



*Town Council members had the opportunity to take a tour of Coventry Lake with members of the Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee, where we discussed the Hydrilla treatment, lake levels and recreational uses of the lake. L to R: Scott Gallo, Debby Zeppa, Rep. Tim Ackert, Joan Lewis, Jonathan Hand, Carolyn Arabolos, Bill Piotroski. Photo by Debra Gallo.*

# TOWN NEWS



# FALL 2018

## Message from Joan Lewis, Town Council Chairwoman

I hope that you had a wonderful summer and a chance to enjoy all the natural recreational spaces that Coventry offers including our lakes, rivers, trails and open spaces. If not, do take advantage of them this Fall. I thought I would take the opportunity in this newsletter to provide information on some of them as well as concerns and ways in which residents can assist in their preservation.

**Coventry Lake and Hydrilla:** In August, I along with Council Finance Chair, Carolyn Arabolos, and Council Steering Committee Chair, Jon Hand, State Representative, Tim Ackert, and lake resident, Bill Piotroski, were invited by Debby Zeppa, Chairman of the Lake Advisory Monitoring Committee, to participate in an educational boat ride around the lake, offered by Scott and Debra Gallo, to view the areas where Hydrilla was present, look at water levels and hear other concerns from Debbie, Scott and Debra.

Hydrilla is an aquatic invasive species that will easily re-root and is both a perennial and an annual and poses a dangerous threat to our lake if not controlled. Treatments during the summers of 2016 and 2017 failed and as DEEP did not report this to the Town until after the budget passed, it was necessary for the Council to set aside \$95,000 from its 1.5% fund to the Capital Projects Fund for lake treatment for 2018 and 2019. The State contributed \$63,000 towards the 2018 treatments. Likely more funds will be needed for 2019 unless additional State funds are available. Each annual treatment consists of the initial treatment plus two follow up treatments. The total cost of the 2018 treatment was \$123,000. It may take 7 to 10 years of treatment to eliminate this threat to our lake. Further information on Hydrilla testing can be found on Page 7. Council members feel that Coventry Lake is one of our most important assets, and we must take the necessary steps to protect it.

Debbie and Scott pointed out that boats often come too close to shore producing large wakes that wash up on shore causing shoreline erosion as well as damage to residents' personal property. Also, as weeds grow in 12-15 feet of water, propellers can cause fragmentation of the aquatic plants which increases their spread. The proper distance for a Slow-No-Wake zone is 100 feet from shore for boats or 200 feet from shore for personal watercraft unless the vessel is taking off or landing a water skier. If you or your friends boat on Coventry Lake, try to maintain a proper distance from the shore and upon entering or leaving the lake remove any weeds from your boat to eliminate the chance of spreading an invasive plant within our lake or to another waterway.

I encourage anyone who has the opportunity to go out on our lake to do so, or simply enjoy a sunset from Patriots Park. It is an extraordinary lake surrounded by beautiful homes, beaches and woodlands. Canoes, kayaks and stand up paddle boats are available for rent at the Parks and Recreation Department website. Throughout the year, the lake offers many activities to all of Coventry residents.

**Eagleville Lake:** Coventry, Mansfield and the State have also shared in the treatment of Fanwort at Eagleville Lake. The Council has set aside \$17,000 for follow up treatment. The same boating concerns also apply to this lake. Another beautiful spot to visit is the dam at Eagleville Lake.

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### TOWN HALL HOLIDAYS:

Oct. 8	Columbus Day
Nov. 12	Veterans Day
Nov. 22 & 23	Thanksgiving
Dec. 24 & 25	Christmas
Jan. 1	New Years' Day

## COUNCIL CHAIRWOMAN'S UPDATE

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### Comings & Goings and Staff Accomplishments

Best wishes to Police Sgt. **Michael McDonagh** who has retired after 29 years of service, and welcome to our two newest officers, **Glen Bona** and **Robert Michaud**, who were selected from a pool of 150 candidates to fill our vacant slots. Glen and Robert are at the Police Academy until December 2018 and will then do a 12-14 week field training program before taking on their police officer duties.

Farwell to **Kristi Sadowski**, Director of the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library, who has taken a position in another town. She will be missed. Welcome to new Library Director **Margaret Kahn**.

Welcome to **Mark Owens**, our new Public Works Superintendent of Operations, who brings a wealth of experience to our staff, and to **Karen Dory**, who has joined the Town Clerk's office to fill the part-time position of Assistant Town Clerk.

Congratulations to Finance Director **Amanda Backhaus** and the Finance Office staff for receiving a Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This is the 10th year in a row that Coventry has received this distinction.

The **Parks & Recreation Department** has been recognized as a Better Sports for Kids Quality Program Provider by the National Alliance for Youth Sports for the Youth Basketball program. Kudos on this achievement.



Please check the spotlight section on the Town's website at [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org) for updated information on crumbling concrete foundations. A reminder that grant funding is available under two programs for inspections and core testing. Act now before funds run out.

**Williams Preserve and Trails:** Coventry's newest open space acquisition is the Williams Preserve on Cooper Lane bordering the Willimantic River. It was obtained through town funds, a State grant and a grant from Joshua's Trust and contains 55 acres. On Thursday, September 27, 5:30 to 7:00, Planning Director, Eric Trott and Eric Thomas, Chair of Ad Hoc Protected Spaces Stewardship Committee, along with the land owner will host an inaugural Trail walk through the property. The walk will be repeated on Saturday, September 30, at 1:00 to 2:30 PM. A foot path has been developed that passes through two sunny fields and down slope through a deeply wooded hillside to an overlook at the upper reaches of Eagleville Lake and the Willimantic River. A return trip up-slope provides good cardio exercise.

Coventry has many other beautiful trails. Maps of trails for Patriot Park Woods, Millbrook Park, Creaser Park, Riverview Trail and the Thornton Brook Preserve can be found at Trail Maps and Brochures under the Coventry Parks & Recreation Department website. The town's Conservation Commission website has bike routes.

The town could use assistance in the ongoing maintenance of these Trails. If you would be willing to volunteer some time to this effort, please contact Eric Thomas at [waterthames59@gmail.com](mailto:waterthames59@gmail.com).

**Coming events:** Look for information on **Walktober** events on the **Last Green Valley** website and at our Visitor Center on Main Street. The 35 towns in the National Heritage Corridor including Coventry will be hosting events from September 22<sup>nd</sup> to November 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Remember to vote** on Tuesday, November 6. Many have sacrificed much including their life to provide us with this opportunity. I believe we owe them our vote.

## TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE

We have been busy this summer with construction projects and planning for the future. We hope you have taken time to enjoy the Farmers' Market, Arts on Main featuring Master artist David Hayes and lots more. It will be a record year for the first use of a new soccer field at Laidlaw Park, completion of Mill Pond Park on Depot Road, completion of Mill Brook Place on Main, the opening of the Williams Preserve on Cooper Lane and the study of the newly-acquired abandoned Rt. 6 property.

Planning for the future includes refreshing our Plan of Conservation & Development of how we want to shape our community's future. A look at housing needs is available on our web page and a survey is coming. We are working on making sewers available on Rt. 44 at the Bolton town line and long-range regional transportation plans on the corridors to UConn. Committees are being established to look at softball facility needs and a possible transition to a merged fire department.

Improvements to our current facilities are underway to upgrade heating systems at both elementary schools, re-use and/or replace old oil tanks, make code improvements at the high school and address air-handling equipment and other code issues. School entrances at all schools were made more secure with State grant funds. The Academy building at the high school was expanded and fire codes addressed and the Youth building at Patriots Park upgraded for use by our school system for a training program.

The Library Expansion Building Committee revised their recommendation to reduce the square footage of the proposed expansion by 1,155 square feet, eliminating the new driveway and need for a retaining wall. This will go to an Adjourned Town Meeting/Referendum on the November 6, 2018 ballot. Information is available on the Town's web page of prior presentations.

## ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

860-742-4067

### VETERANS:

You have until September 30th to file your DD214 with the Town Clerk to be eligible for an exemption for the 2018 grand list. If you have already filed you do not need to re-file. You will receive your exemption automatically. There is also an additional veteran's exemption available for those veterans who meet income guidelines. Applications may be submitted to the Assessor's office until October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please call our office, 860-742-4067 if your income is less than \$43,000 if married or less than \$35,300 if single. We will be happy to give you more information and assist you in filling out the application.

### PERSONAL PROPERTY:

All business owners and owners of unregistered motor vehicles are required to declare their personal property by November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The forms will be available on the Town's web site, [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org) and in the Assessor's Office. Please contact us for further information or if you have any questions.

### FARM AND FOREST CLASSIFICATIONS:

The intent of these classifications is to encourage the preservation of farm land and forest land. Certain qualifications apply which can be reviewed on the applications that are available on the Town's web site, [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org) and in the Assessor's Office. For deadlines and guidance please contact our office.

### TOWN OF COVENTRY 2019 REVALUATION:

The Assessor's Office would like to notify homeowners of the upcoming revaluation project being conducted for the October 1, 2019 grand list by representatives of the firm, Vision Government Solutions. This process will start around October 1, 2018. More information will be available after October 1, 2018 on the town's website regarding the process, as well as a more definitive timeline.

*Michael D'Amicol, Assessor and Rachel Vertefeuille the Assistant Assessor are here to assist you. Please stop in or call with any questions.*

## TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

860-742-4066

The July 2018 installment of the Grand List 2017 tax bills and COVRRRA fees are now delinquent & subject to 1.5% interest per month. The first installment of the Sewer Assessment bill, due in May 2018 is also now delinquent. Please call for correct amount due on any unpaid bill. The Sewer Use bills for 2018 were mailed at the end of August and are due in full in September. If your Sewer Use payment is not received here at the Tax Office or post office postmarked by October 1, 2018, please include a 3% late fee with your October 2018 payment.

The Real Estate second installment bill due in January 2019 is not mailed. You should retain your two remaining copies from the original July 2018 billing; one to be presented upon payment in January 2019 and the other as your receipt. Supplemental Motor Vehicle bills, which is a different type of tax bill than the regular Motor Vehicle tax due in July, will be mailed at the end of December for January 2019 due date only to those taxpayers that registered a vehicle **after** October 1, 2017.

Credit card payments are now accepted at the Tax Office counter as well as online through the Town of Coventry's website. Credit card payments will incur a 2.75% convenience fee. Please call the Tax Office for procedural details or check the town's website at [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org) home page on the left side (blue square marked Online Bill Pay). There you will find a link to pay your taxes online by credit card or from your checking account. Once again, the Webster Bank Lock Box in Hartford will be processing **CURRENT TAX PAYMENTS ONLY** during January 2019 for Real Estate 2<sup>nd</sup> half tax due and Supplemental Motor Vehicle tax due. Please include your current payment coupon with your check and mail to Town of Coventry, Dept. 336, P.O. Box 150417, Hartford, CT 06115-0417. All other payments (partial, late, sewer and delinquent COVRRRA) should be mailed directly to the Coventry Tax at 1712 Main St., Coventry, CT 06238.

Taxpayers owing delinquent motor vehicle taxes must pay by cash or money order for an immediate DMV clearance. Payments by personal check will result in a delay of ten (10) business days for the DMV clearance. Online payments will delay your DMV clearance for three (3) business days from the date your payment is processed.

Any Coventry taxpayer having difficulty paying their taxes on time is strongly encouraged to contact the Tax office to discuss payment arrangements.

**CALENDAR OF PAYMENTS:** **SEPTEMBER:** Sewer Use single annual payment due. **NOVEMBER:** Sewer Assessment 2<sup>nd</sup> installment due. **JANUARY:** Real Estate tax 2<sup>nd</sup> installment due. Supplemental Motor Vehicle tax due only if applicable. **MAY:** Sewer Assessment fee 1<sup>st</sup> installment due. **JULY:** Motor Vehicle, COVRRRA and Personal Property single annual installment due. Real Estate 1<sup>st</sup> installment due.

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

860-742-4064

We have been very busy reviewing and approving pool permits this summer. As pool season is wrapping up for the year, please take a moment to check your records to see if a Certificate of Use and Occupancy has been issued for your pool. Many pool owners think that the pool installer has scheduled the required final inspections. During the pool inspection, all safety items required by the State Building Code will be checked for compliance. Access gates must swing away from pool area and self-close and latch. A pool alarm must be installed. Pool wiring and bonding will also be checked for GFCI protection. Maintenance of all pool safety items rest with the property owner. Most of the required access barriers are required to keep small-unattended children up to the age of five out of the pool area. Any homeowner that has an existing pool can call the Building Department to learn about ways to protect their older pool installation. In addition to pools, any job that required a permit will need a final inspection to close out the permit. Please call and schedule a final inspection with the office staff at 860-742-4064.

Have you had necessary home projects to be completed, but worry that you aren't in a financial position to take care of them? You may want to consider contacting Peter Huckins at 860-456-0782. His Community Development Block Grant program may be able to help with low or no interest loans! His program is also responsible for assisting with foundation testing reimbursement for the crumbling foundation issue that is facing some of our Coventry residents. It's certainly worth your while to give Peter a call to see if he can assist you in taking care of one of your greatest financial assets. *(More information on page 7.)*



Finally, fall is the time of year to pay some attention to the maintenance of your home. Woodstoves and chimneys should be checked and cleaned to assure a safe heating season. Call and schedule a cleaning of your furnace to prepare for the winter home heating season. Also, be sure to check smoke

and CO detectors for proper operation. It's wise to properly maintain any and all of these appliances in order to prevent falling victim to carbon monoxide poisoning or a lethal house fire. Some other maintenance projects that are good to focus on in the fall are cleaning out gutters (try using a silicone spatula to assist in cleaning them out. This won't scrape up your gutters and still helps to remove unwanted debris), painting the outside of your home (even if it is just the trim work or a deck), and elongating down spouts to keep water from pooling near your foundation. Working on these projects will allow you to nestle in to your snug home for the winter season that is just around the corner.

## FIRE/EMS

The Town of Coventry Fire-EMS Department has had a busy few months. The departments responded to 278 calls in the second quarter of 2018. 75% of these calls are for the ambulance. Our volunteer firefighters continue to provide fire & EMS services to our towns residents and visitors and are greatly appreciated by the Town, if you see a volunteer firefighter, please thank them for their service.

In June, Fire Service members provided fire protection, EMS coverage and monitored the water front for Coventry Fest. This event was well attended and the weather was beautiful. We also provided an ambulance standby for the High School graduation.

*If you see a volunteer firefighter, please thank them for their service.*

In July, the Town Council approved the development of an organizational structure for the Fire-EMS Department which will improve the way we manage and operate the EMS services in town. We are making changes now that will be implemented this fall. This includes two additional hours of paid staffing for ambulance Monday-Friday.

On July 27, there was a fire at Wicked Slice Pizza on Main St. The firefighters were challenged with tough conditionals on arrival, but their quick actions kept the fire from spreading even further. Great job to all and sincere thanks to our mutual aid partners that came into town to assist.

Our ambulance crew, Tolland County Emergency Communications Supervisors and Coventry Police Marine Unit all provided training to the summer employees of the Parks & Rec department. They discussed how to report an emergency by calling 911; what information the ambulance crew would need to gather from the summer employees in an emergency and some water safety tips.

A new ambulance will be arriving in September and will be placed into service. We are looking forward to this updated lifesaving equipment.

Autumn is a great time to clean up around the house and get rid of leaves, twigs and brush. If you need a burning permit, stop into Town Hall. Our hours are M-W 8:30-4:30; Thursday 8:30-6:30 and Friday 8:30-1:30.

Jim McLoughlin, Fire Administrator  
[jmcloughlin@coventryct.org](mailto:jmcloughlin@coventryct.org)

## LAND USE OFFICE 860-742-4062

### STATE OF CT DEEP: RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT PROPOSAL

The State of CT DEEP has awarded the Towns of Bolton and Coventry \$110,632.00 of Recreational Trails Program Grant funds which will facilitate the planning and design of a potential multi-purpose, low impact trail on the properties that were obtained from the State of CT DOT as open space. Since 2013, the towns of Andover, Bolton and Coventry worked with the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT) to pursue the conveyance of the former RTE 6 Expressway properties that were acquired to allow for the construction of a new highway through the towns. The expressway project did not proceed beyond design and permitting and ultimately was not constructed. The goal is for the towns to own the property and preserve it as open space and enable a future multi-purpose, low-impact trail system. Approximately 277 acres were conveyed to Coventry earlier in 2016. The BSC Group has been hired to work with the towns to prepare a plan and preliminary design. Public meetings were held in January in Bolton and Coventry to seek input on the project. Both Towns have collected the responses and input that have been received and are in the process of reviewing and evaluating the comments as well as preliminary layouts in order to find balanced solutions. The Town will be reaching out to property owners whose residences may be in close proximity to the prospective preferred trail alignment to set up times to meet and discuss options. A second public forum will be held in both towns during the fall of 2018. Please contact Eric Trott at [etrott@coventryct.org](mailto:etrott@coventryct.org) or 860-742-4062 if you have any questions.

### MILLBROOK GREENWAY EXTENSION – DEPOT ROAD

The Town was awarded \$57,560.00 from the State of CT DEEP Recreational Trails Program. The funds will be used to continue the Mill Brook Greenway trail system, which is planned from Coventry Lake, through Historic Coventry Village, to the Willimantic River. The grant focus will be on the former Decew property located on Depot Road as well as another Town property that fronts on the Willimantic River. The project entails the creation of a parking area, installation of a low impact trail, viewing landing, guiderails, picnic table and benches, landscaping and historic interpretive signage on the Decew site. The property is the former site of a large industrial facility that was powered by the Mill Brook. The project will serve to cele-

brate the unique mill history on the site and the Mill Brook which was very significant to the development of Coventry Village. An improved parking area, fencing, trailhead sign, historic interpretive signage, picnic tables and landscaping will be installed on what is to be called 'Mill Pond Park'. Construction is scheduled to be completed in early September 2018. Questions on the project can be directed to Eric M. Trott, at 860-742-4062 or [etrott@coventryct.org](mailto:etrott@coventryct.org).



### COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Planning and Zoning Commission is currently in the process of preparing a revision to the Plan of Conservation and Development for the Town. This resource provides guidance on all aspects of the town and is updated every ten years. Part of the process of revising the Plan will involve a community survey. This was done in preparation of the current Plan which was adopted in 2010. A statistically valid survey was conducted by National Citizen Survey who will likely be hired to perform the survey again. They offer a unique benchmarking analysis by providing data comparisons with other similar communities in the country. This project is expected to begin in the fall of 2018. Please visit the town website for information pertaining to this or contact Eric M. Trott, at 860-742-4062 or [etrott@coventryct.org](mailto:etrott@coventryct.org)

### WILLIAMS PRESERVE DEDICATION CEREMONY

On Thursday, September 27 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm a dedication ceremony and guided walk will be held to recognize the town purchasing a 55 acre property from the Williams family on Cooper Lane. The purchase of the property was mostly funded by the State of CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and in partnership with the Joshua's Tract Conservation and Historic Trust. The parcel is very significant due to its extensive frontage along the Willimantic River, large wooded and field areas and a stream ravine. A second walk will be held on Sunday, September 30 at 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Please, no dogs on this walk. It is moderate difficulty along the 1 mile loop. Questions on this can be directed to Eric M. Trott, at 860-742-4062 or [etrott@coventryct.org](mailto:etrott@coventryct.org).

## TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE

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Using a \$800,000 grant from the Community Development Block Grant program, roofs were replaced at Orchard Hills Senior Housing and sidewalk improvements made.

Staff also submitted an application for recognition under the Sustainable CT accreditation program. We will hear on October 30th. Some interesting findings:

- The Town is one of only nine in the State which met our pledge to reduce our electricity use by 20%.
- Our Town and School solar panels in FY 17/18 produced 456,090 kWh of electricity.
- 17% of our residences participated in energy efficiency programs.
- Over the last 10 years we have increased our protected open space by 4% to a total of 13% protected acres.
- We have been named a SolSmart Gold Community by the Federal Department of Energy (one of four in our State).

The most exciting opportunity is that we are a finalist for a microgrid grant. This would allow the school complex, Town Hall, fire and police stations and possibly Orchard Hills senior housing complex to operate for over two weeks without power from the electric grid. Instead we would be generating electricity from natural gas, solar power and batteries. This would all be accomplished through a power purchase agreement with a third party installer at below market rates. We expect to hear very soon.

John A. Elsesser  
Town Manager

An advertisement for 911 text service. It features a yellow background with a black smartphone in the center. The phone screen displays the text 'CALL IF YOU CAN, TEXT IF YOU CAN'T'. Above the phone, there are icons for '911' and 'CT'. To the right of the phone, the text reads 'NEED 9-1-1? CALL IF YOU CAN. TEXT IF YOU CAN'T.' Below this, smaller text states: 'Text-to-911 is now available in Connecticut. If you need help, but can't safely speak on the phone or are unable to speak, use your mobile phone to send a text message to 9-1-1.'

For more information visit  
<https://www.text911ct.org>.

## COVENTRY FARMERS' MARKET NEWS

We are in the home stretch for the 15th season of the Coventry Farmers' Market and there are a lot of great markets still to come including Fiber Fest and a celebration of our farmers for National Farmers' Day. Find info on each week's theme on our Facebook page or Instagram. Please visit the Market's website at [www.coventryfarmersmarket.org](http://www.coventryfarmersmarket.org) to link to them. See you at the market!

- September 30 – Festival of Fiber Arts
- October 7 – Potters' Market & Farm-to-Shaker\*
- October 14 – National Farmers' Day
- October 21 – Holiday Shopping Market
- October 28 – Harvest Somethin' Pumpkin



Above: Full-time CFM vendor Dragon's Blood Elixirs showing their love for the market and all things Connecticut grown and made. Photo: Coventry Farms' Market.

### DAFFODIL BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT:



Sponsored by the Village Improvement Society, this town-wide service project is celebrating its 25th year! Enjoy the welcoming sight of daffodils throughout town this spring and consider placing a bulb order for fall planting. To order Dutch Master (all yellow) or the popular Mixed Variety at \$4.00 per dozen, please call Judy at 860-214-9567.

Get monthly notices of upcoming events by subscribing to the Town's e-blast. Visit the "Notify Me" section of the website at [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org) and click the box next to "Coventry Community Update."

## COMING EVENTS & NOTABLE ITEMS



**Visitor's Center Volunteers Needed**

Please consider being a volunteer at our Visitor's Center if:

- You enjoy meeting people
- Enjoy sharing information about our town
- You have a few hours a month to spare

We are open weekdays from May thru October 10AM to 4 PM  
Call that at 860 742 7847  
Checklist provided

sponsored by the Village Improvement Society

**Fri. & Sat., Sept. 28 & 29, Oct. 5 & 6, - Haunted Corn Maze:** 7-9 PM, Nathan Hale Homestead, 2299 South St. This hair-raising, spine tingling walk through the corn maze will either be a night to remember or a nightmare you may wish to forget. Last tour leaves at 9 PM. Not recommended for children under 8. \$10 per person/\$30 per family. Info: 860-742-6917. Rain date: Oct. 7.

**Sat. Sept. 29-Weds. Oct. 31—Pumpkins with a Purpose:** Weekdays 12-8 PM, Weekends 10 AM—6 PM. First Congregational Church, 1171 Main Street. The church lawn will transform into a huge pumpkin patch with hundreds of pumpkins, specialty gourds and fall décor for sale. First Church partners with a farm located on a Navajo Reservation in New Mexico that employs local Native Americans. All proceeds support the community and local church missions. Kids' Pumpkin Activity and Bake Sale on Oct. 21 from 12-2 PM. More information: 860-742-8487.

**Fri. Oct. 5—Quiet Corner Contra Dance:** lesson at 7:30 PM, dance at 8:00 PM. Patriots Park Lodge, 172 Lake Street. Dance to a caller and live music. Partner not necessary. Wear soft-soled shoes. An alcohol and tobacco-free event. Adults \$12, students \$6, under 12 free. Held the first Friday each month from Sept.—June. Contact Dave for info at 484-844-5203 or email [cancel.dm@gmail.com](mailto:cancel.dm@gmail.com).

**Sat. Oct. 6—Village and Mill Walk:** 1 PM. Coventry Historical Society is sponsoring this walk as part of The Last Green Valley's Walktober series. Led by Bill Jobbagy with a great deal of history to see in the Village. Park at the Tom Welles Agency lot (1365 Main St.) Info: 860-712-4278.

**Sat. Oct. 27—Old Coventry Center and Nathan Hale Cemetery Walk:** 1 PM. Coventry Historical Society is sponsoring this walk as part of The Last Green Valley's Walktober series. Begins at Patriots Park parking lot. The spirit of Fanny Rose Bennett will lead us around what was her home for many years. Coventry's first churches, the Rose-Manning Tavern where she grew up, the cemetery where her family and friends are buried with many of the patriots

honored on the monument green. Rain date Oct. 28. Info & reservations: 860-712-4278.

**Sat. Nov. 3—Coventry Chili Fest:** 12-2 PM, Coventry High School, 78 Ripley Hill Road. Sponsored by the Coventry Lions Club. Prizes will be awarded. For more information call 860-985-3558 or 860-742-8709. See the Lions' Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/CoventryLionsClub](http://www.facebook.com/CoventryLionsClub).

**Sun. Dec. 2 — Christmas in Coventry Village:** 12-4 P.M. Welcome in the holiday season throughout the historical section of Main Street as well as at Patriots Park. Vendors, businesses, community groups offer a variety of activities, events and specials. The Lions Club will host its annual Decorated Tree Auction. Santa pays a visit with the children! Horse and wagon rides! "Polar Express" train rides! Storytime! Refreshments! Giveaways! Lots of Holiday Music! Great shopping! A schedule of events will be available at local businesses as the day nears. Visit the Christmas in Coventry Village Facebook Page for updates. If you are interested in participating, helping, donating or more information, please contact Cindy Houser, 860-617-3588/[cjhouser@sbc.global](mailto:cjhouser@sbc.global), Barbara Barry, 860-803-7163 / 307barbara@charter.net, or Ruth O'Neil, 860-742-6878 / [songaday@hotmail.com](mailto:songaday@hotmail.com).

**Sat. Dec. 15 — Wreaths Across America:** 12 PM, Coventry (New) Cemetery, Memorial Drive. Wreaths Across America is a non-profit organization that places memorial balsam wreaths on the graves of soldiers to honor and remember our veterans all across the United States. It started at Arlington National Cemetery and has spread to all states. Coventry Cemetery will proudly take part for the first time this year. Donations for wreaths are \$15 each and the Cemetery Commission will take requests for specific veteran's graves. Make checks out to Wreaths Across America and mail to C. Vieten, 10 Godiva Lane, Coventry, CT 06238. If you want a specific veteran please submit your request with your check. You may also donate on the website Wreaths Across America. We have 82 veterans in Coventry who have served our country, and we hope that Coventry can make sure every one of them is recognized with a wreath. All are welcome to attend the public ceremony. Watch town e-blasts and follow the Coventry Cemetery Commission's page on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/CoventryCemeteryCommission](http://www.facebook.com/CoventryCemeteryCommission). For more information contact Claudine Vieten at 860-742-6750 or send an email to [claudine.vieten@gmail.com](mailto:claudine.vieten@gmail.com).



## THANK YOU!

Coventry High School Project Graduation would like to thank the following businesses for their support of the Graduating Class of 2018. The committee could not continue hosting this without their generosity. Highland Park Market, Meadowbrook Wine and Spirits, Subway of Coventry Village, Bidwell Tavern, DP Dough, Coventry Pizza, Dimitri's, Wicked Slice, Lakeview Restaurant, Shoprite, Coventry Fire Department, CIT-GO, Integrated Rehabilitation Services, Rusty Relic Antiques and Primitives, Twin Hills Country Club, 7-Eleven, Kirby Veterinary Hospital, Savings Institute Bank and Trust, Glen Celtic America F.C., Skungamaug River Golf Club, Eastern Insurance Associates, CHS Cafeteria, Class of 2018, Coventry Board of Education, Bogners, Coventry Police Station, Lions Club of Coventry, Price Chopper Coventry Youth Services, and Primary Residential Mortgage, Inc.

## COVENTRY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

The CSF Dollars For Scholars program has completed another successful year. At the high school awards ceremony in June, over \$50,000 in scholarship money was distributed to 70 graduating seniors from Coventry.

In addition, \$1,600 of book awards were given to Coventry students entering their senior year of college. Including multi-year awards, the Foundation distributed over \$52,000 this school year. The annual phone-a-thon held in March, 2018 netted approximately \$23,000. The Coventry Scholarship Foundation Trust would like to thank all the citizens of Coventry who helped make this another very successful year. This includes all of the volunteers, contributors, community organizations, school staff and Foundation board members whose joint efforts have helped this program grow each year. This is truly a community effort. We are looking forward to March 2019 and another successful phone-a-thon.

## FALL NEWS FROM THE COVENTRY LAKE ADVISORY & MONITORING COMMITTEE

Hydrilla, Eurasian milfoil, coontail, elodea. Strange names. They are the names to some of the aquatic plants living in Coventry Lake's waters. Do you know which are invasive plants? Can you identify them? There are 24 native and invasive aquatic plants living in Coventry Lake's waters. Want to learn more? Want to see pictures? Check out the booklet 'Coventry Lake Aquatic Plant 2018' which has pictures of 8 different aquatic plants and basic information. As an added bonus it compares a native to a similar looking invasive to help you in identifying plants. The booklet can be found on the Town of Coventry website's Home Page -> Our Community -> Boards & Commissions -> Lake Advisory & Monitoring Committee -> Aquatic Plants. Enjoy learning what is growing in Coventry's waters. You will also find information regarding the various hydrilla treatments in the same section. In the Resource section you will find information regarding the health of the lake, fish, and how to landscape your waterfront. Become more knowledgeable and help keep Coventry Lake HEALTHY! If you have questions, please contact Coventry Lake Advisory & Monitoring at [coventrylakeadvisor@coventryCT.org](mailto:coventrylakeadvisor@coventryCT.org).



### SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGERS NEEDED

The Coventry Human Services Office and the Salvation Army are looking for "Bell Ringing" volunteers.

- 90% of the donations to the "kettle" remains in town for residents in need of assistance for utilities, housing, food, prescriptions, camp scholarships and the "Gearing up To Learn" program.
- Bell ringing begins mid-December thru December 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Does your child need community service for school? This is a great opportunity!
- Call to volunteer as a Salvation Army "bell ringer" and make this a holiday tradition. Sign up will open in November.
- Just a few hours of your time is all it takes to help someone in need this year.
- Registration is done online. Contact the Human Services office at 860-742-5324 for details on how to register.

### HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM



**Would you be interested in receiving financial assistance from the Town for repairs to your home?** The Town of Coventry has funds available for its Housing Rehabilitation Program. The Program funds repair projects that include, but are not limited to: septic systems, roofing and siding, structural deficiencies, replacement windows, insulation, plumbing, electrical and heating systems. Low-income eligible applicants will receive a loan that is no interest and no payments until the property changes ownership. Moderate-income eligible applicants will receive a loan that is 2/3 no interest and no payments until the property transfers ownership and 1/3 zero percent interest paid over ten years in monthly installments. **To be eligible, you must have homeowner's insurance, not exceed 90% loan to value ratio, and the household yearly gross income must not exceed amounts below:**

Number in Family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Low Income	32,100	36,700	41,300	45,850	49,550	53,200	56,900	60,550
Moderate Income	47,600	54,400	61,200	68,000	73,450	78,900	84,350	89,800

For more information or to request an application, contact Peter Huckins, Program Coordinator, at 860-456-0782 or [peterhuckins@charter.net](mailto:peterhuckins@charter.net). All Information provided to the Housing Rehab Program will be confidential.

### CLERGY FUEL FUND

Residents who wish to make a contribution to the "Clergy Fuel Fund" can mail their contribution to Coventry Human Services c/o "Clergy Fuel Fund".

100% of the money raised is used to assist Coventry families in need of "emergency" fuel assistance once all other resources (ACCESS Energy Program and Operation Fuel) have been exhausted. We require proof of one out-of-pocket fuel payment.

Your contribution can make a difference this winter!

Contact the Human Services Office at 860-742-5324 for details.

# TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

860-742-7966

Hours: M-W 8:30-4:30, Th 8:30-6:30, Fr 8:30-1:30

## OUR SERVICES

Being one of the most visited offices in the Town Hall, the Clerk's office provides the link between the residents, the local governing bodies and the boards, commissions, and committees of town government. Our main functions are the recording, indexing and copying of land record documents and maps; vital statistics (births, marriages, civil unions and deaths); official repository of notices, agendas and minutes of the various boards, committees and commissions; election related matters including but not limited to the issuance of absentee ballots; answering various questions from residents; notarizing of documents; issuing of dog, marriage, civil union, sporting licenses; and receiving for record military discharges, trade name certificates and liquor permits. We also house and safeguard all of the Town's permanent public records.

### DOGS

**\*All dogs six months of age and older are required by the law to be licensed, and then renewed annually by June 30<sup>th</sup>.** The fees for September are \$11 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$22 for non-spayed or neutered. Pursuant to State Statutes, an additional \$1 per month penalty is assessed for each month after the June 30th deadline that your dog is not licensed. Remember you can mail your dog's renewal along with **updated documentation** if applicable, as indicated on the renewal letter mailed to you in May. We also ask that you send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with sufficient postage to ensure the delivery of your dog tags.



*Coventry's Top Dog!!  
Congratulations to Maggie!  
Maggie is a 12-year-old American  
Staffordshire Terrier, who lives with her  
family The Richmonds.*

**SPORTS LICENSES AND FALL PERMITS** are available at the Town Clerk's office or online at [www.ct.gov/dep/sportsmenlicensing](http://www.ct.gov/dep/sportsmenlicensing). For hunting or trapping licenses, you must provide proof that you held a resident hunting or trapping license within the last 5 years, or a certificate from a Connecticut Conservation Education/Firearms course. You can find Firearms Safety courses listed online at [www.ct.gov/dep](http://www.ct.gov/dep). Remember Deer/Turkey Kill Tags are now in the Connecticut Hunting and Trapping guides. The 2018 guides are available in our office during regular business hours.

**We know it is only fall but 2019 sports licenses make great Christmas gifts. They will be available December 1<sup>st</sup> just in time for a stocking stuffer.**

**Probate Court**—Tolland/Mansfield Probate Court – 21 Tolland Green, Tolland, CT, 06084. 860-871-3640.

## ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 6, 2018:

This November, we will be electing the following State Offices:

**Governor, Lt. Governor,  
United States Senator,  
Representative in Congress,  
State Representative, Secretary  
of the State, Treasurer,  
Comptroller, Attorney General,  
Judge of Probate**

Please participate on November 6<sup>th</sup> and exercise your right to vote. Absentee Ballots will be available in the Town Clerk's office beginning **October 5, 2018** upon proper application.

### Get out and VOTE!

Voting will be from 6:00 AM – 8:00 PM.

**Applying for Permanent Absentee Ballots:** Pursuant to Public Act 12-57, individuals with permanent disabilities may apply for **permanent absentee balloting status**. This enables the elector to receive an absentee ballot for each election, primary and referendum in the municipality.

To be eligible, an elector must file an absentee ballot application together with a doctor's certificate stating that they have a permanent disability and are unable to appear in person at their polling place. An ED-3, "Application for Absentee Ballot" and ED-3R, "Application for Absentee Ballot for Referendum Authorized To Be Held With Less Than 3 Weeks' Notice" will be necessary if the elector wishes to vote at Budget Referendums and Adjourned Special Town Meetings not held in conjunction with an election.

The ballot for referenda held with less than three weeks' notice cannot be mailed by law. You must pick up in person or indicate a designee on your application to pick it up at the Town Clerk's Office for you.

File the completed documentation with the town clerk. Once received, absentee ballots will be sent out to the elector throughout the year for each event for which they would be eligible to vote.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -

Volunteer and serve your community by serving on a board or committee. The town is served by many volunteer boards and commissions. If you are interested in serving on a board or commission please review the current vacancies and complete the Statement of Interest form online at [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org). Completed forms may be submitted online or to the Office of the Town Clerk. The Council Steering Committee reviews these applications and makes recommendations for appointment to the whole council.

# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

100 Olsen Farm Road • 860-742-6588

Director / Tree Warden  
 Superintendent of Operations  
 Admin. Secretary / COVRRRA

Mark Kiefer  
 Mark Owens  
 Donna Wrubel

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**Household Chemical Waste Drop-Off Facility**  
 57 Hancock Road - Willington, CT 06279 - Phone: (860) 684-3163  
**Open from 9 am to 2 pm on Sept. 15, Oct. 6 & 20, and Nov. 3;**  
**then closed until April 2019.**

Call Public Works for a list of acceptable materials.

**Recycled at Coventry Public Works Facility:**  
 Car batteries, Motor oil, Transmission oil, #2 fuel oil, Brake fluid, Kerosene,  
 Gas cylinders, Diesel fuel, Antifreeze

## WHAT GOES IN THE BLUE RECYCLING TIPPER BARREL?

Public Works has become too familiar with the following message from Willimantic Waste concerning our mixed recyclables. Every day, every load is contaminated somewhere in the area of 12 to 20%. Since July 1, 2018 Willimantic Waste is charging the town \$95 per ton for that percentage of contamination that they have to clean out of our mixed recyclables. Please help the town and your fellow residents keep COVRRRA costs low by following the State Guidelines listed:

**Basic Guidelines:**  
 All items should be **empty, rinsed, clean and open**.  
 Do not shred, box, bag or bundle.

	<b>What's IN?</b>	<b>What's OUT?</b>	
<b>PAPER</b>	Cardboard & boxboard Food & beverage cartons Junk mail	Magazines & newspaper inserts Newsprint Office paper Pizza boxes	Gift wrap & gift bags Ice cream containers Paper cups (hot & cold)
<b>GLASS</b>	Beverage bottles & jars	Food bottles & jars	Shredded paper Take-out food containers Tissue paper
<b>METAL</b>	Aerosol containers (food grade only) Aluminum foil	Cans & bottles Foil containers Metal lids from cans & bottles	Ceramic mugs & plates Drinking glasses
<b>PLASTIC</b>	Plastic bottles (with or without caps attached) Plastic containers, tubs & lids	Plastic one-use cups (no lids, no straws)	Aerosol containers (deodorizers, cleaners, pesticides, etc.) Foil tops from yogurt containers
			Paint cans Pots & pans Small pieces of scrap metal Spiral wound containers
			Loose bottle caps Plastic bags & wrap Plastic plates, bowls & utensils Prescription bottles
			Single-use coffee containers Styrofoam cups, containers & packaging peanuts Water filters

To learn more, go to [RecycleCT.com](http://RecycleCT.com) © 2017 RecycleCT Foundation

## SNOW VS. MAILBOX

Residents are reminded to inspect and secure their mailboxes prior to the winter season. Many mailboxes are knocked off the post due to the weight of the snow. The Public Works Department will NOT repair or replace any mailbox that is knocked down or off due to the snow being discharged from the plow. Resident may construct a shield of plywood or a feed bag slid over two channel posts. This type of action will allow any snow discharge to hit the shield prior to the mailbox.

## NO PARKING BANS

During winter storm events the Public Works will issue NO PARKING BANS. These are put out to the residents via radio and T.V. Parking on the roadways during the winter months and storms only slows down the snow removal process.

## 2018 SUMMER ROAD WORK

### Chip sealed — 7 Miles:

1. Brewster Street
2. High Street
3. Wrights Mill Road
4. Lake Street (Monument Hill to High Street)
5. Cedar Swamp Extension
6. Reynolds Drive (Gable Road to Lombard Drive)
7. Richmond Road (Prep for Overlay)

### Asphalt Bituminous

#### Shimming — 5 Miles:

Portions of the following roads were shimmed in preparation for a chip seal finish course in 2019:

1. Daly Road
2. Broadway
3. North Farms Road, Joshua Lane and Barbara Drive
4. Satari, Zeya and Noor Drive
5. Rabbit Trail (Waterfront Park)
6. Gable Road (Actors Colony)
7. John Hand Drive

### Bituminous Asphalt Overlay - 1.4 Miles:

1. Bradbury Lane
2. Richmond Road

### Lancaster Road Drainage Project:

300 feet of 15 inch CMP drainage pipe collapsed and needed to be removed and replaced. In addition 5 catch basins were rebuilt to complete the project.

### Crack Seal — 5 Miles:

2018 Crack Sealing in preparation for roads to be overlaid or chip sealed in 2019.

## LEAVES



Please make sure all drainage structures, swales and waterways are cleared of leaves to allow rain and snow melt to drain properly.

Now is also a good time to clean any leaves out of your roof gutters to prevent damage from snow melt freezing. Leaves can be brought to the Transfer Station no charge. Leaves don't have to be bagged but if they are, simply dump them when you come in and take the bags home with you. Also trailers can be used.

## TOWN/STATE PROJECTS

**Main Street Reconstruction: (CDOT #32-130):** Project is completed. All streetscape improvements will become the responsibility of the Town to maintain.

**Lake and Cross Street Improvement (LOTICIP):** Final construction punch list completed. Project complete.

**Mill Pond Park on Depot Road: Recreation Trail Grant Improvements:** The Town bid the project with only one bidder which was 4 times the budget. A smaller bid was awarded the project was completed. The work was funded by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection grant received in 2016.

**Jones Crossing Bridge Replacement:** The Town has approved funding. Local wetlands permitting being sought. Construction is being delayed to spring 2019 due to Army Corp of Engineers permitting. A grant application is pending for some funding.

**Folly Lane Bridge Replacement:** State funding approval anticipated for the total replacement of the bridge. Design and permitting anticipated in 2019 with Construction in 2020.

Applications are pending for Swamp/Bread & Milk Street and South Street from Seagraves to beyond Strong Porter Museum.

### TREE WARDEN:

Connecticut laws protect trees in Town Right of Ways and properties. Planting, pruning or removal of trees within the Town Right of Ways (ROW) at roadside requires approval of the Tree Warden. State Statute requires a written request for permission to remove or plant trees in the ROW area. Unapproved work in the ROW is subject to fines and damages. Call before you cut. Rights of Way vary from Road to Road. Trees removed unlawfully are subject to a fine equal to the appraised value of the tree. The Tree Warden's email address is [mkiefer@coventryct.org](mailto:mkiefer@coventryct.org). Do not use email to contact the Tree Warden for **emergencies** – call Public Works at (860) 742-6588 or the Police Department at (860) 742-7331.



## WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

### Contact Us:

Mike Ruef, WWTP Operator, 860-742-4064, email [mruef@coventryct.org](mailto:mruef@coventryct.org)  
[www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org); the link to the WPCA page can be found by clicking on Your Government > Boards & Commissions > Water Pollution Control Authority

### Projects Update:

- Western Route 44 Sewer Planning Area: We have completed the pressure monitoring study of the Lower Bolton Lake sewer system. The goal of the study was to ensure that adding pumps in Coventry won't have adverse effects on the Bolton Lake's system. Results are encouraging. The report has been sent to the Town of Bolton and the Bolton Lakes Regional WPCA (which includes properties in Vernon) for review and comment.
- Treatment Plant digester tank rehab: Bi-annual inspections of the "digester" tanks at the Treatment Plant have shown progressive deterioration of the concrete tank walls and steel mixing mechanisms. Town staff have been making minor repairs and grinding/coating rusted steel to extend its life but after 33 years of operation major re-build/rehabilitation is necessary. We are working with our consulting engineers to put a bid together for sandblasting and coating the concrete tank walls and replacing the steel mixing structures. We hope to begin work in spring of 2019. The WPCA has been proactive in planning for this work and the project will be funded from WPCA capital reserves.
- Summer road work: CT DOT is milling and overlaying Main Street from Route 44 to Route 275. We only have 1 sewer manhole in this area and are ready to adjust it during paving. The Town is doing work on several roads with sewers (Rabbit Trail, Daly Road, John Hand Drive). We are working closely with the highway department to prepare to adjust manholes as needed.

### Did You Know?

- The Deer Island Wastewater Treatment Plant in Boston has the highest full treatment capacity of any treatment plant in the World at 1.2 billion gallons per day. Prior to 1951 raw sewage from the entire greater area Boston was discharged directly into Boston Harbor, polluting and contaminating shellfish beds, so new plants were built and major upgrades continued until 2000.
- By comparison Hartford's treatment plant has a capacity of 120 million gallons per day and our plant in Coventry has a capacity of 200,000 gallons per day.
- Sludge (solids) generated at Deer Island are digested, stabilized, disinfected, and sold as fertilizer. Methane gas generated during the sludge digestion process provides all heating needs for the facility and is used to generate electricity.
- CT has different environmental laws than MA so most sludge from Ct plants is dewatered and incinerated at one of several incinerators. Our sludge is brought to Hartford for incineration. You can see the three orange and white incinerator smoke stacks from I-91 just south of Hartford. It is not economical to harvest the tiny amount of methane from our digesters with current technology.
- Low interest/deferred loans for sewer connections are available for households within the sewer service area that meet federal income guidelines. Contact Mike Ruef for details. See income guidelines on page 7.

## TRANSFER STATION: 325 MAIN ST.

Open April through November: Thursday noon – 6 pm & Saturday 9 – 3 pm

Open December through March: Thursday 10 – 4 pm & Saturday 9 – 3 pm

Excluding holidays

As always, feel free to contact Donna at the Public Works Department at (860) 742-6588 or e-mail [dwrubel@coventryct.org](mailto:dwrubel@coventryct.org) for any assistance needed with your waste management.

### Curbside Monthly Oversized Items

**Pickup:** On the **2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month** residents may place at curbside by 6:30 am up to three oversized items to be picked up for free. These large non-metal, non-electronic items must be out on Monday regardless of your regular trash day. Examples are dresser, mattress or recliner chair w/metal removed.

### “In yard” trash/recycling service

**available:** Get your tipper cart picked up at your back door! (Or a mutually-agreed upon location for homeowners with extra-long driveways.) The town has a **few** slots for people (no additional fees involved) who are elderly or handicapped and have no one living with them or visiting regularly who can assist them with this task. Call Human Services (860) 742-5324 to apply for this service.

**Dumpsters available** at The Public Works Department for residents who are going on vacation and don't want to put their carts at the curb, have trash or recycling in excess of their carts or missed their pickup. To use the trash dumpster you must pay \$1 for each bag that you toss in. Bring trash and recycling to Public Works during work hours for disposal. Residents must stop in the office (7 am – 3 pm) for the dumpster key. Occasional light use only.

**Pickup missed?** Call All American Waste at (860) 289-7850 if your curbside trash or recycling is not picked up. This direct communication allows for pickup arrangements to be made. This same number should be called if you have monthly items out that don't get picked up or if your cart is broken. **PLEASE CALL DURING THE WEEK OF THE PICKUP TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION.**

**Tipper Cart broken?** Call All American Waste at (860) 289-7850 for information. Plugs for lids are available at Department of Public Works. Push them in snugly and inspect them regularly so they stay tight. This will ensure your tipper cart lid stays on your cart.

**For major cleanup projects,** All American Waste also provides 6 cubic yard dumpsters for 30 days rental at \$150 haul/\$80 ton, 15 cubic yard dumpsters for 30 days rental at \$175 haul/\$80 ton, and 30 cubic yard dumpsters for 30 days rental at \$175 haul/\$80 ton. Additional rental after 30 days will be billed at \$5 per day. Residents contract directly with All American Waste at (860) 289-7850. Be sure you specify you are a Coventry resident to get this contract rate.

### Materials acceptable with cost:

- Construction and demolition debris. Free of cardboard, metal and garbage.
- Land clearing debris; stumps & brush.
- Appliances with refrigerant \$10 each, no weigh-in necessary.
- Tires – automobile size – on or off rim \$5 each.

### Materials acceptable no cost:

- Textiles – clean, dry, contained in a bag.
- Gas grill propane tanks for recycling.

- Mixed recyclables (i.e. bottles, cans, cardboard, paper)
- Leaves for composting.
- Electronics, fluorescent light bulbs, batteries.
- Scrap metal materials (**metal tanks must be cut open and crushed**).

### Materials NOT acceptable:

- Garbage
- Grass clippings
- Furniture
- Hazardous waste

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*Come to the Transfer Station for some free compost.  
Bring your own shovel/bucket.*

### TEXTILE RECYCLING PROGRAM

For your convenience Bay State Textile and The Town of Coventry have three collection boxes to recycle textiles. One is located at our transfer station, one is next to the Annex behind the Town Hall and the other is located at Public Works, 100 Olsen Farm Road. **All** of the following items are acceptable and can be donated in any condition as long as they're clean and dry. Must be in bags: *belts, blankets, boots, bras, coats, comforters, curtains, draperies, dresses, flip flops, Halloween costumes, hats, jackets, jeans, jerseys (sports), napkins (cloth), pajamas, pants, pet beds, pet clothing, pillow cases, pillows, purses, scarves, sheets, shirts, shoes, shorts, skirts, slippers, socks, stuffed animals, suits, sweaters, sweatpants, sweatshirts, table linens, ties, towels, t-shirts, undergarments.*

Donate – Recycle – Don't throw away

**PLASTIC BAGS:** Please do **NOT** throw plastic bags / film / wrap into the recycling carts. (These items actually contaminate the load.) These items **ARE** recyclable, at Plastic Film Recycling drop-off boxes. here are a few local options for you...

Highland Park Market	1721 Route 44	Coventry 860 742-7361
Stop & Shop	1391 Main Street	Willimantic 860 456-8768
Big Y 141	Storrs Road	Mansfield 860 456-8051
Big Y	33 Fieldstone Commons	Tolland 860 872-0304
Price Rite	60 Cantor Drive	Willimantic 860 450-1624
Price Chopper	1220 Storrs Road	Mansfield 860 553 6555

The following plastic and film items can be dropped in the containers at these locations...please be sure they are clean and dry: bread bags, napkin/paper towel/bathroom tissue/diaper wrap, produce bags, newspaper bags, grocery bags, pallet wrap or stretch wrap, dry cleaning bags, snack or beverage cases wrap, retail bags, plastic air pillows used for shipping fragile packages, food storage (zip lock) bags, any other film packages marked with the recycle emblem. Call Public Works if you have any questions or go on the company's website at [www.plasticfilmrecycling.org](http://www.plasticfilmrecycling.org).

Homeowners are reminded that the tipper carts are owned by All American Waste and must remain at the property location that is billed for this service.

**Trash Holiday Schedule:** All American Waste will observe the following legal holidays thereby altering curbside pickup accordingly:

- November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Thanksgiving Day
- December 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day
- January 1<sup>st</sup> – New Year's Day

## COVENTRY YOUTH SERVICES

**Positive Connection Mentoring Program: Mentors Needed** - If you are a mature, responsible, well-rounded sophomore, junior and senior student who enjoys working with students, you may be interested in serving as a mentor. Beginning in November, this program meets every Thursday, during the school year from 2:30-4:30 at Robertson School. For more information or to apply, contact Youth Services.

**Counseling Services** – we are in search of a licensed, insured, contractual counselor to provide therapy for youth and family in our office, part-time. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to [cmowitz@coventryct.org](mailto:cmowitz@coventryct.org).

### Youth Job Bank-

**For Adults:** Could you use some help with fall clean up? Need a babysitter; lawn mower, or other odd-jobs around the house done? Hire a student from the Youth Job Bank! Youth Job Bank students range in age from 12-18 years old and can assist with yard work services, clean homes, provide animal care, babysit and more!

**For Youth:** Any student in grades 7-12 interested in becoming a member of and getting a job through the job bank should contact Youth Services to schedule a 45-minute appointment. During the meeting, program policies and procedures, in addition to basic job skills, safety measures and other key components to landing a job will be covered.

**Lending Library** – Coventry Youth Services is home to a (free) lending library featuring a variety of topics for teens, adults and parents. Over 100 titles give insight into today's issues around parenting, youth struggles, and tricky conversations. Please stop by Human Services to browse our titles, and check out a book.

**Community Service** – Human/ Youth Services often has a variety of community service opportunities for students (holiday programs, bell ringing, etc) in addition to numerous suggestions of other projects/agencies where students may obtain community service hours.

**For more information on any of the programs listed above, contact Youth Services Coordinator, Crystal Morawitz at 860-742-5324, [cmowitz@coventryct.org](mailto:cmowitz@coventryct.org).**

## HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

860-742-5324

### CONNECTICUT ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Energy Assistance program is designed to offset winter heating costs for low-income (below 60% of state median income) households.

#### What do I do if I want to apply for help?

To apply for assistance, applicants must schedule an appointment and provide copies of the following documents for all household members (*ALL documentation needs to be brought to the appointment, if not the appointment will need to be rescheduled.*)

- Names, birth dates and Social Security numbers for everyone in the home
- Gross income for 4 consecutive weeks immediately prior to your application (paystubs, self-employment worksheet, unemployment printout) for everyone in the households over 18. (if applicable)
- Self-employment Worksheet, 1040 and Schedule C. (if applicable)
- SS, SSI, SSDI Cash Assistance (if applicable)
- Pensions, VA, Bank Interest (CD, IRA)
- Child Support and/or Alimony documents
- Lease, rent receipt, mortgage statements (or property tax bill if either)
- Landlord's name, address and phone
- Current Eversource bill
- All pages from current bank accounts (checking & savings), the name of bank and your name must be on the printed statements

Benefits are determined by total household gross income and liquid assets. Deliverable-fuel households may use benefits starting November 15 and ending March 15.

We strongly encourage applicants to make an appointment with ACCESS Agency or Coventry Human Services early as space is limited. Coventry Human Services will be scheduling appointments on Tuesday's and Thursday's beginning September 5th. Appointments will be rescheduled if proper documentation is not provided at the initial intake.

*\*Program follows CT Poverty Guidelines, please call the office to see if you qualify.*

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*See other Human Services assistance programs on page 7.*

### FOOD BANK

If you are in financial crisis and in need of food, please call to schedule an intake and make an appointment to utilize the Food Bank.

#### Food Bank Regularly Scheduled Hours

Friday's 8:30-11:30 am

*\*Emergency Appointments are scheduled on an "as-needed" basis*

We are always accepting donations and the need can vary by the month/season so check out our Facebook page or give us a call periodically for our needs and wants! We are always in need of cereal, juice, spaghetti sauces, peanut butter and jelly. We also need paper goods such as paper towels and toilet paper as well as personal hygiene items such as tooth paste, deodorant, soap, shampoo and conditioner.

Thank you to our many volunteers who help throughout the year from stocking shelves, shopping and having extra hands during the busy holiday months. Without their support, the food bank, at its current level of service, would not be possible. We would also like to thank our students and staff of the Coventry High School, Transition Community Based Program for their weekly support.

**\*\*\*\*Please remember... check expiration dates as we cannot distribute expired items.**

### HOLIDAY "ADOPT A FAMILY" PROGRAM

If you are a family or individual in need of some help at the holidays, please call the office to schedule an intake.

**HOLIDAY DONATIONS:** The holidays are quickly approaching and there are many families and individuals who will benefit from your generosity at Thanksgiving and the Holiday Season.

- Donate food, canned goods, or fresh fruit and vegetables
- Donate toys, coats, mittens/hats and gift cards. (Coats must be new or gently used and laundered)
- Call for information on how you can "Adopt a Family" for the holiday.

Monetary donations can be made in lieu of food or gift item. Please mail your contribution to "The Holiday Committee" c/o Coventry Human Services.

**Youth Advisory Board: Members Needed!** Coventry Youth Services Advisory Board meets once a month to discuss and plan youth programs and initiatives. We are looking for at least one youth representative (middle or high school aged) to serve on the board. Community Service hours will be given to youth board members. We are also looking for Coventry adults who are interested in becoming part of the board. If you are interested or want more information about the Youth Advisory Board, please contact Youth Services at 860-742-5324.

# SENIOR CENTER

172 Lake Street • 860-742-3525

The Coventry Senior Center welcomes residents 60 years and older to enjoy a variety of social, educational and wellness programs. There are no membership fees and many of our events are low to *no* cost! The Center is open Monday-Wednesday, 9am-4pm, Thursday 9am-6pm and Fridays 9am-1pm. To see our monthly calendar, visit the Senior Center page on the Town's website or contact Brenda Bennett, Senior Center Coordinator at 860-742-3525.

## MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT IS OCTOBER 15- DECEMBER 7 – AND YOU HAVE CHOICES!

The annual Medicare Open Enrollment period is October 15 – December 7<sup>th</sup>. During this time any Medicare enrollee can change Medicare plans including Medicare Part D Drug Plans. For many individuals this is the only opportunity during the year to make coverage changes.

The Coventry Senior Center is host to a certified CHOICES counselor. CHOICES is a FREE counseling program that helps Connecticut residents understand their Medicare coverage and other healthcare options. A CHOICES counselor can help review Medicare documents, and insure that you are enrolled in plan that meets your healthcare needs, including Medicare Supplemental Plans, Medicare Advantage Plans and Medicare Part D Drug Plans. Additionally, counselors can also help enroll individuals into the Medicare Savings Program, which can assist in the payments of Medicare benefits.

If you would like to review your health insurance options, please call us at 860-742-3525 to make a confidential appointment with a CHOICES certified counselor.

## MONTHLY HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMMING

The Center is host to a number of monthly health and wellness programs offered at low cost to residents.

- Join us for a meal with friends and neighbors during our twice monthly luncheons or go with our *Out to Lunch Bunch* crew for a meal at a local restaurant. Meal details are in our monthly newsletter – download it directly from [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org)
- Get in those steps during our weekly group fitness class! Now offering a Level 1 fitness class on Tuesday and Thursdays from 9:30-10:30 and a Level 2 fitness class on Thursday at 1:00pm led by Mary Hurley, Certified Fitness Instructor. Level 1 fitness is a mix of “seated” strength training and light cardio. Level 2 exercises are performed in a standing position and utilize hand weights with a mix of balance, mobility, flexibility and coordi-

nation, muscular strength and endurance, and improve your posture while incorporating cardiovascular movements.

- Stretch out at our Wednesday afternoon YOGA class led by local yoga instructor, William Goodale.
- Have a health question? A wellness nurse from ECHN *Visiting Nurse & Health Services of Connecticut* is available monthly for FREE blood pressure or blood sugar checks, and to answer any medical questions. Podiatry Foot Care from Colchester Foot Specialists is available quarterly by appointment.
- Treat yourself! Schedule a manicure, professional haircut or massage during monthly *Spa* days.

Further details on monthly programming can be found in the Center's monthly program newsletter. Download the newsletter at [www.coventryct.org](http://www.coventryct.org) or receive it directly to your inbox by signing up for our Senior Center e-blast at [www.coventryct.org/list.aspx](http://www.coventryct.org/list.aspx). Registration for all monthly services can be made by calling the center at 860-742-3525.

## FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR COVENTRY SENIORS AND DISABLED RESIDENTS

The Coventry Rides senior handicap accessible van and handicap accessible minibus can take you where you need to go! We make regular trips Monday's, Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 9 AM to 1 PM to locations in Coventry, Bolton, Manchester, Tolland and Vernon. Our volunteer drivers are simply the best! At least two business days are required to schedule a ride. Please contact the Senior Center at 860-742-3525 for more information. For rides to the Willimantic area, please call Dial-A-Ride at 860-456-2223.



**Additional volunteer drivers are always needed. Please call the Senior Center for more information. No special license required.**

## BOOTH & DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY



1134 Main Street  
860-742-7606  
[www.CoventryPL.org](http://www.CoventryPL.org)

To see a full list of library programs and offerings visit our calendar!  
[www.coventrypl.org/events1](http://www.coventrypl.org/events1)

### Upcoming Library Closings:

The Library will be closed November 22nd and 23rd and December 25th.

### ACCESS THE LIBRARY FROM HOME!

Did you know that you have access to dozens of free online databases and apps with your library card number?! To see all of our Digital Resources and Databases go to <http://www.coventrypl.org/digital-resources.html>.

- **Download RBDigital:** Audiobooks, magazing, and eBooks--all in one app! Download now to listen or read.
- **Download Libby:** Also known as Overdrive, Libby is another way to access free audiobooks and ebooks with your library card.
- **Just for Kids & Families:** You can also access to TumbleBook Library with you library card! TumbleBooks has so much for kids and families including eBooks, read alongs, videos, bilingual resources, puzzles & games.



**Train Your Brain:** BrainHQ is Brain Training that works! Sign up with your library card to access courses, challenges, and games specifically personalized for your unique brain. BrainHQ is a brain-training system built and tested by an international team of top neuroscientists and other brain experts and even better-- it's free with your library card.

**Learn a New Language:** Mango Languages is a fun-infused way to learn a new languages. Mango prepares learners for realistic conversations in over 70 world languages as well as English Courses for Non-English Speakers.



**COVENTRY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS:** Jennifer Beausoleil, Chairman; Eugene Marchand, Vice-Chairman; William Oros, Secretary; Frank Infante; Mary Kortmann; Peter Larson; and Kelly Sobol.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:** The Board of Education generally meets on the second and last Thursday of each month. The remaining regularly scheduled meetings for 2018 are as follows: September 27, October 11, October 25, November 8, and December 13. Unless noted on the agenda, all meetings are held in the Administration Building Conference Room beginning at 7:30 p.m. and can be viewed on Channel 194. To watch previously recorded Board of Education meetings, please visit [www.coventryct.viebit.com](http://www.coventryct.viebit.com) to access the Town of Coventry's Video On Demand Library.

**OPEN DOOR MEETINGS:** Interested in learning more about our schools? Come meet with our Superintendent of Schools, David J. Petrone, Ed.D. His ongoing practice is to meet with as many parents and members of our Coventry community as possible. Open communication is a key component for true collaboration. Keep informed about education in our town by attending any of his Open Door meetings in the new school year. All of these informal gatherings will be held in the Administration Building Conference Room at 1700 Main Street. Please check the Superintendent's page on the website for 2018-19 dates.

**2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR APPROVED:** The Board of Education approved the 2018-2019 Coventry Public Schools calendar at the January 25, 2018 Board meeting. K-5 afterschool programs will again be offered on the three early release staff development days on December 6, 2018, January 30, 2019, and April 9, 2019. The approved 2018-2019 calendar can be found on our website at [www.coventrypublicschools.org/quicklinks/1819-calendar](http://www.coventrypublicschools.org/quicklinks/1819-calendar). Staff will start the new school year on Monday, August 27, and the first day of school for students will be Wednesday, August 29.

**WORKING PAPERS:** All children under the age of 18, who have secured employment, are required to have "working papers." To acquire these papers, the student must have a form of identification and verification in writing from their employer stating they have secured employment and bring them to the office at Coventry High School. You do not need to be a student at Coventry High School, only a resident of Coventry, to get working papers from the high school office. Should there be no one available at the high school, you may bring your information to the Superintendent's Office. If there are any questions regarding working papers, please call the Coventry High School Main Office at 860-742-7346.



**FOLLOW US ON TWITTER!** As part of our ongoing efforts to connect to families and the community, you can follow Coventry Public Schools on Twitter. To follow us search for "@SchoolsCoventry." Or, you can also connect to our account directly from our website at [www.coventrypublicschools.org](http://www.coventrypublicschools.org). Look for the Twitter symbol on the lower left hand side of the webpage. Be the first to know of school closing due to weather, an early release from school, or a delayed opening!

**VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES:** Coventry schools want you! Come and be a part of our school community! Whatever your interest, if you would like to volunteer in the schools, please contact one of the four principals.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:** There are flexible hour and/or day schedules with a wide variety of experiences available. **Teacher, para-educator, and School Nurse substitutes** please visit our website at [www.coventrypublicschools.org](http://www.coventrypublicschools.org) for additional information. **Cafeteria substitutes** call Beth Pratt, Food Services Director, at 860-742-4535. **Bus drivers/substitutes** call Dave Dexter, Manager, at M & J Bus Company at 860-742-0344 for more information.

**Coventry Public Schools  
General Information**

**Administration Building**  
1700 Main Street  
Phone: 860-742-7317 / Fax: 860-742-4567

**Business Hours**  
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Superintendent's Office: Ext. 2  
Business Office: Ext. 3  
Pupil & Staff Support Services: Ext. 4

**PreK**

Hale Early Education Center (HEEC)  
1776 Main Street  
Phone: 860-742-4550 / Fax: 860-742-5736

**Regular Hours:**  
AM Program 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
PM Program 12:00 Noon - 2:30 p.m.  
Before Care 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m./8:45 a.m.  
School Day 8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.  
After Care 2:30 p.m./2:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Early Release Days:**  
AM Program 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
PM Program 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
School Day 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

**Grades K - 2**

Coventry Grammar School (CGS)  
3453 Main Street  
Phone: 860-742-7313 / Fax: 860-742-4555

**Regular Hours**  
8:30 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

**Early Release Days**  
8:30 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

**Grades 3 - 5**

G. H. Robertson Intermediate School (GHR)  
227 Cross Street  
Phone: 860-742-7341 / Fax: 860-742-4582

**Regular Hours**  
8:30 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

**Early Release Days**  
8:30 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

**Grades 6 - 8**

Capt. Nathan Hale Middle School (CNHMS)  
1776 Main Street  
Phone: 860-742-7334 / Fax: 860-742-4565

**Regular Hours**      **Early Release Days**  
7:40 a.m. - 2:20 p.m.      7:40 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Grades 9 - 12**

Coventry High School (CHS)  
78 Ripley Hill Road  
Phone: 860-742-7346 / Fax: 860-742-4591

**Regular Hours**      **Early Release Days**  
7:40 a.m. - 2:20 p.m.      7:40 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Weather-related / Emergency  
Closings, Delays, and Early Releases**

Announcements regarding these closings, delayed openings, or unplanned early releases will be made via our automated phone calling system. In addition to broadcasting on various TV and radio stations, all student home phone numbers will be phoned.

**2 Hour Delay Notes**

**Preschool:**

No AM PreK Part-Day Program  
Before Care opens at 9:00 a.m.  
School Day opens at 10:45 a.m.  
Lunch Bunch opens at 11:00 a.m.  
PM PreK Part-Day Program opens at 12:00 Noon

**Grades K - 5:** CGS and GHR - 10:30 a.m. start time  
**Grades 6 - 12:** CNH and CHS - 9:40 a.m. start time

**Early Release Notes**

**Emergency/Weather-related**

NO PM PreK / AM PreK and School Day closes at 11:00 a.m.  
All other grades end at Early Release times  
NO afternoon / evening activities on school grounds

**Cafeteria Note: On all Early Release Days**  
(Planned or Weather-related/Emergency)  
Breakfast will be available K-12.  
Lunch will be available for Grades K-5 only.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Teacher, Para-Educator, and School Nurse Substitutes:**  
Call the Business Office at 860-742-7317, Ext. 3

**Cafeteria Substitutes:**  
Call Beth Pratt at 860-742-4535

**Bus Drivers/Substitutes:**  
Call M & J Bus Co. at 860-742-0344

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# 2018-2019 Coventry Public Schools

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**Student Days = 182 / Staff Days = 187**

**August 2018**

- 27 Staff Development
- 28 Staff Development
- ➡ 29 Students - Full Day

**September**

- 3 No School, Labor Day
- 5 CGS Open House
- 12 CHS Open House
- 26 GHR Open House

**October**

- 3 CNH Open House
- 3 HEEC Open House (PreK)
- 8 No School, Columbus Day
- 9 No School, Staff Development
- 24-25-26 All Schools Early Release - Conferences

**November**

- 6 No School, Staff Development
- 21 All Schools Early Release
- 22-23 Thanksgiving Holiday

**December**

- 6 All Schools Early Release
- Staff Development
- 21 All Schools Early Release
- 24-31 No School December Break

**January 2019**

- 1 No School, New Year's
- 15-16-17-18 CHS Exam Schedule
- 21 No School, MLK Day
- 30 All Schools Early Release/ Staff Development

**February**

- 18 & 19 No School, Presidents' Day and Winter Break

**March**

- 8 No School, Staff Development
- 20-21-22 HEEC, CGS & GHR Early Release - Conferences

**April**

- 9 All Schools Early Release
- Staff Development
- 15-19 No School, April Break and Good Friday

**May**

- 27 No School, Memorial Day

**June \***

- 6-7 & 10-11 CHS Exam Schedule
- 11 All Schools Early Release - or last day of school
- 15 Graduation (tentative)

**Grades PK - 5  
Trimester Marking Periods & Report Card Distribution**

- Period 1 ends **Nov 30** / Report Cards out on **Dec 7**
- Period 2 ends **March 7** / Report Cards out on **March 15**
- Period 3 ends **June 4** / Report Cards out on **June 11**

**Grades 6 - 12  
Quarter Marking Periods & Report Card Distribution**

- Period 1 ends **Nov 2** / Report Cards out on **Nov 9**
- Period 2 ends **Jan 18** / Report Cards out on **Jan 25**
- Period 3 ends **March 29** / Report Cards out on **April 5**
- Period 4 Grades **6-8** ends **June 4** / Report Cards out on **June 11**
- Period 4 Grades **9-12** ends **June 11** / Report Cards out on **June 21**

The alternative graduation date will be June 22, 2019.  
\* **ALL** June dates are tentative, based upon the number of days to be made up.

**School Phone Numbers**



- Hale Early Education Center (preK)..... 742-4550
- Coventry Grammar School K-2 (CGS)...742-7313
- G. H. Robertson School 3-5 (GHR)..... 742-7341
- Capt. Nathan Hale School 6-8 (CNH)... 742-7334
- Coventry High School 9-12 (CHS)..... 742-7346
- Administration Building..... 742-7317

**TOWN OF COVENTRY  
1712 MAIN STREET  
COVENTRY, CT 06238**



**\*\*\*ECRWSS\*\*\*  
POSTAL PATRON  
COVENTRY, CT 06238**

**ELECTION DAY IS  
NOVEMBER 6, 2018:**

This November, we will be electing the following State Offices:

***Governor, Lt. Governor,  
United States Senator,  
Representative in Congress,  
State Representative, Secretary  
of the State, Treasurer,  
Comptroller, Attorney General,  
Judge of Probate***

Please participate on November 6<sup>th</sup> and exercise your right to vote. Absentee Ballots will be available in the Town Clerk's office beginning **October 5, 2018** upon proper application.

**Get out and VOTE!**

Voting will be from 6:00 AM – 8:00 PM.  
**Polling places are at the schools.**

**PRESCRIPTION DRUG  
DISCOUNT PROGRAM  
OFFERS SAVINGS**

The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) offers this benefit to participating member communities.

- Available to any resident regardless of age, income or current health coverage.
- FREE for Coventry and FREE for participants.
- Every prescription medication, including some pet medications are eligible for a discount.

To use the benefit, simply present the discount card at a local participating pharmacy when filling a new prescription and start saving. Cards are available at Town Hall or print a replacement at their website: <http://ctrdiscountcard.com>. For questions call the 24-hour hotline at 877-776-2285.

**LEGAL NOTICE:**

A Special Town Meeting held on September 5, 2018 was adjourned to a Town Meeting and Referendum to be held on November 6, 2018 for a vote on the following question:

1. "Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Appropriating \$4,900,000 For The Planning, Design, Renovation, Construction, Reconstruction And Improvements To The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$4,900,000 Bonds Of The Town To Meet Said Appropriation And Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose', as introduced and read at a Special Town Meeting held November 6, 2018, be approved?"

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"Shall the resolution making an appropriation of \$4,900,000 for the planning, design, renovation, construction, reconstruction and improvements to The Booth And Dimock Memorial Library, be approved? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_."

The voting will be by optical scan voting machine. Those in favor of the resolution referred to in the question shall fill in the oval under the word "YES" under such question. Those not in favor of the resolution referred to in the question shall fill in the oval under the word "NO" under such question. Absentee ballots will be available at the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law. The polls will be open during the hours between 6:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M. (E.T.). Electors will vote at the polling places established for voting districts #1 and #2. The voters who are entitled to vote by reason of Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, may vote at District 1. Absentee ballots will be available in the office of the Town Clerk as provided by law. The polling places are as follows:

District 1 - George Hersey Robertson School, 227 Cross Street  
District 2 - Coventry Grammar School, 3453 Main Street