areas must be addressed:

1. **Maintaining the Strategic National Stockpile** - making sure enough antiviral medications, vaccinations, and equipment are available to protect Americans, which includes replenishing the stockpile when medications and supplies are used;
2. **Vaccine development and production** - enhancing the biomedical research and development abilities of the United States to rapidly develop and produce a vaccine;
3. **Vaccinating all Americans** - ensuring that all Americans would be able to be inoculated in a short period of time;
4. **Planning and Coordination** - improving coordination among federal, state, and local governments and the private sector preparedness and planning activities on an ongoing basis, including taking into account how the nature of flu threats change over time;
5. **School closings, sick leave, and community mitigation strategies** - improving strategies to limit the spread of disease ensuring all working Americans have sick leave benefits and that communities are prepared to limit public gatherings and close schools as necessary;
6. **Global coordination** - building trust, technologies, and policies internationally to encourage science-based, consistent decision making across borders during an outbreak;
7. **Resources** - providing enough funding for the on-the-ground response, which is currently under funded and overextended;
8. **Workforce** - stopping layoffs at state and local health departments and recruiting the next generation of public health professionals;
9. **Surge capacity** - improving the ability for health providers to manage a massive influx of patients; and
10. **Caring for the uninsured and underinsured** - ensuring that all Americans will receive care during an emergency, which limits the spread of the contagious disease to others, and making sure hospitals and health care providers are compensated for providing care.

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From: Robert L. Miller

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2009 4:29 PM

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Subject: Novel 2009 H1N1 Influenza Update for School Officials

Importance: High

Dear School Superintendents and Nurses:

Over the summer months, there have been some key updates from the CDC and the Ct DPH regarding the Novel H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu). As the 2009-2010 school year approaches, it is important that you are as up-to-date as possible regarding these advisories including immunization plans, information for parents, and current CDC guidance for schools.

Vaccine

It is anticipated that while you will see influenza-like illness (ILI) as early as the first days of school, a vaccine may not be available until mid-October. At this point, it is not certain how much vaccine will be available from those first deliveries. However, the immunization plans under development will accommodate multiple vaccine availability scenarios. The state DPH will release their vaccine distribution plan on or about mid-August once the CDC has made its plan available. The Eastern Highlands Health District too is drafting a local vaccine distribution and administration plan that will coordinate with the state's plan. Below are selected salient state and local plan concepts for your consideration:

- The CDC has identified children (> 6 months to 24 years of age) at a priority group for vaccination.
- Vaccine will be made available for free to all area private and public healthcare providers.
- Vaccinations are voluntary.
- Vaccine distribution and administration will occur under non-emergency conditions with minimal disruption to public daily activities.

- Vaccination process will be an on-going long-term effort with the entire US population eventually being offered vaccine.
- Opening and operating vaccination clinics in a school setting is effective in making vaccine available to school age children.

At some point during the influenza season when enough vaccine becomes available, it is the intent of the Eastern Highlands Health District to facilitate school based vaccination clinics for those schools wishing to host a clinic. This agency has begun coordinating with area Visiting Nurse Associations, and the state DPH for this purpose. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

Communication

Current recommendations note the benefits of early communication with parents regarding H1N1. A letter sent home now not only apprises parents that you are mindful of the H1N1 situation, but also provides an opportunity to reinforce key points including:

- School is the best place for well/healthy children
- Keep sick children home
- Practice and reinforce good respiratory etiquette and hand washing at home
- Current recommendations for returning children to school after ILI or confirmed H1N1

H1N1

The Ct DPH has a parent "welcome back" letter template at

http://www.ct.gov/ctfluwatch/lib/ctfluwatch/h1n1/72209/welcome_back_letter.doc

Additionally, The CDC has an extensive toolkit to assist you with communication efforts, and includes templates for home letters. The CDC toolkit can be found at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/schools/toolkit/>

Updated guidance for schools

On August 7, 2009 the CDC released updated guidance for schools (k-12) for the upcoming school year. One change to the guidance from the spring is regarding the recommended exclusion period for sick kids and staff. Specifically, students and staff with flu-like illness stay home until at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever. This is a shorter time period from the previous guidance which recommended that sick students and staff stay home 7 days after symptoms begin. The 7 day period away from school for sick students and staff would still be recommended under more severe flu conditions. (Please note that at the time of this email, the state DPH "welcome back" letter to parents does not yet reflect this new CDC exclusion guidance.) This guidance can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/schools/schoolguidance.htm> . This guidance is based on an H1N1 outbreak severity similar to spring 2009, and includes links for technical reports for all key points in the guidance including:

- Stay home when ill
- Separate ill staff & students if they become symptomatic during school hours
- Use proper respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene
- Routine cleaning of common 'touch' areas (no special cleaning recommended)
- High-risk students & staff

The CDC guidance at this link also provides some possible scenarios with an increased severity of H1N1 this fall compared to spring 2009.

Please note that the Hartford Courant printed a small section regarding these new guidelines at the bottom of Saturday's front page. *Much of that information was not accurate.* Please refer to the CDC website for accurate information.

Illness Surveillance

It is important for the Eastern Highlands Health District to monitor the prevalence of influenza-like illness locally. Local surveillance data is critically important when making local decisions regarding communication, and disease control and prevention. In an effort to standardize illness reporting by local area school nurses, the Health District is developing a reporting form for school nurses. To make surveillance reporting easier for everyone involved, we will send to each school nurse's office a form for surveillance reporting of ILI and absentee data with instructions by the end of the month.

Conference Call

We are sure many of you have questions. While we will not have all the answers, we do need to hear your concerns and comments. And while there is certainly still significant planning to do, we would like to hear preliminarily from some of you regarding the prospect of hosting vaccination clinics in your schools. What barriers or concerns are there? So that we can discuss these issues, we will be hosting a conference call.

Please reply to this message indicating which of the below listed times you or your representative are available:

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm Tuesday, August 18
9:00 am – 10:00 am Wednesday, August 19
9:00 am – 10:00 am Monday, August 24

Once we've received a critical mass of responses, we will provide call-in and pass code information.

We suggest that all schools start off with aggressive campaigns to promote good hygiene and respiratory etiquette. We know you actively promote this every year, but if you need fresh ideas or new posters for your schools, please contact our office.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Miller, MPH, RS

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August 20, 2009

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Item #18

Dear Matt:

You have asked me as town attorney for my opinion whether the Charter of the Town of Mansfield would permit the consideration of items other than the General Fund, Capital Fund and Capital Non-recurring Fund budgets to be presented to the voters at the Annual Town Meeting for Budget Consideration required by section 405C of the Charter.

In particular, the present example is whether the Town Meeting for budget consideration may consider a bond authorization for a project in the current year's Capitol Fund budget, approved at the previous Budget Town Meeting. For future reference, it would be useful to know if the Town Council has the authority to submit to the voters at the Annual Town Budget Meeting a question seeking authorization of the issuance of bonds totaling less than one per cent of the operating budget, for projects approved as part of a prior year budget, or the budget presented to the voters that evening at the Town Meeting.

Since the Town of Mansfield has a Charter enacted under the Home Rule Act of the State of Connecticut, Connecticut General Statutes section 7-187 through 7-201, inclusive, the Charter is the final word on any town meeting matter. In **Windham Taxpayers Ass'n v. Bd. of Selectmen of Windham**, 234 Conn. 513, 537-8 (1995), our Supreme Court noted: "As we have already stated, the extent of the use of the town meeting form of government is a matter of purely local concern. Windham's town charter enumerates those situations in which town meeting approval is required. A referendum to consider the prior appropriation of more than \$20,000 is not one of those enumerated situations. Had the town wished to require a town vote on a petition to repeal or reconsider a prior appropriation, such provision also could have been included in the charter."

At first glance, it appears that the only way for the Town Council to obtain final authority for a bond issuance would be to convene a town meeting per Charter section C407 regarding "Issuance of Bonds," just as this process was utilized on June 8, 2009. For future reference, however, the question is whether Charter section C405 ("Budget Town Meeting") permits the Council to place on the agenda for the Annual Town Meeting for Budget Consideration a question seeking authorization of the issuance of bonds.

Matthew W. Hart
Town Manager
August 20, 2009

Charter section C405 is very specifically entitled "**Budget** Town Meeting." (emphasis added). Section C405 expressly provides that "This meeting shall consider **the budget presented to it by the Town Council** and may approve, lower or raise the budget of any program. (Emphasis added). The fact that section C405 includes a very detailed process whereby the action of the voters on the **budget** at the **Budget** Town Meeting may be repealed via a referendum vote and the **budget** returned to the Council for possible enactment of a "substitute **budget**," is another indication that the voters must concentrate their attention and actions upon the extremely important matter of the annual town budget **only** at the "**Budget** Town Meeting."

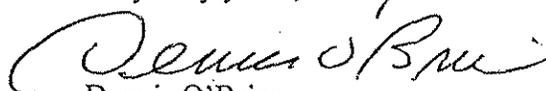
Finally, just as Charter section C405 has its own specially created rules and appeal process for the enactment of the annual town budget, section C407 sets forth specific guidelines and a separate and distinct appeal process for the "Issuance of bonds." It is the apparent intent of the framers of the Charter that the annual budget be enacted pursuant to Charter section C405, and that any bonding be done via section C407, exclusively.

For all of the foregoing reasons, I interpret the Charter of the Town of Mansfield to limit the "**Budget** Town Meeting" to the very important yearly consideration and action upon the town budget by the voters. It is therefore my conclusion that the Town Council is not authorized by the Charter to place on the agenda for an Annual Town Budget Meeting a separate item asking the voters to officially take final action on the issuance of bonds. Rather, it is the will of the framers of the Charter that bonding be accomplished only by way of the processes set forth in section C407 of the Charter: "Issuance of Bonds."

Finally, as noted, Charter section C407 permits the Town Council to convene a town meeting regarding the "Issuance of Bonds." As you have suggested, there is no legal bar to the Council properly noticing and convening a section C407 meeting on "the second Tuesday in May," the same evening that the annual Budget Town Meeting **must** be convened "at 7 p.m.," as long as the section C407 meeting does not conflict or overlap with the Budget Town Meeting. If the Council ever decides to do this, it would seem prudent to schedule the C407 meeting to be called to order right after the C405 meeting is adjourned.

Please let me know if you need any more from me on this.

Very truly yours,



Dennis O'Brien
Town Attorney

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July 30, 2009

Windham Regional Planning Commission
c/o Ms. Jana Butts
700 Main Street
Willimantic, CT 06226

Re: Draft 2009 Windham Regional Land Use Plan

Dear Regional Planning Commissioners and Staff:

At its July 27, 2009 meeting, the Mansfield Town Council discussed the draft 2009 Windham Regional Land Use Plan. Subject to the exception noted below, the Council concurs with the comments and mapping suggestions submitted to you by the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC).

The Town Council decided not to take a position regarding the "Pleasant Valley Road" mapping recommendation provided to you by PZC. Council acknowledges that there is a differing of opinions between our Planning and Zoning Commission and our Conservation Commission on whether this area should or should not be included in the mapping for the Willimantic Regional Center. For reasons cited in their letter, the PZC favors including this area in the mapping for the Willimantic Regional Center while the Conservation Commission is opposed to its inclusion due to its agricultural and natural resource features. Appropriate zoning for the area in question has been a controversial subject for the community for many years and remains under active study by the PZC. The Mansfield Plan of Conservation and Development, adopted in 2006, identifies the area as "Agriculture/Medium to High Density Residential/Open Space."

On behalf of the Mansfield Town Council, I thank the Commission for its consideration of our remarks.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Paterson
Mayor

c: Town Council
Matt Hart, Town Manager
Gregory Padick, Planning Director

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Approved October 14, 2008

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND ISSUE CHARGE TO AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE FOUR CORNERS SEWER PLANNING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Town has recently completed a Facilities Plan indicating the feasibility of sewerage the area surrounding the Route 195/Route 44 "Four Corners" and defining the extent of said sewer service area;

WHEREAS, planning for this project is continuing and will likely result in a bond referendum within the next year to approve funds for the design and construction of sewers;

WHEREAS, the Town Council has recently received a community based strategic plan, which among other goals endorses the principle of sustainability with respect to planning and economic development;

WHEREAS, the input of property owners, other interested parties and the Mansfield community is necessary for the development of a project that meets the Town's sustainability goals,

WHEREAS, an advisory committee for the Four Corners Sewer Planning project can be appointed and set to work while the Town Council is considering appropriate changes to its advisory committees and commissions, and may be combined with or replaced by a permanent committee or commission at some point in the future as determined by the Council;

WHEREAS, an advisory committee would assist the Town in planning for the sewerage project, most importantly between the present time and the bond referendum, when and if such a referendum is scheduled; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to establish an Advisory Committee to assist with this sewer planning project:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

A nine-member Four Corners Sewer Study Advisory Committee is established for the term of the Four Corners sewer project (or until it is replaced by a permanent committee or commission by the Council) and is authorized to perform the following charge:

1. Advise the Town Council, the Water Pollution Control Authority, the Planning and Zoning Commission and staff in its sewer and water planning efforts for the Four Corners by reviewing plans, proposals, studies and analyses;

2. Assist the Town staff in creating and reviewing economic development scenarios and preliminary fiscal impact analyses for the Four Corners area;
3. Communicate with the Mansfield Downtown Partnership so that the proposed Storrs Center development and any Four Corners development are coordinated;
4. Coordinate with the Town Council's Finance Committee on any recommendation for the Town's financial participation in the sewer project;
5. Assist with information sharing and public input for the project amongst sewer service area property owners, other interested parties, and the Mansfield community.
6. Assist the staff and Planning and Zoning Commission in the review and expected adoption of a Four Corners special design district (in an advisory role as the PZC is statutorily charged with this activity).

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF THE FOUR CORNERS SEWER STUDY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to appoint a Four Corners Sewer Study Advisory Committee to assist with the planning for sewers in the Four Corners area:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED TO:

Appoint a Four Corners Sewer Study Advisory Committee with the following members:

1. **Two members of the Town Council**
2. **One representative from the Planning and Zoning Commission**
3. **The Town Manager**
4. **One representative from the University of Connecticut**
5. **One representative from the Mansfield Downtown Partnership**
6. **Three citizens (preferably at least one from the Mansfield business community)**

Weekend Events

6th Annual Festival on the green

MANSFIELD DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP

Sunday, Sept 13

12:00-5:00 pm

(Rain or Shine)

Storrs Center Commercial Plazas

Rain Location: E.O. Smith High School

Festival Schedule of Events:

- 12:00 - Celebrate Mansfield Parade
(Post Office Parking Lot - Meet at 11:00 am)
- 12:00 - Festival Grounds Open
- 12:30-1:30 - Kidsville Kuckoo Revue
- 12:30-4:30 - Cooking Demonstrations
- 1:30-3:30 - Pony Rides
- 1:30 - Pie Eating Contest
- 1:45-3:15 - Local Talent Showcase
- 3:30-5:00 - Headliner: James Montgomery Band

Festival Events are FREE and Open to the Public!

Friday, September 11th

Vintage Mansfield

A Wine Tasting

5:00 - 7:00 pm

Altnaveigh Inn and Restaurant

Tickets \$35

Saturday, September 12th

23rd Annual Know Your Towns Fair

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Mansfield Community Center

Free and open to the public

Explore the River (Park)

9:00 - 11:00 am

River Park (Plains Road on the Willimantic River)

Free and open to the public

Music @ the Market

Storrs Farmers Market

3:00 - 6:00 pm

Mansfield Town Hall parking lot

Open to the public

Picnicpalooza!

5:00-7:00 pm

All-town picnic at E.O. Smith High School

Free and open to the public.

Can't bring a picnic? Check out the Farmers Market or our grill tent to purchase some outdoor eats.

Sunday, September 13th

Celebrate Mansfield Parade

Noon

Storrs Road (S. Eagleville to Dog Lane)

Free and open to the public

6th Annual Festival on the Green

12:00 - 5:00 pm

Behind the Storrs Center commercial plazas

Free and open to the public

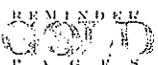
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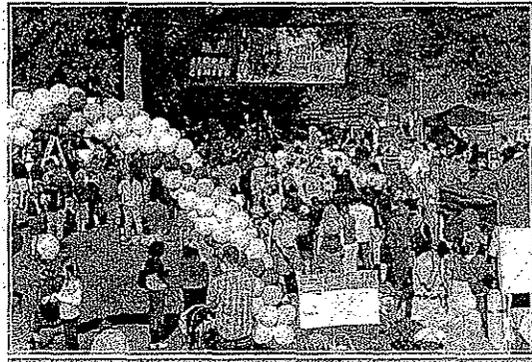
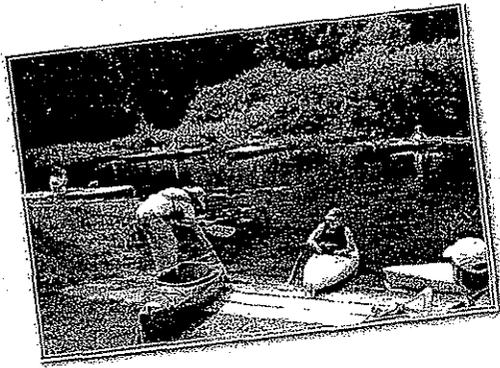
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 The Festival on the Green is a low-waste event. Keep it green! 



Mansfield Downtown Partnership
 is an independent non-profit organization whose mission is to: Strengthen and revitalize the three commercial areas of Storrs Center, Mansfield Four Corners, and King Hill Road by retaining and improving existing businesses, attracting new business, initiating real estate development and public improvements consistent with physical master plans, holding special events, and advocacy.

Storrs Center

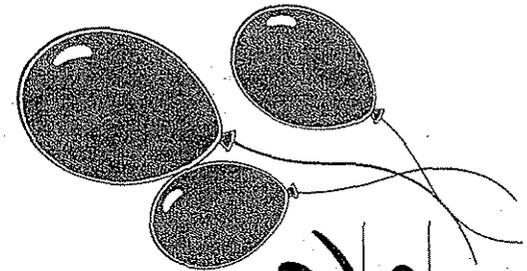
The Partnership's current focus is the downtown project. Storrs Center will be located across the street from E.O. Smith High School, the Town Hall, and the University of Connecticut. It will offer a lively mix of shops, cafés, office and retail space, and varied residential options.



Mansfield Downtown Partnership
Helping to Build Mansfield's Future

For more information on all of the Celebrate Mansfield Weekend events, please visit www.mansfieldct.org/fog.html.

We hope to see you in September!



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MANSFIELD WEEKEND

September 11th - 13th, 2009



Schedule of Weekend Events

Friday, September 11th

Vintage Mansfield

5:00 – 7:00 pm

Altnaveigh Inn and Restaurant

Tickets \$35



Kick off the Celebrate Mansfield Weekend with a wine-tasting hosted by Gail and Douglas Parks, proprietors of the historic Altnaveigh Inn and Restaurant. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres prepared by Mr. Parks while supporting the Festival on the Green.

For more information, please contact the Partnership office: 429.2740 or mdp@mansfieldct.org.

Saturday, September 12th



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

23rd Annual Know Your Towns Fair

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Mansfield Community Center

Free and open to the public

This annual event, sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Mansfield, gathers representatives from Town offices, UConn groups and area non-profits in one location to make newcomers to town and long time residents alike aware of the services they offer and the opportunities for public participation that are available.

In past years, each Know Your Towns Fair has hosted over 70 exhibitors providing information on health care; learning opportunities for children, youth, and adults; scouting; area museums, theaters, and artists cooperatives; local community services and more.

For more information, please contact the Mansfield League of Women Voters: <http://www.lwvct.org/lwvmansfield/>.

Saturday, September 12th Cont.



Mansfield Community Center

Explore the River (Park)

9:00 – 11:00 am

River Park (Plains Road on the Willimantic River)

Free and open to the public

Join Mansfield Parks and Recreation for free kayak trials, guided walks and backyard games (volleyball and badminton) at River Park, along the Willimantic River, a state designated greenway. Eight kayaks are available to rent for a nominal fee at the Mansfield Community Center. Volleyball and Badminton sets are also available to rent.

For more information, please contact the Parks and Rec Department: 429.3015.



Storrs Farmers Market

Music @ the Market

3:00 – 6:00 pm

Mansfield Town Hall parking lot

Open to the public

Enjoy the musical talents of Mansfield's own Seldom Heard and pick up the fixings for a great picnic dinner! Storrs Farmers Market offers premium local foods every Saturday from 3:00 – 6:00 pm from May through November.

For more information, please email StorrsFarmersMarket@gmail.com or visit www.storrsfarmers.org.

PICNICPALOOZA!

All-town picnic at E.O. Smith High School

5:00 – 7:00 pm

E.O. Smith High School

Free and open to the public

Bring some friends and some food! Can't bring a picnic? Check out the Farmers Market or our grill tent to purchase some outdoor eats! Bruce John and the Eagleville Band will provide musical entertainment while you picnic with your friends and neighbors. A relaxing and fun evening for all ages!

For more information, please contact the Town Manager's office: 429.3336.

Sunday, September 13th



Celebrate Mansfield Parade

Noon

Storrs Road (S. Eagleville to Dog Lane)

Free and open to the public

Mansfield takes to the street to show all that is unique and special about our town with a parade that features: marching bands, dancers, police and fire trucks, athletic teams, puppets, old cars, horses, bicyclists, color guard, animals, the traditional "Tykes on Trikes," our local politicians, a special 2009 Mansfield Grand Marshal, and much, much more! It promises to be the most exciting parade yet! Come early and reserve a "seat on the street" to give yourself a front row view of the 2009 Celebrate Mansfield Parade.

For more information, please contact the Partnership office: 429.2740 or mdp@mansfieldct.org.



6th Annual Festival on the Green

12:00 – 5:00 pm

Behind the Storrs Center commercial plazas

Rain location: Inside E.O. Smith High School

Free and open to the public

The Mansfield Downtown Partnership has many great activities planned for residents of all ages! There will be cooking demonstrations, a Juried Art Show, children's activities, sidewalk drawing, and a pie-eating contest. The fun starts when the Kidsville Kuckoo Revue takes the stage followed by the "Local Talent Showcase." The James Montgomery Band will round out the entertainment. Of course, there will be plenty of food for sale by Mansfield restaurants!

For more information, please contact the Partnership office: 429.2740 or mdp@mansfieldct.org.

For more information on all of the Celebrate Mansfield Weekend events, please visit www.mansfieldct.org/fog.html.

We hope to see you in September!

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Honorable Mayor Paterson and
Members of the Town Council,

Thank you for allowing John Shemo
and I to present this past Monday.

We hope the materials provided are helpful
to outline our focus and direction. Please
feel free to contact me with any questions.
We hope even in challenging economic
times we continue to strengthen our region.
Once again, it was a pleasure!

Best regards

Becky Nolan

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Council creates ^{8/11} downtown committee

By MIKE SAVINO
Chronicle Staff Writer

MANSFIELD — The town council Monday formed an advisory committee to examine parking for the Storrs Center Project, but not before some disagreement about changes to limit the committee's charge.

The council ultimately voted 5-1 to create the parking steering committee, with Gene Nesbitt opposing after saying he wanted to expand the focus of the committee to include input on financial and design issues. Councilmen Leigh Duffy, Meredith Lindsey and Carl Schaffer were not present.

The committee — comprised of residents as well as town and University of Connecticut officials — will provide input to the council and Downtown Partnership Committee as they progress with the proposed \$220 million Storrs Center project.

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Hartford group makes pitch for Mansfield

By MIKE SAVINO 8/17
Chronicle Staff Writer

MANSFIELD — A Hartford-based organization focused on economic development and business networking is waiting to hear if Mansfield will once again become a member.

MetroHartford Alliance met with the town council Aug. 10 asking it to consider becoming a member town after ending its membership in 2007, but the council did not make a decision.

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Mansfield council endorses youth plan

By MIKE SAVINO
Chronicle Staff Writer

MANSFIELD — The town now has a blueprint for early childhood development after the town council endorsed the town's plan for young children Monday.

The endorsement means the plan, created by the Mansfield Advocates for Children to focus on children up to 8 years old, is part of the town's Mansfield 2020 strategic plan.

The council was careful, however, with its 6-0 vote, to ensure it was not guaranteeing any funding for the financial portion of the plan, which still needs to be developed. Councilmen Leigh Duffy, Meredith Lindsey and Carl Schaefer were not present.

Human Services Director Kevin Grunwald said, as part of the plan, officials may seek a grant providing as much as \$100,000 over two years to the town, but the town might need to provide a match of up to \$25,000.

"I'm uncomfortable with the motion if the word endorse also endorses (the financial plan)," Councilman Helen Koehn said.

Town Manager Matthew Hart suggested the council stress it is endorsing the plan and not formally approving it.

Grunwald said the plan "truly does provide us with a blueprint of where we want to go," creating goals as well as ways to measure success in the future.

He added officials and volunteers focused on "what's gonna turn the curve and how are we going to measure that" when they developed the plan.

Grunwald said plan developers decided to create three main goals — health, successful learners and "community connected-ness" — and worked backwards to determine how to reach those goals.

He said children feeling a connection to their community typically have more success, but the connection may be the most difficult of the three goals to measure.

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Mansfield plan aims to make all children healthy, successful

By **CAITLIN M. DINEEN**
Chronicle Staff Writer

MANSFIELD — A new plan for infants up to children 8 years old is geared toward making future residents of Mansfield more healthy and successful and to connect the community to its children.

The plan — which was developed by Mansfield Advocates for Children and more than 500 community volunteers — took nearly a year of research and meetings to develop.

Mansfield received a \$40,000 grant jointly funded by the Connecticut Early Childhood Education Cabinet — through the state Department of Education — and the William C. Graustein Memorial Fund.

The William C. Graustein Memorial Fund is a Connecticut fund geared toward improving the effectiveness of education.

“It’s been very exciting,” said Mansfield’s School Readiness Coordinator Sandy Baxter.

According to Baxter, when members of the advocacy group first started discussing the plan it became “clear pretty quickly”

what they hoped to accomplish.

She said it was necessary for the group to create this plan to best serve the children in Mansfield.

For Baxter, and others involved, it was not only a matter of creating a plan, but it was about creating it quickly to address the younger population of Mansfield.

Baxter said 90 percent of a child’s brain is developed before the child reaches the age of 5.

It is during those crucial early years that children need the most support to develop, said Baxter.

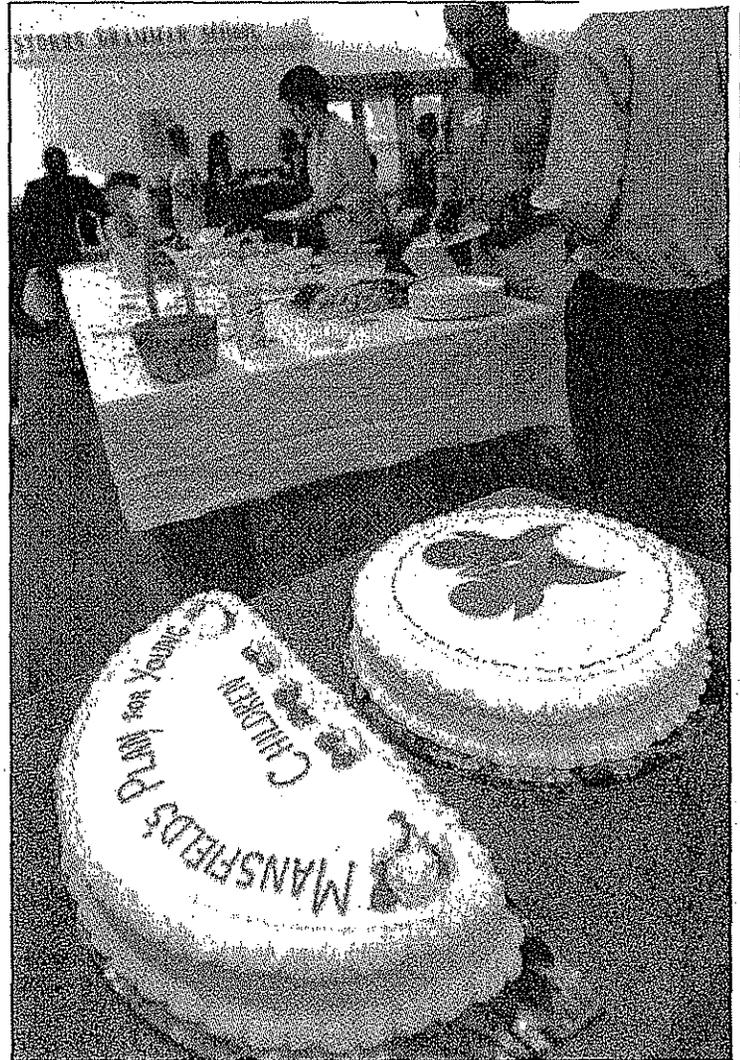
“They need quality support,” she said.

“That time doesn’t come along every day. It’s vital to use that time for learning and developing.”

She said early years should be about “doing” and not sitting around with papers and pencils.

Mansfield Superintendent Frederick Baruzzi said it was important to address the youngest residents of Mansfield because their formative years will play a large role in how successful they are when they are older.

“So much of a child’s success is
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Roxanne Paridolfi

Mansfield held a breakfast event this week for its education plan for young children. The event was held at the Audrey P. Beck Town Office Building.

Making children healthy and wise

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determined by their success and confidence levels by grade three," he said.

The plan — which was unveiled last week — aims to address the need to support those younger children who cannot yet support themselves.

Baxter said those creating the plan worked backward to figure out what Mansfield currently offers and how they can do it better.

"We had to look at each area," she said. "At how to get there versus where we are now."

Baxter said after collecting and sifting through data, those involved with creating the plan had to then decide how to address the areas they wished the change.

Volunteers looked at various statistics to learn more about each area they hoped to improve. Specific areas included:

- Health: The percentage of mothers with adequate prenatal care, the percentage of children with health body mass index and the percentage of children passing all physical fitness tests in grade four.

- Successful learners: The percentage of children scoring level three or above on kindergarten "inventory" testing and the percentage of third graders reading at or above state goals on Connecticut Mastery Tests.

- Community connectedness: The percentage of community members feeling connected to the university (this information does not exist yet because the committee is developing a way to measure it).

The plan aims to address these specific areas by connecting to all of Mansfield residents.

According to the plan's booklet, there are seven strategies that will be used to implement the plan in the future.

Strategies include reaching out to expectant mothers, promoting wellness in the community, identifying and meeting the demands for quality preschool offerings, improving literacy skills, developing a way to measure community connectedness and

improving communications between area families.

Although this may seem like a lot for one group, Baxter said she is confident volunteers will do their best to implement the plan.

"I think it's important when people are able to change the feeling of their community," she said. "There's a sense of accomplishment around that."

Baruzzi said he agreed that members of the advocacy group would be able to complete their task.

He said members of the group are a "real group of committed people."

According to Baxter, the plan does not only involve children. It requires reaching out to the entire community.

"Any program you're talking about for your children have to support the family," she said. "You can't separate the two."

Baxter said the advocacy members did not create the plan by themselves, she said they reached out to various area agencies to start making ties within the community.

She said having community partners — from such fields as health, transportation and housing — brought additional information to the group's discussions.

"It was important to have their expertise as we were making the plan," said Baxter. "So it's more realistic."

According to Baxter, having various groups represented helped people learn more about existing programs that could tie into the plan.

Baxter said these connections told volunteers what programs were established so they did not need to "recreate the wheel."

Baruzzi said it was important to involve as many community members and area agencies as well because they, too, have frequent contact with Mansfield's children.

"It's important to get as many of those people involved," he said. "The more people involved the better it is."



Roxanne Pandolfi
Sandy Baxter, project coordinator and Mansfield School Readiness Coordinator speaks at a breakfast event for Mansfield's education plan for young children.

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Town debates volunteer driver use

By MIKE SAVINO
Chronicle Staff Writer

MANSFIELD — Town officials are looking into the possibility of a volunteer driver program to help residents lacking access to public transportation.

The town council provided feedback to Town Manager Matt Hart and Human Services Director Kevin Grunwald Monday, including questions about who would manage the program and handle liability costs.

Even though some residents have access to public transportation, Grunwald said some sections of Mansfield do not have access to public options.

"I think you all know (public) transportation is difficult in a rural area," he said.

It can become "more problematic" for people who get away from the developed area, which has access to public transportation from the Willimantic area, Grunwald said.

Grunwald said current public transportation

options also do not easily meet the needs of residents, specifically seniors, who may not have access.

He said seniors have told his office they sometimes become uncomfortable riding the buses for long periods of time, while other residents have said the schedules are not frequent enough.

The council asked whether the town had a vehicle suitable for a volunteer driver program, noting the town would need a handi-capped-accessible van for the purpose.

Hart said the town did have a van, but the town's ability to use the van would be limited because the parks and recreation department currently uses the vehicle for some of its programs.

He also said the town would need drivers with a public service license and currently only one employee has one.

Hart added the town could seek grant opportunities to acquire another vehicle, but

Grunwald said some state grants could go away in the next budget.

The council also discussed the possible cost implications for the town, noting the town would open itself up to more liabilities should it manage the program.

Councilman Helen Koehn said she believes federal laws do protect volunteer drivers from liabilities in some cases, but Mayor Elizabeth "Betsy" Paterson said she was worried the town could still face lawsuits.

Grunwald said the town would not need to purchase more insurance, but it would increase the risk of claims filed against it, which could result in increased insurance rates.

Councilmen also wondered if the Mansfield Senior Center Association or other organization would be interested in managing the program.

At the end of the discussion, Hart asked Grunwald to review other communities with similar programs.

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UConn, Mansfield dam gets federal funds 8/7

WASHINGTON — U.S. Senators Chris Dodd, D-Conn., and Joe Lieberman, I-Conn., have announced that Connecticut projects — including some local projects in Mansfield — will receive more than \$16.6 million in the Energy and Water Appropriations bill passed by the Senate recently.

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Environmental Protection Agency, the Army Corps of Engineers, and other federal agencies for Connecticut for fiscal year 2010.

“The funding of these projects will greatly benefit the people of Connecticut,” said Dodd. “These initiatives will create new jobs, support energy efficiency, improve our environment and strengthen our economy.”

“Investing in these projects will go a long way toward protecting our natural resources, reducing energy costs, and creating jobs,”

said Lieberman. “Our state, cities, towns, and businesses will all benefit from the funding provided to these worthy initiatives.”

Local impacts are:

- The University of Connecticut in Storrs, which will receive \$1 million for fuel cell research that will improve performance, increase durability and reduce costs.

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which will receive \$861,000 for Mansfield Hollow Lake, in Mansfield.

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By Katherine Barrett and Richard Greene

Item #29

Bidding Boards Goodbye

Boards and commissions can be expensive—whether or not they meet.

There are lots of ways governments try to address complex issues. One of the more popular is to set up boards or commissions. The logic is pretty straightforward: Legislators simply don't have the time to concentrate sufficiently on all the individual issues that require targeted attention. A commission can do that and out of the spotlight of politics. But some of these institutions aren't particularly effective. What's more, they cost money year in and year out. It's kind of like buying a horse to pull a carriage: You have to feed the horse every day, even if he never actually comes into contact with a carriage.

Consider some of the 2008 findings from the legislative auditor in West Virginia. Although many of the state's commissions meet regularly and are useful, the auditor also found that the Boundary Commission had three members, two of whom were people whose terms had expired while the third seat was simply



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Do states need the help of all those advisory groups to run their governments?

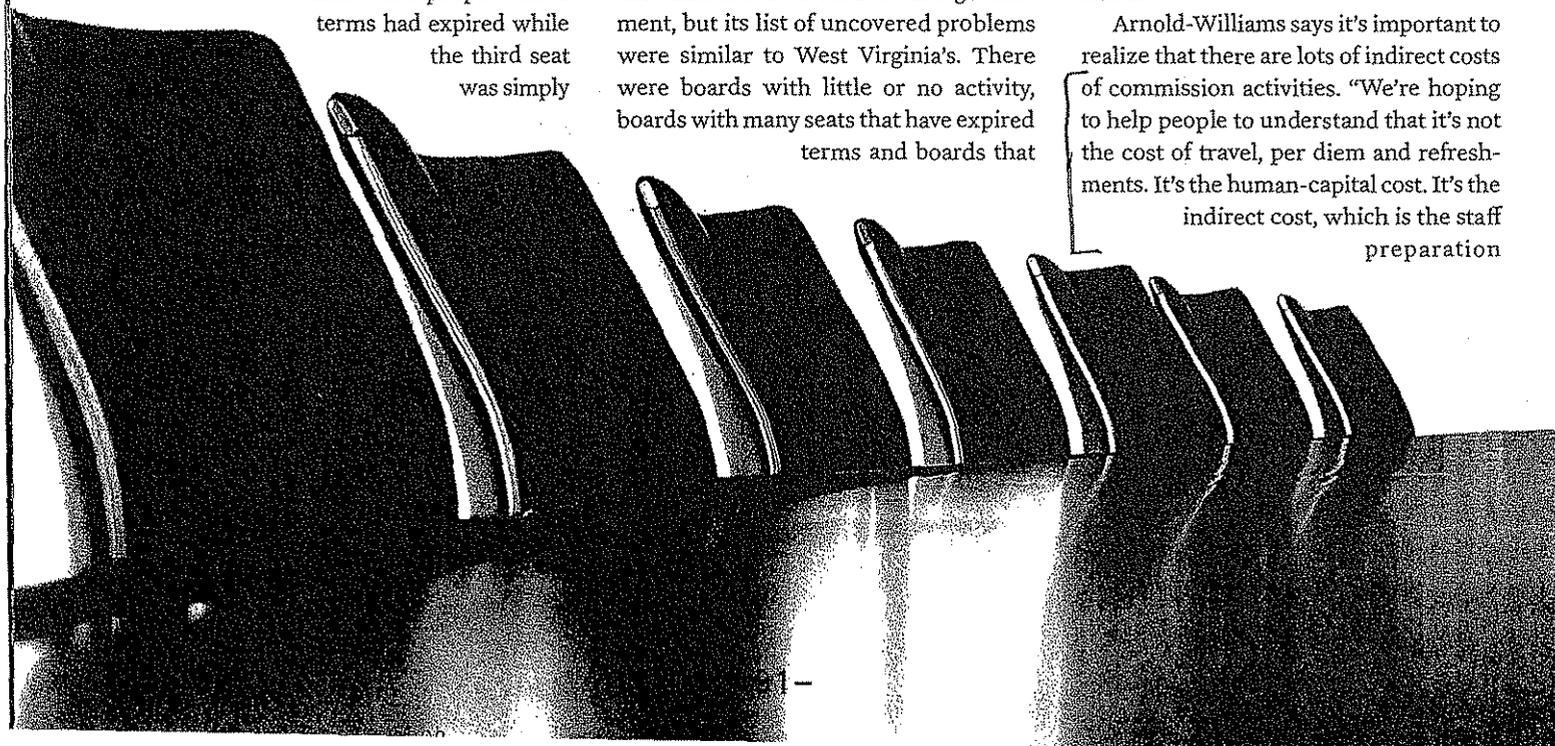
vacant. In any case, the commission hadn't met in three years. Then there was the Governor's Mansion Advisory Committee. It hadn't met in the past three years, either, and no meetings were scheduled. The State Personnel Advisory Council was composed of 11 positions. They were all vacant.

In February 2008, a study authorized by the Maine legislature examined the state's 261 boards and commissions as part of an effort to figure out ways to reduce government costs. The Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability concluded that some of the entities contributed to state government, but its list of uncovered problems were similar to West Virginia's. There were boards with little or no activity, boards with many seats that have expired terms and boards that

appear to have similar areas of focus.

Over in the state of Washington, the governor's staff was checking out the state's 470 boards and commissions to see if there was any potential to save some money by eliminating any that were no longer needed. They found, among other things, a great deal of duplication. Five different commissions were all dealing in some way with pesticide-related issues. "The governor was pretty clear in saying 'Do we really need 470 boards and commissions to help us run state government?'" Robin Arnold-Williams, director of the governor's Executive Policy Office, told us.

Arnold-Williams says it's important to realize that there are lots of indirect costs of commission activities. "We're hoping to help people to understand that it's not the cost of travel, per diem and refreshments. It's the human-capital cost. It's the indirect cost, which is the staff preparation



that goes into preparing for the meeting and getting the materials out.”

The SAGE Commission in Nevada, which is currently ferreting out waste and inefficiency in that state, has uncovered yet another cost for states that, in the words of Chairman Bruce James, “keep adding, but never subtract.” SAGE has noted that while the state’s IT office maintains 157 Web sites, with a staff of three full time employees, there are another 160 state-sponsored sites, many of which belong to boards and commissions. These maintain their own staff, for a total of some 160 part-time employees. The Web site situation, says Frank Partlow, executive director of the SAGE Commission, makes it very hard to even contact some of these boards and commissions because there’s no central guide to where they are or how to find them.

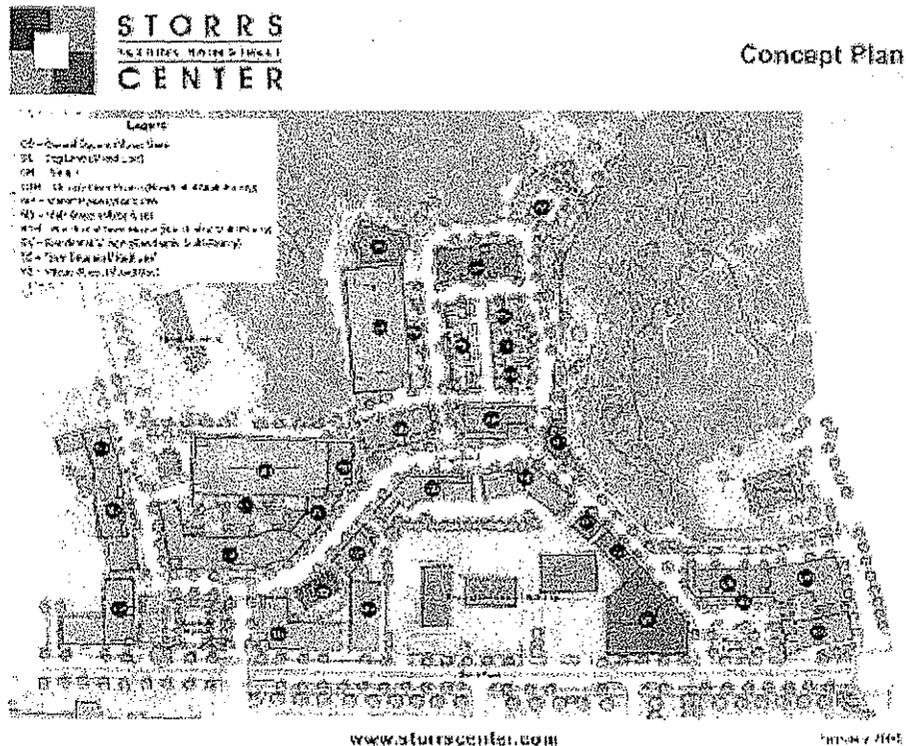
Even when ineffective commissions don’t actually cost money, there’s a symbolic expense. When an entity is set up and continues to exist—even if its state of activity approaches zero—it sends a message to everyone and anyone involved in its mission: Government really isn’t in the business of solving problems—it’s just pretending to do so.

For its part, the state of Washington eliminated 54 commissions by executive order last February, even though there was substantial pushback. The legislature got rid of another 18. It would have eliminated even more, if not for a technical glitch in the bill.

Critics of these actions complain that cutting out commissions also short-changes the opportunity for citizen input. And that’s a point the governor’s team gave some thought to: whether the traditional commission approach was really the best way to get citizens involved. “We wanted to take the opportunity to think more broadly about how we engage the public in our business,” Arnold-Williams says. “In 2009, in the era of technology and social networking sites, we think there’s got to be a better way to get broader input into what we do.” **G**

Council creates advisory committee on Storrs Center parking
 by: Mike Savino | Staff Writer Wednesday, August 19th, 2009

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Storrs Center concept plan as of February 2009.
 The town council has formed an advisory committee to examine parking design for the Storrs Center project.
 The council voted 5-1 at its Aug. 10 meeting to create a parking steering committee.
 Councilman Gene Nesbitt cast the dissenting vote, after losing an argument expand the focus of the committee to include input on financial issues.
 The parking committee will include residents as well as town and University of Connecticut officials.
 It will provide input to the council and the Mansfield Downtown Partnership as it progresses with the proposed \$220 million Storrs Center project.
 The project is a planned as a mix of residential units, retail shops and commercial buildings to be built along Storrs Road, from Dog Lane to South Eagleville Road.
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Experts or general public?

Nesbitt also said the committee should include residents with expertise in the areas of finance, design and management issues related to parking.



Mansfield Town Council member Gene Nesbitt. File photo © by Brenda Sullivan. Councilman Bruce Clouette disagreed. "I think on these advisory committees, we need to get away from the idea that we're retaining experts. That's not the point," he said.

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Council members Leigh Duffy, Meredith Lindsey and Carl Schaffer were not present at the Aug. 10 meeting.

Council endorses plan to improve lives of children
by: Mike Savino | Staff Writer Thursday, August 13th, 2009



A plan for Mansfield's young children that encompasses three goals: health, creating successful learners and fostering community connectedness. The Town Council at its Aug. 10 meeting approved a plan for Mansfield's young children that encompasses three goals: health, creating successful learners and fostering community connectedness. [Also see 07-28-09 *Mansfield Today* story, "The plan: Help children to be healthy, educated and to strengthen community"] The plan, created by a group of volunteers working as the Mansfield Advocates for Children, focuses on children up to 8 years old. It now becomes part of the Mansfield 2020 Strategic Plan.

The motion to endorse the plan passed 6-0 (council members Leigh Duffy, Meredith Lindsey and Carl Schafer were absent).

The council did not, however, approve funding for the action plans. Council member Helen Koehn said, "I'm uncomfortable with the motion if the word 'endorse' also endorses [the financial plan]."

How to fund specific steps toward accomplishing goals and sub-goals is still being researched.

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Transportation emerged as major issue, including safe access to the library by those who use the local bus service, because there is no sidewalk connecting the library to the nearest bus stops [for example, at the corner of Routes 89 and 195].

"Transportation ran through all the issues we talked about," Grunwald said.

Councilman Christopher Paulhus, who also worked on the plan, agreed when Grunwald said the town should work with other organizations to improve public transportation.

Grunwald also noted that the plan not only sets goals but methods for measuring success toward reaching those goals.

He added that the level of a family's community connectiveness may be the most difficult of the three goals to measure.

Posted Aug. 13, 2009

Editor's Note: A complete copy of Mansfield's Plan for Young Children (in PDF format, which requires Acrobat Reader) - provides much more specific detail about the what, how and when of this plan - and can be downloaded from the town Web site:

http://www.mansfieldct.org/town/departments/social_services/mece/mac/blueprint_for_children/mansfield_blueprint_plan.pdf

Mansfield courted by Hartford- based business group
by: Mike Savino | Staff Writer Monday, August 17th, 2009



A Hartford-based organization focused on economic development and business networking wants Mansfield. MetroHartford Alliance extended the invitation to the Town Council at its Aug. 10 meeting. Mansfield ended its membership in the organization in 2007. The council did not make a decision at the meeting. MetroHartford Vice President John Schemo said the alliance has 1,000 members in the Hartford area, including towns, government and education officials, businesses and non-profit organizations. The alliance's Web site lists Andover, Columbia, Hebron, Tolland and Vernon among the 36 municipalities with membership.

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UConn, Mansfield dam get federal funds
by: HTNP Staff Tuesday, August 11th, 2009



Mansfield Hollow Dam.

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