



In a pilot project spearheaded by The University of Connecticut School of Nursing, along with the Schools of Engineering and Medicine, Coventry Public Schools received 150 "Corsi-Rosenthal boxes" which are capable of removing up to 90% of COVID-19 laden aerosols from the air along with other pollutants and viral particles including the flu. The pilot program, developed to address indoor air quality improvements in Connecticut public schools, is also supported by Hayley's Hope and Michaela's Miracle MS Memorial Fund of the Petit Family Foundation (founded by Connecticut State Representative William Petit). L to R: Lisa Thomas, Chairwoman, Coventry Town Council; John Elsesser, Coventry Town Manager; Michelle Cole, Associate Clinical Professor, UConn School of Nursing; David Petrone, Coventry Superintendent of Schools. Photo by: Christina Small.



Message from Lisa Thomas, Town Council Chairwoman

Dear Neighbors,

Spring is a time of renewal. Yet, while we enjoy the blessings of spring, let's not forget to care for our neighbors who are in need and to be mindful of those who live in unrest and face hardships here and abroad.

This spring is particularly special as we are finally able to move forward with some of those things we held off doing, like gathering with family and friends, going on a trip, attending a party or performance, to mention a few. For many in Coventry it means planting gardens, outdoor sports, tag sales, getting back on the water, working on the house or enjoying the many trails in our wonderful network of recreational areas. It is a time when communities come together to enjoy the warmth and brightness of longer daylight and the promise that blooms of color bring us. I am grateful to all of you who work to build our community as a welcoming, caring place.

I also want to thank residents for speaking with me during my office hours. Your ideas and concerns are what your Town Council wants to know and address as best we can.

If you are interested in having a more direct voice through serving on one of our volunteer commissions or our Community Conversations, please visit the Boards and Commissions link on the town web site. Remember, too, that our Fire/EMS Service is always looking for volunteers. Contact Jimmy McLoughlin, our Fire/EMS Administrator, about the many ways you can be involved.

Here are some exciting projects underway in our town: construction of a softball field for our girls to call their own, design work to consider developing Miller Richardson into a fuller park for families to enjoy, sidewalks for walkability (soon we will be able to walk all the way around our lake!), improvements to our town library, road repairs, school roof repairs, and much more. These are funded by grants and by our operating budget. Please be sure to mark your calendar for the Saturday, April 23, Town Meeting where our Superintendent of Schools and our Town Manager will present the Town Council's adopted budget. That meeting will be in the high school auditorium at 10:00 a.m. Also mark your calendar for the budget referendum on Tuesday, May 3. Voting will take place from 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. For an overview of the budget, you will find the "budget in brief" in this newsletter. You can find the full budget on the Town website: coventryct.org If you have questions about items in the budget, please don't hesitate to email the Council – see details on this web page: <https://www.coventryct.org/225/Town-Council>.

Please take time to read this whole newsletter. You will learn more about town projects, programs for all ages offered through our Parks and Rec Department, Library, Human Services Department, Senior Center and others. There is also information about the accomplishments of our staff, about our schools, and updates from the various town departments. A big thank you to all of our volunteers and staff who work hard every day to make Coventry the best it can be!

The Town Council and I wish you a spring and summer filled with warm days and re-connecting with friends and family. We are so honored to be serving this wonderful community that we call home! Be well.

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TOWN HALL CLOSINGS:

May 30	Memorial Day
July 4	Independence Day
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Comings & Goings and Staff Accomplishments

Welcome to **Steven Prattson**, our new Building Official. Steven brings many years of experience to the town, having most recently served as Building Official for the Town of Vernon.

Congratulations to **Kelsey Carpenter**, who has been selected to serve in the role of Detective at the Coventry Police Department. Welcome to **Joe Pasini**, Patrol Officer, who joined the ranks of the CPD earlier this winter after serving for several years with the City of New London's Police Department.

Congratulations to **Carrie Zahner**, who was promoted to the position of Tax Collector; and to **Ida Cabral**, promoted to the position of Assistant Collector of Revenue. With the hiring of **Susan Tischofer**, Revenue Collection Clerk, the Tax Office is back up to full staffing before the busy summer tax season. Welcome aboard!

Congratulations to **Bill Watkins**, Director of Public Works, for his recent marriage, which took place on a sunny beach in Florida, and to **Pam Rochette**, an intern in the Town Manager's office, on her recent engagement.

Welcome to **Mark Jaworski**, Maintainer I in the Public Works Department, and Farewell to **Michael D'Amicol**, Assessor, who has left Town employment to pursue other endeavors, and to **Glen Bona**, who has joined the Glastonbury Police Department.



As more and more households are cutting the cord to move away from cable television, we want to let you know that while you can still watch live broadcasts of Town Council meetings on Charter/Spectrum channel 191, you can also watch them live on the Town's YouTube channel. Tune in at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SMJxoc7bpRM>.

TOWN MANAGER JOHN ELSESSER'S MESSAGE

We are emerging from COVID at a rocket pace, with a lot of projects for this summer and the next several years. We need to apologize in advance and ask for your patience with construction delays this summer and going into the future. We have been very successful in obtaining grants for both very needed and quality of life projects. It is an exciting time for our community. Please stay engaged and sign up for monthly e-blasts, road alerts, and if you are a Facebook user, follow my page at <https://www.facebook.com/CoventryCTTownManager>.

I will spend a bit of time discussing the Annual Town budget, but urge you to read the Budget in Brief in the center spread of this newsletter. The budget proposal is a COVID recovery plan. It restores frozen positions (or funded by Federal Aid), restores some capital budget cuts, replaces lost revenue, and the largest piece is retaining the 24/7 ambulance coverage. This is a one-time budget change equal to 437,500, or .42 mils of the proposed budget increase. This is half of the proposed increase. This COVID change showed huge results in cutting over 10 minutes off of nighttime ambulance response times. Response time is critical for medical calls. We hope you support this change in our service levels to you.

I will also share information about road projects, building projects, park projects, bridge & culvert projects, sidewalks and trails, energy projects, and assorted other grants.

We have three LOTCIP grants in various stages (Folly Lane Bridge is complete). We are waiting to hear about one more LOTCIP grant which is pending for Daly Road from Main to past Bellevue. If we get the Daly Road project, the earliest it would be constructed is 2024. LOTCIP are 100% grants, with the Town responsible for engineering.

1. Swamp Road/Rt. 44: Work has restarted on aligning Swamp Road with Bread and Milk Street. Supply chain issues for the new signal poles will delay completion until late summer, but the new signals (with camera traffic flow) is the last part of construction.
2. We are out to bid for a smaller LOTCIP project to reconstruct a section of South Street between Seagraves and the Homestead which needs underdrains. The project includes sidewalks from the roundabout to the Homestead. This will tie into the Hale Greenway project described separately. Sidewalks are a critical component to scoring the grant applications. This will be finished this summer.
3. South Street curves and Swamp Road intersection: This is a major project to make the "S" curves safer and improve the intersection with Swamp Road. We have just been authorized to hire engineers. This will be a spring/summer 2023 project.

Summer roads: Depending on the budget outcome and cost of oil-based asphalt, Public Works has plans for a busy summer. (*See page 6.*)

Buildings: We have completed plans to re-roof Coventry High School and G.H. Robertson School to replace 22-year-old roofs. These roofs will be over 50% funded by the State. We have been waiting months to get State approval to put them out to bid, and it now seems unlikely these will happen this summer, due to contractors construction already scheduled for other work and supply chain issues. Stay tuned.

CHS plans include replacing the unit ventilators with ceiling-mounted units, which are quieter and will bring more fresh air to address air quality issues. These units can also provide chilled air if central air is added later. Note: We have strongly advocated for school grants for air quality, and there is a proposal by Governor Lamont which will closely follow and try to get funds.

The School Building Committee is also looking at a potential "Renovate as New" project to address deficiencies at the middle school, including the heating/ventilation system. Watch for plans over the next several months. If a decision is made to proceed, a bond referendum will be required. If approved, construction would likely be almost two years away.

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At CHS this summer, a new security/fire alarm system replacement is planned. This was partially included in a recent bond, and the school administration obtained a grant to add in security enhancements which will offset some of our local costs.

We also plan to finish a multi-year project to strengthen several walls which did not meet wind code.

We are almost ready to go out to bid to bid a new transfer station next door to the Public Works garage. It will have some additional recycling options to reduce our waste disposal expenses. It is planned to use American Rescue Plan funding for construction expenses.

Recreation: We have signed a contract to add methane venting to the football field on top of the closed landfill. We got a State grant for most of this project. The project includes improving the existing football field, and expanding the practice field to a full-sized adult softball field (the Town doesn't have one). The two football fields are sized to allow soccer and lacrosse too. This is part of a larger Miller Richardson Park Improvement Plan.

By publication of this newsletter, we expect to be out to bid for the first of two planned girls' softball fields where the current transfer station is. The Council is working on a comprehensive plan for the rest of Miller Richardson Park, including baseball needs and the second girls' softball field.

A new pavilion was installed over the winter at Laidlaw Park, with a ribbon-cutting planned for the morning of May 21. Thanks to Coventry Soccer for their donation to help make this happen.

At Creaser Park we have plans to remove the cabins which are beyond repair, convert one to a much-needed storage building, and repair one as bathrooms/kitchenette and small meeting space to assist with events at the pavilion in the park. We have State funds to cover these expenses. The one remaining cabin will be mothballed until a use is determined and funding is obtained. We await State permission to proceed. We also have future plans for a second nine holes of disc golf.

We received a \$350,000 grant to create a multi-purpose trail on a section of Nathan Hale Road, through the forest, from the Homestead to Judd Road, and also a section of Bear Swamp Road from Judd Road to the Andover town line and their paved road. Town forces will grade out a 6' wide stone surface. The entrance from Judd Road to the brook will require creative problem solving.

The Town's forestry project for land we acquired from the State which was taken for Expressway 6 is complete. No other work is planned at this time.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT 860-742-4064

Welcome to our new Building Official On March 2nd our new Building Official, Steven Prattson started work here at the Town of Coventry. Steve served as the Building Official for the Town of Vernon and has a strong electrical background. Please help us welcome him to our Land Use Building Department family.

An occasional Joe sighting... Thank you to Joseph Callahan, who helped to work part time during his retirement so that we could keep up with inspections before our new Building Official was hired and started his placement. We are happy to report that Joe will be filling in from time to time to cover vacations!

Please Be Patient: Change from one Building Official to another one will naturally present some changes. Steve seems to like many of the ways that our department runs, so while there may be some changes, we believe that it will continue to be business as usual. Please be patient as Steve learns our process and we learn his.

Permitting Online: We cannot stress enough that we are rapidly entering our busiest time of year. Please contact our office to discuss your project and to get the materials you will need for your permitting submittal online. Typically, if there aren't any submittal issues or land placement issues, review and approvals from multiple departments take approximately 2-3 weeks. Any work and inspections need to have a fully issued permit to move forward. As always, we have the computer kiosk and scanner in our office to assist you with your application process. You just need to bring all the appropriate materials and submittals with you for us to assist (or in some cases, email us some of the PDF uploads before you come to the office for assistance). Please call our office at 860-742-4064 to discuss your upcoming project. To access the online permitting portal, go to: <https://coventryct.viewpointcloud.com>.

Do you need to access the Eastern Highland Health District for permitting? They too are online with the same type of system (use the same username and password). Their online address is: <https://easternhighlandshealthdistrict.viewpointcloud.com>.

Want your Building Plans? The Building Department is only responsible for retaining building plans on projects for a maximum of two (2) years. **So, if you have a new house that has had a Certificate of Use and Occupancy between July 1, 2018 to December 31, 2019,** and would like the Building Plans for it, please call Brigit at 860-742-4064 with your name, address & daytime phone number and we will contact you within a couple days to let you know if there are building plans available for pick up. At that time, you will be given 2 weeks to pick up the plans. Plans that are not picked up will be discarded under the State's disposal method.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLAN

In early 2022, the Town initiated the development of a Housing Affordability Plan for our community. The CT General Statutes now requires that each town develop such a Plan and revise it every five years. The Town received a \$15,000 grant from the State of CT Department of Housing in order to prepare the Plan. A subcommittee consisting of members of the Planning and Zoning Commission and Town Staff has been formed to work with the consultant firm of SLR to complete the plan by June 1. The plan will examine the current housing situation in the town, make recommendations on changes to the Zoning Regulations that will help facilitate affordable housing projects, consider potential sites to support attainable projects, and possible funding mechanisms will be explored. A new website has been created to share all the details associated with the project which can be found by following this link:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/2f49f1cb5a144800b0c23c749a0782c5>

Please contact Eric Trott at etrott@coventryct.org or 860-742-4062 for further information.

NATHAN HALE GREENWAY

The Town has received a \$350,000 State of CT DEEP Recreational Trails grant that will improve sections of two former roads to support hiking and biking activities. A project that is identified in the Nathan Hale Greenway Feasibility Study that was also the subject of a DEEP Recreational Trails Grant award. The unimproved sections of Nathan Hale Road and Bear Swamp Road, two discontinued roads that are subject to recreational easements held by the Town, will be enhanced. This will provide connectivity from the Nathan Hale Homestead through the Nathan Hale Forest to the improved section of Nathan Hale Road and then connect with the Town of Andover via Bear Swamp Road. Further connections on roads in Andover, which will be marked with 'Share the Road' signs, will provide further connectivity to the greater region by way of the Hop River Trail and Charter Oak Greenway. Site analysis, design plan preparation and permitting are expected to begin in 2022 and construction anticipated either later in 2022 or in 2023. Please contact Eric Trott at etrott@coventryct.org or 860-742-4062 for further information.

ARTS ON MAIN – 2022

Mark your calendars for September 2022, when the popular Arts on Main street festival will be hosted again in Coventry Village. The event was held in 2018 and 2019 as a way to celebrate arts/culture in our community, enjoy all of the new infrastructure improvements that were completed in Coventry Village by the State of CT DOT, and support our local businesses. Planning efforts have begun with Town Staff, the Coventry Arts Guild, and other community stakeholders to prepare for another day filled with music, art vendors, art demonstrations, food, family activities and more! Stay tuned as more details will be released in the coming months! Please contact Eric Trott at etrott@coventryct.org or 860-742-4062 for further information.

ADOPT A ROAD PROGRAM

The Coventry Conservation Commission and Land Use Office continue to sponsor the Adopt a Road program for the community. The program entails 'adopting' a portion or all of a Town road and pick up the roadside trash that accumulates. Residents can do as much as they like and at their own pace. Free standard garbage bags are available in the Land Use Office and can be disposed of at the Public Works Garage at no charge. Please contact Eric M. Trott at 860-742-4062 or etrott@coventryct.org for further details and application forms.

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES IN COVENTRY – EAGLEVILLE LAKES

The Town continues to take a vigilant approach to address the environmental needs of both Coventry and Eagleville Lakes. The Town has received two grants from the State of CT DEEP to fund projects to continue to address aquatic invasive species in each Lake. Coventry Lake will have another treatment this summer to address the Hydrilla situation. An aquatic invasive species treatment plan will be developed for Eagleville Lake, in cooperation with the Town of Mansfield. This plan will better enable a defined and cost effective approach on the treatment of Fanwort in the Lake. In both Lakes, the aquatic invasive species can have significant negative impacts to the overall function of the ecosystem, recreational enjoyment, as well as property values. Please contact Eric Trott at etrott@coventryct.org or 860-742-4062 for further information.

COVENTRY FARMERS' MARKET -2022

Planning is underway for the upcoming season of the Coventry Farmers' Market at the Nathan Hale Homestead. We will be continuing to be in full operation as we were last year in the Market field. Weekly themes, activities in the Market barn, live music entertainment, and all of your favorite vendors will be on hand again in 2022! Opening day will be Sunday, June 5. Visit the Market's Facebook page for the all the latest details as we approach the new season.

CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENT REGULATIONS

The State of CT adopted laws to allow for recreational cannabis to be sold and grown in our State last year. In early 2022, the Planning and Zoning Commission began deliberating on the creation of new Zoning Regulations that would permit either of these establishments at certain locations in town. The Commission voted to proceed with the drafting of Regulations that will be considered by the Commission, likely prior to the middle of June. The Commission adopted a moratorium on permitting any cannabis establishments between October 26, 2021 and June 13, 2022 to allow time for the Commission and Staff to prepare appropriate regulations. The Commission and Staff are conferring with the Town Attorney's office and are evaluating sample regulations from similar communities to consider prudent options and alternatives. Please contact Eric Trott at etrott@coventryct.org or 860-742-4062 for further information.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

860-742-7966

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

- **JUNE DOG LICENSING – MAIL OR USE DROP BOX**
ENCLOSE A SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE FOR FASTER PROCESSING
- **COVENTRY'S TOP DOG:**
Mail or drop off your license renewals along with the appropriate fee in the month of **May** and your dog's name will be entered into a drawing for the most desired #1 tag. Coventry's Top Dog will also receive their license for **FREE!** **Send your entry between May 1st- 31st** and the winner will be notified **June 1st**. All other license entries will be processed accordingly and mailed out in the beginning of June.
 - Along with payment include **current rabies certificate, proof of spay/neuter and a self-addressed stamped envelope.** GOOD LUCK!
- * \$8.00 for spayed or neutered dogs
- * \$19.00 for unaltered dogs.
- * Any dog license issued after June 30th is subject to a \$1.00 per month late fee.
- * Licenses will not be sold until June 1st.
- * Check your dog's rabies expiration date. If that date has expired, **INCLUDE PROOF OF A CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION** will be required to renew your dog's license.
- * Help us keep our records current: If there are any changes in your dog's registration status (spay/neuter, death, change of address) please update the clerk's office at 860-742-7966, or email ltollmann@coventryct.org

Remember a license is your lost dog's ticket home.

FISHING SEASON IS OPEN!!



All adults need to have a license to fish.

Children under the age of 16 do not need a license to fish. **Parents, please note: If you will be handling your child's fishing pole or baiting the line, Connecticut Law requires that you carry a current fishing license.**

Consult the 2022 Connecticut Angler's Guides each year for updates on DEEP regulations and other useful information online at www.ct.gov/deep. Be advised the DEEP is no longer publishing the Angler's Guides that were in the Town Clerk's Offices. We will have a limited number of online print outs in our office.

Your 2022 fishing licenses are available at the Town Clerk's office or online at www.ct.gov/deep.

- * Trout/Salmon Stamp-\$5
- * Hunting/ Inland Fishing-\$38
- * Inland Fishing license-\$28
- * All Waters Inland and Marine Fishing-\$32
- * All Waters Hunting & Fishing-\$40
- * Non-Resident Fishing licenses are also available at \$22 for a 3-day pass or \$55 for season license.
- * Lifetime licenses are available free of charge to persons over 65. (Requires annual renewal)

Connecticut DEEP Bureau of Natural Resources has a Facebook page!

It's Connecticut Fish and Wildlife and has lots of information on upcoming events, facts and beautiful pictures sent in by Facebook friends enjoying the outdoors. Check it out!

**RABIES
CLINIC**
Saturday,
May 21
1-3 PM



Capt. Nathan Hale School
1776 Main Street, Coventry

\$20 per animal
CASH ONLY

Dogs must be on leashes
Cats must be in carriers

*If previously vaccinated for Rabies,
bring **written** proof.*

NEWS FROM THE BOOTH & DIMOCK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Booth & Dimock Memorial Library is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10-8, Friday 10-6, and Saturday 10-3. To stay up to date on our offerings and activities, please check out our website www.coventrypl.org, or our Facebook page @BDLibrary.

Over the last few months, the Library has been busy ordering new books, planning take & make programs, and getting ready for our renovation! For more information about our renovation, please visit online at www.coventrypl.org/renovate or the the Library Renovation & Improvement Committee's webpage at coventryct.org.

The Library is offering routine programs for adults, including book clubs, Spice Life Take & Make, Tea Explorer Take & Make, and a rotating offering of other Take & Make activity bags. To participate in any of these programs, call or stop by.

For children, we are offering a weekly rotation of fun programs for all ages. We have a new Take & Make children's activity bag each Tuesday, Science Thursday activities, and an online story time each Friday. For more information, make sure to visit our great children's room staff to learn more!

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CAPITAL PROJECTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN ENGINEER

Swamp Road @ Boston Turnpike Intersection Improvements: The realignment of Swamp and Northfield Roads along with the installation of a new traffic signal at Boston Turnpike realigned intersection will start back up again in late March 2022 depending on the winter weather. The Prime Contractor for this project is Spazzarini Construction Inc. out of Enfield, CT. Work will continue throughout the spring and summer with the expected construction completion date of September 27, 2022. Traffic can expect partial delays on each affected road depending on the activity being completed. All questions may be directed to the Town Engineer.

South Street Roadway and Pedestrian Improvements: The project is expected to be bid, awarded and construction started by June of 2022. Work will continue through the summer and early fall months with the expectation for completion by early November. The project will reconstruct the roadway, the drainage infrastructure, add a sidewalk, and other additional ancillary improvements from the Daly Road roundabout to the Nathan Hale Homestead northerly driveway into the main parking field. Traffic can expect partial delays throughout the duration of the construction schedule depending on the activity being completed. All questions may be directed to the Town Engineer.

Landfill Gas Venting Project (with rec softball field): The Town is proceeding with awarding the methane gas correction project to the responsible low bid contractor, Sunset Valley Construction, LLC out of Ellington, CT. Work is expected to start in early April and be complete within two (2) months. Recreational use of the athletic fields should be ready for the summer of 2023.

Transfer Station Relocation to DPW Facility: The Town is proceeding with the design and permitting to relocate the Transfer Station from its Miller Richardson location to an undeveloped area on the DPW Parcel. The Town will be soliciting bids for construction in April and fast tracking award and start of construction for early May. It is anticipated that construction activities could be completed by August 2022. The Transfer Station will need CT DEEP Permitting to relocate the Transfer Station Use. A local Zoning Site Plan will be required from the Land Use Staff.

Coventry Softball Field at the Transfer Station Site: The Town has received the local permitting necessary for the project. The construction plans and documents are at 90%. The project will go out to bid during the construction of the new Transfer Station at Coventry DPW so it is ready to start construction immediately after the new Transfer Station is opened. Work will start in September and will require the stabilization of the turf in 2023. Field should be ready for use for the 2024 season.

Community Connectivity Grant Program – Main Street Sidewalk Extension: The project is expected to be bid later this spring to start construction July and August of this year. Work will require alternating traffic conditions with Traffic Control Personnel during the work day until the work is completed. The sidewalk extension from Hemlock Point Road should go as far as the private driveway at Winterbury Lane.

Employment. If you like outdoor physical work, have a valid driver's license and are 18 or older, we are looking for you. The Public Works Department has an opening for a summer laborer paying \$16/hr. for 40 hour week. Accepting applications immediately. For more info call (860) 742-6588.

SPRING ROAD WORK 2022:
Hickory Drive / West side of Hilltop Drive:

- Raise sewer manholes and pave

Juniper Drive / East side of Hilltop Drive:

- Drainage repairs
- Full depth reclamation
- Raise sewer manhole covers and curbing

SUMMER ROADS:

- Overlay: Lakewood, Highland, Forest Hills, Midland, Woodmere, Edgewater, Barnsbee cul-de-sac, Carver, sections of South St.
- Reclaim/pave: Loomis
- Cold-in-place recycling: Woodbridge

PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT STUDY:

The Public works Department contracted with Stantec to perform a Pavement Management Study. The study was completed and the final report was given to Council on February 7th. The report is designed to be used as a planning tool and intended to provide a foundation for managing the Towns roads. The study is currently being used to develop a list of road work this construction season. Once the list is completed it will be made available on the Towns website or by contacting Public Works.

FROM THE TREE WARDEN:

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. Email the Tree Warden at mowens@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.

TRANSFER STATION: 325 MAIN ST.

Spring/Summer Thursday hours April–September: noon–6 PM

Open Saturday 9 AM – 3 PM all year long.

Closed holidays. Proof of residency is required.

Now accepting electronic payments with a debit or credit card.

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.
PLEASE REMOVE DOORS FROM REFRIGERATORS
- 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
- Single-stream recyclables (i.e., bottles, cans, cardboard, paper)
- Leaves for composting
- Mattress and box springs (dry only, if wet/mangled for futon \$10 fee applies)
- Electronics, fluorescent light bulbs, batteries
- Appliances without refrigerants (stove, washer, dryer)
- Metal materials (**metal tanks must be cut open and crushed**).

Materials NOT acceptable:

- Garbage
- Grass clippings
- Furniture
- Hazardous waste

Commercial Users Must Remember the facility is not intended for commercial use although small repair/remodeling contractors doing work for Coventry residents may be allowed limited use to dispose of materials incidental to their work within the limits of the Town of Coventry. Proof of residency and **building permits, as applicable**, will be checked as part of normal facility operations to insure the facility waste stream remains residential in nature.

Come to the Transfer Station for some free compost.

Bring your own shovel/bucket.



HOUSEHOLD CHEMICAL WASTE DROP-OFF FACILITY: This regional facility located at 57 Hancock Road in Willington will be opening for the 2022 season on April 16. The facility is open once per month: 4/16, 5/21, 6/18, 7/16, 8/20, 9/17 and 10/15. **STAY IN YOUR AUTOMOBILE**, pop the trunk and one of the attendants will assist you. (860) 684-3163. As a Coventry resident you may bring residential quantities of hazardous waste to the facility at no cost, but bring proof of residency.

Prepare the materials by:

- ✓ Packing carefully in original containers only, seal and label
- ✓ Do not mix materials
- ✓ Drive carefully to prevent tipping
- ✓ No smoking while handling and transporting materials
- ✓ Residential limits of 10 gallons liquid and 100 pounds dry materials

Other FAQ's:

- ✓ **Medication:** Do not flush down the toilet or drain. Many prescriptions may be disposed of at the Coventry Police Department (860) 742-7331.
- ✓ **Asbestos:** Double bag and seal this material. One cubic foot can be disposed with trash. For large quantities, contact an asbestos removal company.
- ✓ **Explosives, fireworks, ammunition:** Contact your state police barracks.
- ✓ **Water reactive materials:** For peroxides and metallic sodium, contact a licensed environmental contractor.
- ✓ **Biologically active materials:** Contact a licensed medical & infectious waste contractor.

SPRING STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE:

The Public Works Department has scheduled street sweeping to begin on or about 3/21/22 weather permitting. There are five sweeping districts in Town. The order in which the streets will be swept are by District, and are as follows: District 5, District 4, District 3, District 1, and District 2. Please see the Street Sweeping District Map online at: <https://www.coventryct.org/DocumentCenter/View/4955/street-sweeping-2022>.

The Department requests that all property owners refrain from raking yard waste such as sticks, leaves and dead grass into the street. DPW will not sweep up windrows of yard debris raked and swept to the gutter of the street. The introduction of these materials can damage the equipment and hinder timely program completion. The intent of the program is to sweep up sediment and particulates that are detrimental to storm water quality. Raked up yard waste **excluding sticks** can be brought to the Transfer Station for composting year round during the open hours of operation. Please avoid parking vehicles in the roadway during the sweeping program. Please call Mark Owens, Superintendent of Operations, if you have any street sweeping questions or concerns Monday thru Friday 7:00am -3:00pm at (860) 742-6588 or email Mark Opens at mowens@coventryct.org.

MONTHLY CURBSIDE OVERSIZED ITEMS PICKUP

On the **2nd 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 nonmetal items must be out on Monday regardless of your regular trash day. Examples are dresser, Futon or recliner chair w/metal removed.

No electronics, metal or mattresses curbside. Coventry residents must bring their electronics, metal and mattresses to the Town's transfer station for recycling.



PAINT RECYCLING

Residents can find a convenient paint recycling location at www.paintcare.org. **PaintCare** programs are funded by a fee which is applied to the purchase price of new paint sold in the state.

USED MOTOR & TRANSMISSION OIL, #2 FUEL OIL, BRAKE FLUID, KEROSENE, GAS CYLINDERS, DIESEL FUEL, ANTIFREEZE, AND CAR BATTERIES should be brought to the Public Works Facility at 100 Olsen Farm Road. DPW is equipped with a used motor oil furnace. Please call (860) 742-6588 for more info.

COVRRRA

Call Public Works (860) 742-6588 or email dwrubel@coventryct.org.

Holiday Trash Pickup Schedule:

Monday, May 30—Memorial Day
Monday, July 4—Independence Day
Monday, September 5—Labor Day

TIPPER BARREL BROKEN? Call All American Waste at (860) 289-7850 and make arrangements to have it repaired. Plugs for lids are available at Department of Public Works. Push them in snugly and inspect them regular so they stay tight. This will ensure your lid stays on the cart.

Excess trash and recycling? The Public Works Department has dumpsters for residents who occasionally have trash or recycling in excess of their carts. To use the trash dumpster you must pay \$1 for each bag that you toss in. Bring your 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.

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.

SPECIAL NEEDS TRASH/RECYCLING PICK-UP SERVICE AVAILABLE: Get your tipper carts picked up right at your back door. (Some driveway length restrictions apply.) No more struggling to roll them to the curb!! No additional fees involved. Call Human Services at (860) 742-5324 to find out if you or someone you know might qualify.

DUMPSTERS AVAILABLE: For major cleanup projects, the current COVRRRA contract with All American Waste also includes pricing for 6, 15 and 30 cubic yard dumpsters. Residents contract directly with All American Waste at (860) 289-7850. Be sure you specify you are a Coventry resident to get this special rate. Dumpsters are for up to 30 days. After 30 days a \$5/day rental fee applies. These containers are to be used by the residents for special projects complying with the COVRRRA regulations and are not to be used for disposal of normal municipal solid waste.

- 6 cubic yard dumpster - \$175 haul / \$98 ton of disposal (CC deposit \$273 = haul charge + 1 ton)
- 15 cubic yard dumpster - \$195 haul / \$98 ton of disposal (CC deposit \$391 = haul charge + 2 ton)
- 30 cubic yard dumpster - \$195 haul / \$98 ton of disposal (CC deposit \$587 = haul charge + 4 ton)

Payment is to be made by credit card only. Refund to credit card will be made if customer balance amount is lower than deposit taken.

A PAPER SHREDDING EVENT will be scheduled for Fall 2022. Check your annual COVRRRA calendar for the date. Look for the calendar in your July trash bill.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY (Sewer Department)

Contact Us:

Mike Ruef, WWTP Operator
Phone: 860-531-2913
Email : mruelf@coventryct.org
Online: www.coventryct.org

The link to the WPCA page of the website can be found by clicking on Your Government > Boards & Commissions > Water Pollution Control Authority.

What is CIPP Lining!?!

We recently completed a sewer main rehabilitation project using cool no-dig technology called Cured-In-Place-Pipe (CIPP) lining. CIPP lining uses a long felt tube soaked in resin which fits snugly inside the pipe being lined. Compressed air pushes the tube down the sewer line and it sticks to the inside walls of the pipe. Steam is used to cure the resin material creating a smooth durable pipe inside the existing pipe. CIPP is often used in locations where excavating is too expensive or disruptive; like a busy city street or underneath buildings.

We used CIPP to line 920 feet of ductile iron sewer main that is buried under the Lake at Patriot's Park and near the Nathan Hale Cemetery. The sewer main was not leaking at all but video inspection showed evidence that the ductile iron was beginning to corrode at the pipe joints due to soil conditions. If we had allowed the pipe to continue to corrode water from the Lake would push its way into the sewer main and would need to be dug up to repair. Drawing down the Lake and digging up the sewer main would be very costly and environmentally unfavorable so using CIPP as preventative maintenance added 50 -100 years of life to the pipe with no environmental disturbance.

Financial Assistance for Sewer Connections:

- Low interest/deferred loans for sewer connections are available for households within the sewer service area that meet federal income guidelines. We are also working hard to secure financial assistance for annual sewer use bills. Contact Mike Ruef for details.



TEXTILE RECYCLING is available in Coventry through Bay State Textile at the following three locations: transfer station when open, next to the Annex behind the Town Hall anytime and Public Works on Olsen Farm Road anytime. Acceptable items for recycling through this program are footwear, clothing, accessories, linens and stuffed animals. For instance, a stained t-shirt or torn bath towel becomes a wiping cloth, a lone sock becomes pillow stuffing, worn out denim jeans are used to produce household insulation, a teddy bear is used for car seat stuffing and so on. Everything will be accepted from gently used to ripped or with broken zippers. Textiles can be recycled in any condition as long as they're clean and dry. Must be contained in bags.

Budget in Brief

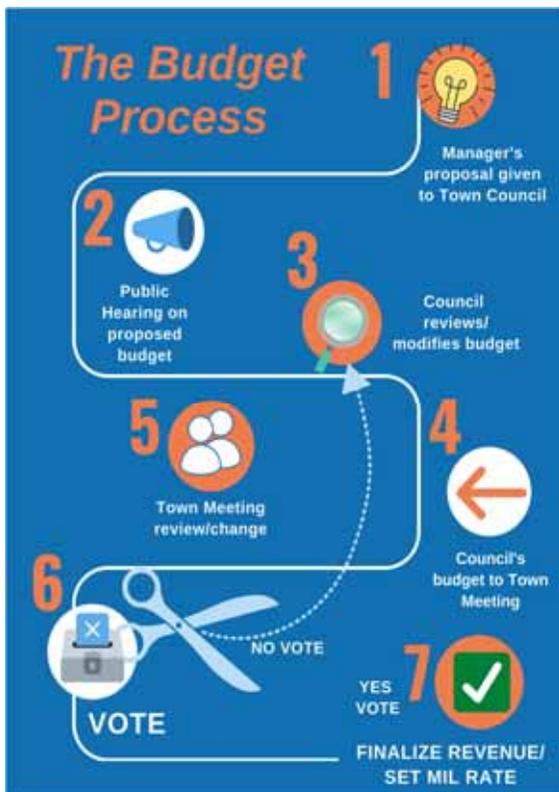
Proposed Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget
Town Meeting: Saturday April 23, 2022
 10:00 A.M. Veterans Auditorium,
 Coventry High School, Ripley Hill Road



Overview

Responding to the expectations of Coventry residents for better and more efficient services, Town and Board staff reviewed programs and services and prepared budget proposals that address the stated goals of the Town Council and Board of Education. Existing services have been maintained and infrastructure repairs, services to students, seniors, and public safety have been given a priority. The Town Manager's recommended budget demonstrated that most agency budgets were submitted with only modest increases. Additional funding was included to support town-wide ambulance services. Staff levels were evaluated and increased slightly based on current work loads. The full budget was reviewed and modified by the Town Council, resulting in a reduction from requests of \$319,965.

“The Town Council’s budget proposals for the Town, Board, Capital and Debt Service call for a 4.28% spending increase.”



The Town Council’s budget proposals for the Town, Board, Capital, Debt Service, and Ambulance Fund transfer call for a \$1,816,310 spending increase from the prior year adopted budget. 24% of this increase, \$437,500, pertains to the transfer to support the ambulance services. The proposed budget will require an increase to the current mil rate of 0.84 mils or 2.68%, resulting in a rate of 31.99 mils. The proposed budget has been sent to the Annual Town Meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2022, in the CHS Veterans Auditorium at 10:00 A.M. The adjourned Town Meeting vote is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3, 2022.



Budget Summary

The expenditure part of the budget is broken down into the areas of General Government, Board of Education, Debt Service, Capital and the Ambulance Fund Transfer totaling \$44,239,440, an increase of \$1,816,310 or 4.28% compared to the adopted FY21-22 budget. A breakdown of the budgets are illustrated below.

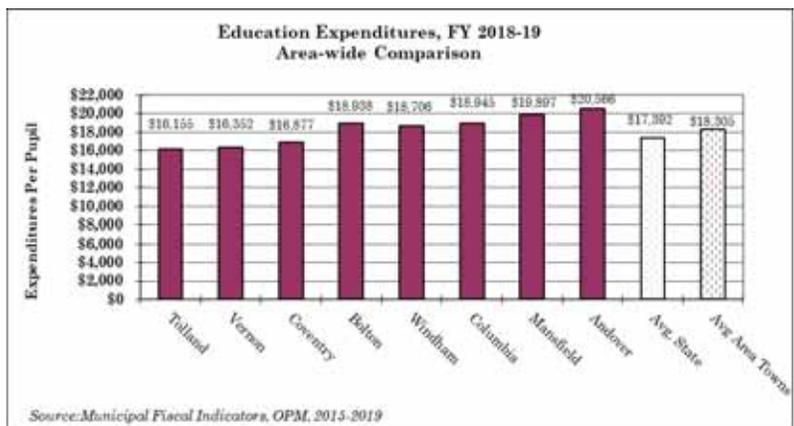
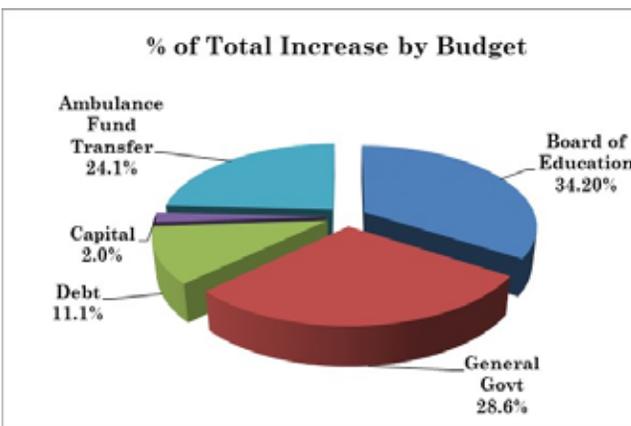
Budget Area	Adopted Budget	Requested Budget	\$ Change	% Change
	FY 21-22	FY 22-23		
General Government	\$10,615,700	\$11,134,642	\$518,942	4.89%
Board of Education	\$28,305,819	\$28,927,461	\$621,642	2.20%
Debt Service	\$2,781,581	\$2,983,337	\$201,756	7.25%
Capital	\$720,030	\$756,500	\$36,470	5.07%
Ambulance Fund	\$ -	\$437,500	\$437,500	100.00%
Total	\$42,423,130	\$44,239,440	\$1,816,310	4.28%

Town Operating Budget Summary

The Town operating budget recommended for FY23 is \$11,134,642; an increase of \$518,942. The largest driver to this increase is personnel services which increased \$531,687 or 6.86%. Health insurance increased 9% (\$116,100) due to increased claim trends. Several changes were made to staff levels. In the FY22 budget, one police officer was funded through American Rescue Plan funding. 50% of this position is being proposed to return to the Town Operating Budget this year. Public works staffing levels were reviewed and deemed inadequate. The proposed budget includes a custodian (in lieu of contracted services), a DPW Maintainer I, an additional temporary summer employee and a part-time engineering tech. Public works staff levels have remained unchanged since FY01/02 and severely need to be addressed. In preparation for transition in local government leadership, an Assistant Town Manager Position has also been included for October 2022. Other drivers behind the Operating Budget increase include technology needs, additional tree removal and an increase in general liability insurance.

Board of Education Summary

The Board of Education budget was reduced \$100,00 by the Town Council and is proposed at \$28,927,461; an increase of \$621,642 or 2.20% from their originally adopted FY22 budget. Details are available on the web at www.coventrypublicschools.org.



To learn more about the fiscal year 2022/23 proposed budget, you can view the full Town budget document online at www.coventryct.org under Finance. Copies of the Town and Board of Education budgets are also available for viewing in the Coventry Town Clerk's office during regular office hours.

YOUR OPINION COUNTS!

If you have questions or concerns about the FY 22/23 proposed budget, please don't hesitate to email budgetcomments@coventryct.org or call the Town Manager's Office at 860-742-6324.

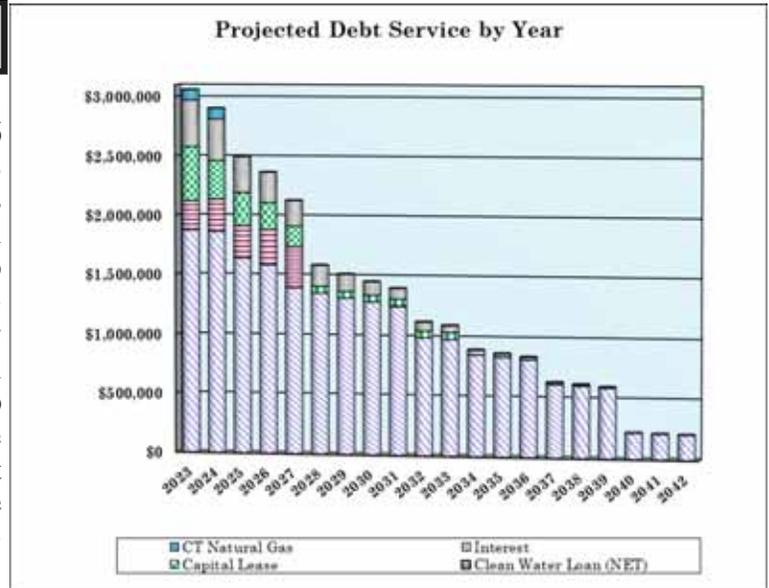
TAX RELIEF FOR SENIORS

Guidelines for additional tax relief for qualified Coventry seniors and disabled persons are available in the Town Assessor's Office. This includes a local tax credit program. Call 860-742-4067.

Application Deadline: May 16, 2022.

Debt Service

Debt Service represents 6.7% of the Town budget. For FY23, there is a proposed increase of \$201,756 or 7.25% from the prior year. This increase is driven by the issuance of general obligations that is expected to be issued in May of 2022 for several projects that the taxpayers previously approved to bond. These projects include school roof replacement for both the High School and GHR, library renovations and a softball field. Also included in the FY23 budget is a capital lease for a small dump truck and pick-up truck. While there is an increase for the FY23 budget, it is important to know that our projected debt service is anticipated to decline each year going forward, which will allow for additional debt issuance or savings to taxpayers.



Capital Projects

1 Summer Road Program (partial-see also Town Aid)	\$ 300,000
2 Network refresh	64,000
3 Education Computer Upgrades	50,000
4 Classroom Furniture	25,000
5 Town Hall Computer Upgrades	43,000
6 Police SUV Replacement (2)	100,500
7 SCBA Fire Paks	24,000
8 Fire Gear	25,000
9 Fire Hose/equipment	20,000
10 Open Space Fund	15,000
TOTAL	<u>\$ 756,500</u>

The proposed capital projects budget for the General Fund for FY23 totals \$756,500, an increase of \$36,470 or 5.07%. Of this increase \$139,000 related to capital projects for the Board of Education. This increase is a direct result of the FY21 budget in which capital was cut by 28.76% (resulting in a FY21 budget of \$664,000).

In addition to the capital project budget outlined in the General Fund, several capital projects are proposed through grants, including Town Aid Road, (\$300,000), Local Capital Improvement Program (\$100,000), Lake Management (\$35,000) and American Rescue Plan Funding (\$1,714,500).

Transfer to Ambulance Fund

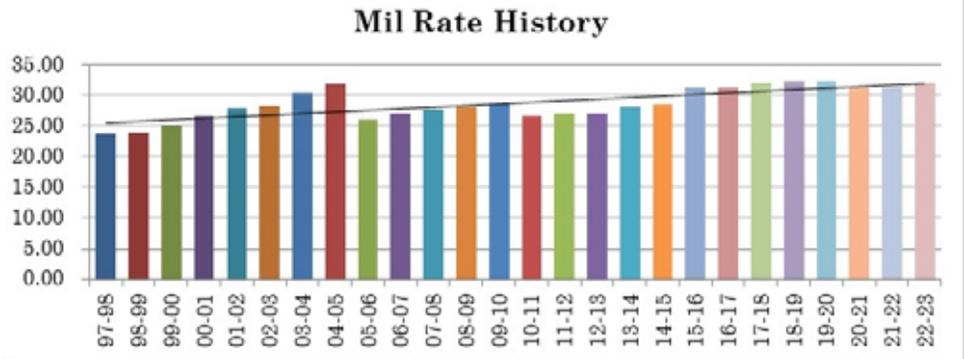
The FY23 budget separates out the transfer to the Ambulance Fund as a separate budgetary line. It is proposed to transfer \$437,500 to the Ambulance fund to fund the ambulance coverage currently provided to residents on a 24 hours a day, 7 days a week basis.

When the Town transitioned to 24/7 coverage, there was hope the revenue generated could sustain these services. It is clear with current reimbursement rates, the fund is not able to cover these costs (Medicare reimbursement is 50% of charges, Medicaid reimbursement is 30% of charges). As such, we are proposing a transfer from the General Fund to the Ambulance Fund in the total of \$437,500. This transfer is 24% of the overall spending increase and represents 0.42 mil increase which represents half of the proposed increase for FY23. The proposed transfer to the ambulance fund represents 1.0% of the total proposed budget.

Ambulance services are an important service that the Town provides to its residents. Without 24/7 ambulance coverage, residents will rely on mutual aid from other Towns and/or volunteer EMS crews. This will cause a significant increase in response times, which are very important in emergency situations.

Revenues

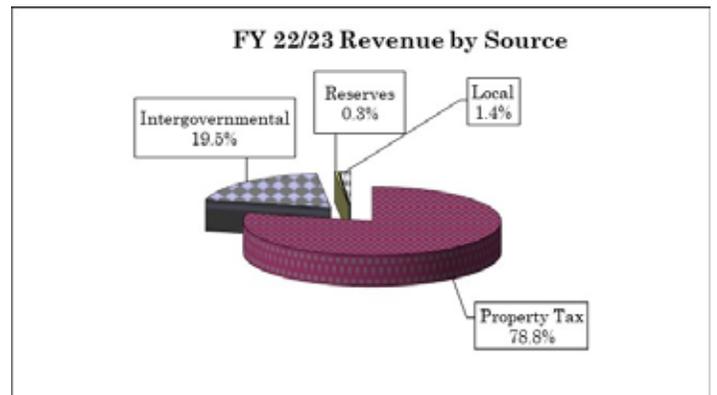
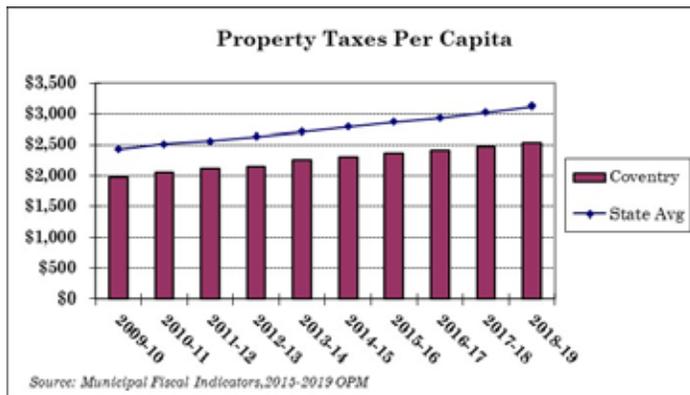
The property tax is the major revenue source (78.8%) for Coventry. The proposed budget is an increase of 4.28% from the prior year. The proposed mil rate is 31.99, a 0.84 or 2.68% change from the prior year. This will generate a monthly increase of \$12.38 to the average homeowner. Of this mil increase, 0.42 mil is related to the transfer to the EMS fund to ensure adequate ambulance services for residents.



Intergovernmental revenues, mostly State aid, are the second largest source (19.50%) of revenues for Coventry. This is a reduction of 2.61% from the prior year adopted budget. These revenues are based on the assumed State budget which is not yet final. Included is a decrease of \$123,993 in funding from the Sewer Assessment Fund based on expected collections over the remainder of the assessments. This funding will continue to decrease over the next few years as that fund is depleted and assessment payments are finalized. Also included is \$50,000 of American Rescue Plan funding to help offset the increase in ambulance costs.

Other local revenues consist of a variety of fees for permits, services and interest earnings. This area which represent 1.4% of the Town's budget is expected to increase \$4,450 from the prior year.

Lastly, our proposed revenue budget for FY23 includes use of \$150,000 from fund balance. This is the part of a COVID 19 financial impact plan that was previously adopted to help mitigate the impact of the pandemic. This is a reduction of \$50,000 which has the effect of increasing property taxes by 0.05 mils.



Open Space

Included at the Town Meeting on April 23 is a question regarding an Open Space Purchase. Vote will be held on the following question:

“Shall the Town of Coventry approve the purchase of PID 4593 South River Road for open space from Seth and Kristy Conway for \$69,000?”

This purchase was recommended by the Town's Planning and Zoning Commission on February 14, 2022.

Of this \$69,000, approximately \$10,000 will be an adjustment for real estate taxes currently owed on the property. In addition, the Town's Open Space fund currently has \$49,000 available to be used toward this purchase. Joshua's Trust has committed \$5,000 toward the purchase if approved. The remaining \$5,000 would need to be authorized to complete the funding.

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

860-742-4066

Delinquent notices were mailed within the last few months for overdue taxes, sewer and COVRRRA bills. Intent to Lien notices for overdue Real Estate taxes, COVRRRA and Sewer Use charges will be mailed in March/April. Liens will be filed in April/May against those properties, which are not paid current. Sewer Assessment bills will be mailed the end of April. Due date for the first installment is May 1 and taxpayers have 30 days to pay before late charges apply.

Credit card payments for tax, sewer, and COVRRRA trash bills are accepted here in the office as well as online and are processed by Point and Pay LLC. There is a convenience fee charged by Point and Pay for credit card payments. *Visa debit only* is charged a flat rate of \$3.95. All *other debit* and *all credit cards* charged 2.75% (minimum \$2.00) fee. There is a link from the Tax Collector's page on the town's website www.coventryct.org to pay by **credit card**. There is another link on the Collector's page if you prefer to pay online from your **bank account**. Webster bank processes those payments and there is no convenience fee. Please feel free to call the Tax Office before making your online payments and we will be happy to walk you through the procedure.

Online Payments through your Bank/Financial Institution: Your payment may not be mailed when you expect it to be & these payments come to us without a postmark. Please allow ample time for mail delivery to avoid interest charges or additional late fees.

Any individual needing an immediate DMV clearance in order to register any vehicle is reminded to pay by **cash or a money order** at the Tax Collector's office. Check payments may delay your DMV clearance up to ten (10) business days. Also, paying online by credit card or bank account through the town's website can take up to seven (7) days to clear with DMV due to weekends and holidays.

The COVID 19 pandemic has changed how we conduct business for the near future. Coventry Town Hall continues to operate providing services to residents while physical access to the building is limited due to safety concerns. Most transactions can be conducted via the town's website, by phone, email and postal mail. This includes being able to print yourself a paid receipt. We strongly encourage paying online at our website: www.coventryct.org, by mail or use the convenience of the drop box permanently installed inside the rear vestibule entrance to Town Hall. Please do not use the ballot box located outside for payments. If there is a need for you to physically come into the building, please call us at 860-742-4066 so we may assess your situation and explain the current entrance procedures.

The current fiscal year will end June 30, 2022. In accordance with state statutes, liens will be filed before the end of the current fiscal year against properties with any outstanding balances on real estate taxes and sewer use charge and Trash fees. Please contact this office if you have any questions concerning the status of your accounts.

PAYMENT DUE CALENDAR: MAY – Sewer Assessment fee 1st installment. **JULY** – Real Estate 1st installment; Motor Vehicle, COVRRRA and Personal Property **single** payment. **SEPTEMBER** - Sewer Use Fee **single** payment. **NOVEMBER** – Sewer Assessment fee 2nd installment. **JANUARY** – Real Estate 2nd installment and Supplemental Motor Vehicle tax only if applicable.

SPRING NOTES FROM COVENTRY LAKE ADVISORY & MONITORING COMMITTEE

Spring is here and soon all the summer activities will start. Some things to keep in mind:

1. Spring means lawn work. The best way to keep our lake healthy is **NOT** to fertilize therefore avoiding nutrient runoff into the lake. If you do fertilize make sure to use a **ZERO** phosphate fertilizer.
2. Spring means landscaping. If you plan to do some lakefront landscaping check out the great app from UConn on rain gardens – one of the best methods to avoid nutrient run-off into the lake - <https://nemo.uconn.edu/tools/app/raingarden.htm>
3. Spring means aquatic weed growth. Report algae blooms and any unusual aquatic weed growth to: coventrylakeadvisory@coventryct.org
4. Spring means preparing boats (motor or paddle) and equipment for summer use. Remember DEEP recommends WASH DRAIN DRY. Instructions can be found at https://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2696&q=322690&deepNav_GID=1630
5. Spring means higher lake water levels. Remember the 2021 high water events and the boating gear floating in the lake? DEEP offers free "If Found –Contact:" stickers for your boating gear. To request your stickers go to: <https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Boating/Safety/If-Found-Sticker>
6. Spring means boating activity. Reminder that **life jackets** are required to be **WORN** from **October 1 to May 31** in any manually powered vessel.
7. Spring means fun on the lake. Dispose of personal trash properly. The **lake is NOT a trash barrel**. Check boats and trailers for any **foreign materials** and dispose of those properly as well. Have FUN but leave nothing but ripples behind.

The news so far is that the hydrilla battle is getting closer to being won. Expect to see a full littoral lake treatment in 3 phases again in 2022. Watch for more announcements regarding the 2022 treatment plan and the reports from SOLitude Lake Management and North East Aquatic Research.



WANT TO CHANGE YOUR TIPPER BARREL SIZE? In response to citizens' requests, we are offering the opportunity to exchange your tipper barrels at the reduced fee of \$25. If you would like to swap, contact the Tax Office **before May 18, 2022** at 860-742-4066. **The swap order must be requested through the Tax Office and paid to All American Waste by May 18, 2022 in order to receive this reduced price.** The swap will occur the last two weeks of June in conjunction with the billing cycle for the new fiscal year. Consider upsizing your recycle barrel. There is no increase in your annual bill for a larger recycle barrel.

Citizens are reminded that the tipper barrels are owned by All American Waste, the Town's contracted hauler. The barrels must stay with the property to which they have been assigned. Each barrel is identified with a serial number for a specific property address. If you sell your house and /or move, **please do not take the barrels with you.** Your annual payment pays for the disposal/recycle service only.

FOOD BANK

The Coventry Food Bank is available to any individual or family experiencing difficult times and may need help with food. We have a variety of staple foods in stock which include: cereal, pasta, soup, canned vegetable, peanut butter/jelly and school snacks. We are solely a donor-funded program and appreciate the generous donations from many local residents, churches, schools, civic organizations and groups. If you are interested in donating to Coventry Food Bank, please contact our office for more information.

If you are in need and wish to utilize the Food Bank, please call Coventry Human Services to set up appointment.

FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION

Coventry Drive Up Food Distribution will be held on Friday, April 29th from 10am -11:30am at Coventry Town Hall. This is available for any **Coventry resident** who is in need of additional food. No appointment is required to participate. Please bring proof of residency. Food box will be distributed in front of Town Hall. Please follow directional signage.

FOODSHARE

Mobile FoodShare is an outdoor food distribution for persons in need and is available every other Wednesdays from 10-10:30 at St. Mary's Church, 1600 Main Street, Coventry. Food choices vary from week to week but usually include bread and several types of fresh produce. Other items may also be offered depending on availability. No appointment is necessary. Please remember to bring a bag or box with you to carry your food. If you have any questions please call FoodShare at 860-286-9999 or www.foodshare.org.

Dates that Foodshare will be in Coventry this Spring and Summer:

April 27

May 11, 25

June 8, 22

July 6, 20

August 3, 17, 31

September 14, 28

FOODSHARE

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

860-742-5324

RENTER'S REBATE PROGRAM

APRIL 1st – OCTOBER 1st, 2022

OFFERED FOR ELDERLY & DISABLED RENTERS

Connecticut's Elderly Renters' Rebate Program provides direct, partial reimbursement to lower income elderly or disabled renters to help offset a portion of their rent and utility expenses. The program, administered by Office of Policy and Management, provides for payments ranging up to \$900 for qualified married persons and up to \$700 for qualifying single persons. The rebate amount is based on a graduated income scale and the amount of rent and utility payments (excluding telephone) made in the calendar year prior to the year in which the renter applies. The program is open April 1st through October 1st and eligible residents should contact the Coventry Human Services Office to schedule an appointment.

The State of Connecticut

Renters' Rebate Program Hotline is 860-418-6377



Like Coventry Human Services Office on Facebook!

COVENTRY YOUTH SERVICES

CAMPERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP AND DONATIONS:

Coventry Youth Services continues to work with Coventry Parks and Recreation to raise funds to provide financial assistance to children and families who otherwise could not afford to attend summer camp. None of this would be possible without the generous support from our community. **All funds for this scholarship program are raised through donations from community members, organizations & businesses.** We are accepting donation for the 2022 Campership fund. Checks can be made payable to the Town of Coventry.

Each family that applies for assistance meets with the Coventry Youth Services Coordinator, to determine eligibility (no family is guaranteed assistance). There is no set scholarship amount given; rather, each case is looked at individually and amounts are awarded based on a variety of factors, such as family income, family size, current circumstances etc. The number of campership's available is based on the donations received. **Apply now.**



SAFE@HOME

AND SAFE

SITTER ESSENTIALS COURSE:

Class registration will be through the Coventry Parks and Recreation. Please keep a look out in 06238 for class dates and fees.

Safe Sitter Essentials® is designed to prepare students in grades 6-8 to be safe when they're home alone, watching younger siblings, or babysitting. The Instructor-led class is filled with fun games and role-playing exercises. Students learn safety skills, child care skills, first aid and rescue skills, and life and business skills.

Safe@Home is a 90-minute class designed to prepare students in grades 4-6 to be safe when they're home alone. Class teaches students how to practice safe habits, how to prevent unsafe situations, and what to do when faced with dangers such as power failures or weather emergencies. Students are also introduced to the Safe Sitter® First Aid Chart and learn a system to help them assess and respond to injuries and illnesses. Safe@Home provides excellent instruction on staying safe inside the house, outside the house, online, and with others. However, preteens mature at their own pace and parents need to make sure they're ready for the responsibility.

GEARING UP TO LEARN- BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

This program provides new backpacks and school supplies to Coventry families with school aged children, who meet income guidelines. We appreciate any donation of school supply and backpacks for this program. More information regarding date and times for this program will be posted on our Facebook page and website by mid-July.

For more information on any of the programs listed above, please contact Youth Services Coordinator, Sneha L'Heureux at slheureux@coventryct.org or 860-742-5324.

SENIOR CENTER

172 Lake Street • 860-742-3525

Brenda Bennett, Senior Center Coordinator: bbennett@coventryct.org

Sarah Leete, Transportation Coordinator: sleete@coventryct.org

WE ARE OPEN AND HERE FOR YOU! We are committed to providing you with a safe environment in accordance with the state COVID guidelines. Here's what's been happening at the Center! All in person activities have returned and calling ahead is no longer necessary. At this time mask wearing in the Center will be required and there will be no food or drinks allowed at this time. We will continue to ask our participants to social distance whenever possible.

Further details on monthly programming can be found in the Center's monthly program newsletter. Download the newsletter at www.coventryct.org or receive it directly to your inbox by signing up for our Senior Center e-blast at <http://www.coventryct.org/list.aspx>.

Thank you for your patience as we upgrade our building, through grant funding, to "touchless" appliances, lights, faucets, toilets and doors as well as energy efficient lights. Please understand the Center may adjust, without notice, to closing a particular room due to construction. We thank you in advance for your patience while we work through the

Did you know we offer:

Seasonal Walking Club, Medicare CHOICES, Haircuts & Nail Care, Mah-jongg & Setback, Podiatric Foot Care, Massage, Daily Fitness Classes and a Fitness Room.

The Fitness Room is **FREE** of charge and the Center does not charge a membership fee. Save money on your costly membership fee! Our Fitness Room overlooks Coventry Lake and is equipped with 2 treadmills, 1 elliptical machine and 1 recumbent bike. Just call ahead and reserve the room. All we ask is you complete a New Member Registration form as well as a Physician's Medical Release form. A staff member would be happy to provide an orientation of the fitness equipment.



AARP SAFE DRIVING COURSE

The following is the schedule of VSD (Virtual Smart Driver) courses through June 2022. Registration is available at AARP.Cvent.com/dsvirtual. Please note: Event registration closes 7 days prior to the course date. Classes are 4hr+15 min long. The event will provide the Zoom link and additional course information.

The Online course is still available at a 25% discount.

April 28th, 9:30am
May 9th, 12:30pm
May 23rd, 9:30am
June 9th, 12:30pm
June 20th, 9:30am

CHOICES HEALTH INSURANCE COUNSELING

Please contact the Center to schedule your appointment or speak to a volunteer counselor. The CHOICES Program (Connecticut's programs for Health insurance, Outreach, Information and Eligibility Screening) is designated as the official State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) for Connecticut. It is funded in large part by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) of the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services. It provides unbiased information and counseling, on Medicare, Medigap, Medicare Managed Care, Medicaid, Medicare Savings Program, Long Term Care Insurance and other related state & federal programs. The CHOICES program works in cooperation with the CT Department of Social Services, Elderly Services Division and the Center for Medicare Advocacy and is administered by the five Area Agencies on Aging in Connecticut. Area Agencies on Aging are private, not-for-profit organizations which serve the needs of older adults or individuals with disabilities. The CHOICES program is a focal point for information, program development and advocacy.



COVENTRY RIDES TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Call and leave a message, your call will be returned within 48 hours.
Telephone #: 860-742-3525

The Coventry Rides Transportation Program provides free handicap-accessible service for Coventry seniors and residents with disabilities to the towns of Bolton, Tolland, Vernon, and Manchester. We are currently running our Transportation Program for those individuals needing to get to their medical appointments, this is still our priority. If you are in need of making a shopping trip we ask that you plan ahead and schedule your pickup. We know getting to your appointment is important! Please leave a message and we will return your call within 48 hours.

The Coventry Rides Program is funded with grants from the CT Department of Transportation and the Town of Coventry.

WRTD – Dial-a-ride WRTD (Windham Region Transit District) **Dial-a-Ride** services are available for Coventry-to-Coventry transit, as well as to the 9 towns within the Windham region. Reservations can be scheduled a minimum of one business day in advance and up to two weeks prior. To schedule a ride or for more information call 860-456-2223.

COMING EVENTS & NOTABLE ITEMS

NEWS FROM THE PROTECTED SPACES STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

Several town-owned open spaces accessible to the public have benefitted from recent conservation stewardship planning and projects and guided walks. Regular walk-through inspections of access points and trails are conducted throughout the year. As one example, the Williams Preserve on Cooper Lane has several newer trailside amenities including sitting benches, blazed trail markers and a trailhead kiosk. A low-profile wet field “bog bridge” installation and sloped woodland trail erosion controls are planned there later this spring. A big “Thank You” goes out to supporting roles from Land Use, from Public Works and from Parks and Recreation staffs.

The Protected Spaces Stewardship Subcommittee is looking for community volunteers to add to our trail work parties for the upcoming stewardship season. Small trail projects along with scheduled access points and trail maintenance work will be the focus. Local high school students, civic and scout groups, active retirees and others are welcome to join our current crew. If interested, send a note to open-spacestewardship@coventryct.org.

The next public “Fresh Air” walk will be held at Creaser Park on Case Road. It is scheduled for the morning of Saturday May 14th. Details and registration information can be found at the Parks and Recreation web page.

Eric Thomas
Ad-hoc Protected Spaces Stewardship Subcommittee

April 23 & 24: Rid Litter Weekend, sponsored by the Coventry Conservation Commission. The Commission encourages residents to do roadside cleanups along their properties and neighborhoods. A great opportunity for civic groups and neighborhood organizations to organize cleanup crews, and remove some of the trash and litter that has accumulated over the winter. Free garbage bags to use in this initiative are available at the Land Use Office at Town Hall. More info: 860-742-4062.

May 30: Memorial Day Lions Club Breakfast Sandwich Fundraiser, 7 AM—10 AM, First Congregational Church, 1171 Main Street. A sausage, egg, and cheese sandwich, and choice of beverage, will be provided. To-go basis only. Proceeds benefit Lions community programs. More info: lionsclubofcoventry.org.

May 30: Memorial Day Parade, 10 AM. Kicks off at G.H. Robertson School and travels down Cross Street, to Main, and finishes at Bradbury Lane.

Visitors’ Center Reopens, Memorial Day weekend, 10 AM—2 PM. Open weekends through October. Displays featuring Coventry’s trolley history, and a dollhouse replica of one of our historic homes. Coventry memorabilia available for sale, and local tourism information is provided. The Visitors’ Center is staffed by volunteers, and help is always welcomed and appreciated. For more information, contact Pat Pelkey at 860-742-7847.

June 5: Opening Day, Coventry Farmers’ Market. Nathan Hale Homestead, 2299 South Street. More info: website: <https://www.coventryfarmersmarket.org>. Facebook: [coventryfarmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/coventryfarmersmarket).

June 21: 4-7 PM, Make Music Day, Song-a-Day Music Center, 2809 Boston Turnpike. A one-day event featuring free, live musical performances. Held annually on June 21 in 800 cities across 120 countries. Info: 860-742-6878, or makemusicday.org.

SEEKING COVENTRY VETERANS:

The Veterans Memorial & Events Commission (VMEC) seeks names of Coventry residents who are veterans to participate in the following events:

1. An event organized by the Lt. Governor to honor Korean War veterans, to be scheduled in late spring or early summer.
2. “Honor Flight Connecticut” on May 1. Seeking WWII and Korean War veterans to join a free flight to Washington, D.C. for a one-day trip to visit the memorials.

Please help the VMEC locate our Coventry veterans by sending an email to CoventryVMEC@gmail.com. Please include name of veteran, contact information, and their service/dates. The VMEC plans to start a quarterly newsletter to keep veterans and their families up to date.

COVENTRY ARTS GUILD NEW PROGRAMS, MEMBERSHIPS

The Coventry Arts Guild is planning a new year of programming for 2022. The Guild has received grant funding from CT Humanities, and continues to collaborate with the Town of Coventry, Village Partners, and David Hayes Arts Foundation to present events in the coming year.

Monthly displays by Arts Guild members continue at the KeyBank lobby, with the month of April featuring painter Scott Rhodes. Planning is underway for the annual Arts on Main Festival in late summer.

It is membership renewal season, and the Guild welcomes all artists, writers & performers to join. Dues are \$20 per year. Get an application at coventryartsguild.org.



Mark your calendar to join your fellow residents for another CoventryFest

**CoventryFest 2022 will be Saturday, June 25, 2022
Rain Date – Sunday, June 26, 2022**

This year's band is Ali Kat & The Revelators.

COVENTRY CT CARES SEEKING DONATIONS FOR COVENTRYFEST AND THEIR OTHER EVENTS

The organization is a 501 C 3 local non-profit. Donations are accepted in any amount. Proceeds will go toward the CoventryFest event and their other initiatives. Learn more at their website, <https://coventryctcares.com>.

An online donation form is available at this link: <https://coventryctcares.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Open-Donation-Page.pdf>.

To donate by mail, make checks payable to Coventry Ct Cares, Inc. and mail to P.O. Box 947, Coventry, CT 06238-0947. Include your name, mailing address, email address, phone number, and the amount of your donation.

More information: email info@coventryctcares.com or call Albert Landry Jr., 860-377-7754, or Kristen Bilotta 860-707-9577.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

860-742-4067

Public records for the Assessor's Office can be viewed using the following link:

<https://crcog.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=ed798533e6fd4304b2bef1f28e95c06f> - CRCOG website last updated daily for ownership and assessment.

Property field cards, sketches, pictures, exemption applications and general information can be found on the Town's website. **Remember, that property cards on the Vision Appraisal website were updated through January 2020 at www.vgsi.com.**

The Elderly and Disabled Homeowner program began February 1, 2022. This is the information we mailed out in regards to the participant in the Homeowner's Tax Relief Program:

This is your reminder that you may be eligible to participate in the Elderly Homeowner's or Totally Disabled Tax Relief Program. This program is based on income and gives you a percentage off your taxes. 2022 income limits are \$46,400 if married, or less than \$38,100 if single.

Proof of income is required by law. This proof may consist of a copy of your 2021 income tax return, form 1099 – INT (bank interest income), 1099 – DIV (dividends), Form W-2P (pension), bank statements or passbooks, form 1099 – Social Security statement, etc. for the calendar year 2021.

Applications will be accepted **through Monday, May 16, 2022**. You may come in to the Assessor's Office during regular business hours (8:30 am-4:30 pm Monday through Wednesday, 8:30 am – 6:30 pm Thursday and 8:30 am – 1:30 pm Friday) and we will assist you in filling out your application.

The Town of Coventry also offers a local tax relief program which mirrors the income limits of the state benefit. The program is offered as both a tax credit, that is equal to half of the state benefit, or it is a deferral, where a lien is filed on the Town Clerk's land records until it is paid or the property is sold at which time the deferred taxes must be paid.

Veterans must file their DD-214 with the Town Clerk prior to **October 1st** to be eligible for exemption. If you have already filed, you do not need to re-file. You will receive your exemption automatically. If veterans meet income guidelines, you may be eligible for an additional exemption. The program began February 1st, and applications are processed until October 1, 2022. Please call if your income is less than \$46,400 if married, or less than \$38,100 if single, both must include Social Security benefits from you SSA-1099 form and your adjusted gross income from your 2021 Federal Income tax return. You will be asked to provide proof of all the income documentation regarding both of the above-mentioned applications.

The Income and Expense forms will be mailed out by April 15th. The forms are to be filled out and returned to our office **no later than June 1, 2022**.

NEWS FROM PARKS AND RECREATION

860-742-4068

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER CAMP IS OPEN!!

Camp Wangumbaug (Camp W) is a traditional day camp held at Patriots Park for children ages 5 -12. Children participate in group games, arts and crafts and swimming. Parks and Rec also offers a Trailblazers camp for ages 12 & 13 and a Counselor In Training Program for ages 14 & 15. The camp day runs from 9am – 4pm with an option to add morning care or after care.

Specialty Camps offered for Summer 2022:

- Lego Camp
- Volleyball Camp
- Basketball Camp
- ArtVenture Camp
- Baseball Camp
- Soccer Camp
- Multisport Camp
- Food Explorers Camp
- Mad Science Camp

Summer Kick Off Event in Patriots Park: Saturday, May 14th

9am – 1pm. Purchase your resident beach sticker, meet summer camp staff, sign up for summer camp and more!

Now taking Spring/Summer Pavilion Rentals; Creaser Park and Lisicke Beach! Book your next special event or family gathering with Coventry Parks and Recreation.

Summer Edition of 06238 Program Guide hitting homes soon! Parks and Recreation continues to add new program offerings each season!



The pavilion at Creaser Park.



COVENTRY BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Jennifer Beausoleil, Chairperson; Eugene Marchand, Vice Chairperson; Mary Kortmann, Secretary; Peter DePaola; Emma Eaton; Courtney Rossignol; and Christina Williams.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:

The remaining meetings for the upcoming year are as follows: April 28, May 12, May 26, June 9, June 16, July 28, August 25, September 8, September 29, October 13, October 27, November 10, and December 8. Please check the agenda for meeting location and start time. All Board meetings can be viewed on Channel 194 or on Coventry Public Schools Live YouTube Channel. To watch previously recorded Board of Education meetings, please visit www.coventryct.viebit.com to access the Town of Coventry's Video On-Demand Library.

2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR APPROVED:

The Board of Education approved the 2022-2023 Coventry Public Schools calendar at the February 24, 2022 Board meeting. The approved 2022-2023 calendar can be found on our website at <https://www.coventrypublicschools.org/quicklinks/2223-calendar>.

GRADUATION:

Graduation is scheduled for Saturday, June 11, 2022, details to come later this spring. Weather permitting, the ceremony will be held outside at Coventry High School.

COVENTRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADVANCED PLACEMENT, UCONN EARLY COLLEGE EXPERIENCE, AND DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

Over the past few years, Coventry High School (CHS), with the support of the Board of Education and district administration, has expanded the advanced college credit learning opportunities provided for CHS students. This work has been possible through partnerships with the College Board Advanced Placement, UCONN Early College Experience, and Dual Enrollment Programs with area universities. These programs offer outstanding opportunities for students to advance their learning, experience the rigor of college level classes, and earn valuable college credits while in high school, all at a significant savings to students and families when compared to regular college tuition.

Coventry High School offers multiple Advanced Placement (AP) Courses, including AP Art History, Biology, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Literature and Composition, Language and Composition, Environmental Science, European History, Music Theory, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, US History, Modern World History, as well as AP Seminar and Research Courses. Through the UCONN Early College Experience (ECE) Program, students can also take courses at Coventry High School in ECE Drawing, English 12, French Literature and Language, Discrete Math, Calculus, US History, and Statistics. For the first time, in the 2022-23 school year, CHS will offer ECE Environmental Science as an option for students. As part of Dual Enrollment Agreements with area universities, a course in Medical Terminology through Eastern Connecticut State University (ECSU) will be available, where students can earn credit at both CHS and ECSU while taking the class at CHS. Through our partnership with Goodwin University's eCamp Program, students also have the opportunity to engage in classes at Goodwin University to earn both high school and college credit and earn certification in Clean Manufacturing after completing their seven credit program while in high school.

These college credit opportunities are an extremely popular option for students at Coventry High School, with many students earning multiple credits towards their college diploma and engaging in rigorous coursework while still in high school. Some students have even been able to enroll in college as sophomores based on the amount of credit earned through these programs. As a result, students and families have been able to save thousands of dollars each year in college tuition due to the reduced cost of taking college credit bearing courses through these programs while at Coventry High School. In partnership with the Superintendent, Board of Education, district administration, and school staff, the district is very proud of the AP, ECE, and Dual Enrollment programs and are always searching for new opportunities to prepare Coventry students for life, learning, and work in the 21st Century.

PARENT Q & A SESSIONS: Come meet the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. David J. Petrone. As the Superintendent of Schools, one of his initiatives is to meet with as many parents and members of our Coventry community as possible. Open communication is a key component for true collaboration. All parents and community members are invited to keep informed about education in our town by attending any Open Door Meeting.

The last meeting for the 2021-2022 school year is Monday, May 2, 2022 from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. and will have a budget focus.

If you are unable to attend one of these scheduled events, but would still like to speak to the Superintendent, please phone his office at 860-742-7317, Ext. 2.

BUDGET:

Budget development for the next school year is well underway. To keep up to date with this work, follow this link to the budget information page on the website: <http://www.coventrypublicschools.org/boe/budget>.

WORKING PAPERS: All children under the age of 18, who have secured employment, are required to have “working papers.” To acquire these papers, please have a form of identification and verification of employment in writing from your employer stating what your specific work duties will include 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.

Hale Early Education Center Preschool Registration

The Hale Early Education Center is a NAEYC accredited preschool located on the campus of Captain Nathan Hale Middle School. The preschool has opening for three- and four-year old children for the 2022-2023 school year.

To enroll, go to <https://www.coventrypublicschools.org/schools/heec/preschool-registration>

There will be an Information Night for prospective families in the spring. Families are encouraged to call the preschool at 860.742.4550 for additional information. Details are also available on the Coventry Public Schools website.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: Flexible hours/days with a wide variety of experiences.

Teacher, Para-Educator, and School Nurse Substitutes: Please visit our website at <https://www.coventrypublicschools.org/district/human-resources> for additional information. **Cafeteria Substitutes:** Call Beth Pratt at 860-742-4535. **Bus Drivers/ Substitutes:** Call M & J Bus Co. at 860-742-0344.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION: Interested in volunteering in any of the schools in district? To become a volunteer, please contact the building principals for more specific information. Their contact information can be found at <http://www.coventrypublicschools.org/district/volunteer>.

FACEBOOK: Have you heard? Coventry Public Schools now has an official Facebook page! To follow us search for **Coventry Public Schools**. Or, you can also connect to our account directly from the website.



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COVENTRY, CT 06238



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LEGAL NOTICE-TOWN OF COVENTRY
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING & NOTICE OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING
APRIL 23, 2022

The legal voters of the Town of Coventry and those property owners qualified to vote in Town Meetings pursuant to Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut are hereby notified and warned that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Coventry will be held Saturday, April 23, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. in the Veterans Auditorium of Coventry High School, Ripley Hill Rd, Coventry, CT to discuss and take action on the following items:

Item #1: To hear the Town Council's estimate of expenditures for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Item #2: To consider and take action on the Town Council's recommendation for the 2022-2023 fiscal year appropriation, pursuant to Section 9-1 of the Town Charter, the final vote shall be adjourned by the Moderator to May 3, 2022.

Town of Coventry
Council Recommended Budget for FY 22-23

Expenditures	2021 Actual	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Actual YTD	2022 Est. Actual	2023 Agency Request	2023 Town Manager	2023 Council
General Government	\$ 1,759,538	\$ 1,833,840	\$ 1,466,563	\$ 1,849,363	\$ 2,010,151	\$ 1,977,088	\$ 1,981,313
Public Safety	2,592,683	2,747,791	2,049,123	2,667,893	2,915,345	2,755,510	2,693,070
Public Works	2,502,983	2,598,123	2,114,434	2,631,288	2,806,483	2,725,623	2,723,973
Human Services	277,241	323,041	227,838	323,041	340,036	342,186	342,186
Civic & Cultural	606,112	627,375	472,298	627,375	710,375	702,500	700,500
Sundry	2,351,364	2,485,530	2,012,000	2,385,530	2,643,020	2,728,200	2,693,600
General Government Total	10,089,921	10,615,700	8,342,256	10,484,490	11,425,410	11,231,107	11,134,642
Debt Service	2,668,647	2,781,581	2,483,620	2,781,581	2,972,337	2,972,337	2,983,337
Board of Education	27,478,400	28,305,819	17,050,531	28,250,472	29,027,461	29,027,461	28,927,461
Capital	587,000	720,030	720,030	720,030	828,500	828,500	756,500
Ambulance Fund Transfer	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 437,500
Expenditures Total	\$ 40,823,968	\$ 42,423,130	\$ 28,596,437	\$ 42,236,573	\$ 44,403,708	\$ 44,559,405	\$ 44,239,440
Revenues							
Property Tax	\$ 32,290,548	\$ 32,757,303	\$ 32,626,709	\$ 32,757,303	\$ 34,855,115	\$ 35,013,252	\$ 34,849,775
Intergovernmental	8,738,636	8,834,477	4,829,542	8,834,477	8,812,293	8,810,353	8,603,865
Local	840,721	631,350	527,585	631,350	636,300	635,800	635,800
Use of Fund Balance	-	200,000	-	13,443	100,000	100,000	150,000
Revenues Total	\$ 41,869,905	\$ 42,423,130	\$ 37,983,836	\$ 42,236,573	\$ 44,403,708	\$ 44,559,405	\$ 44,239,440

If revenues remain unchanged and collection rates of 98.80% is used; a proposed mil rate of 31.99 will be required.

Item #3: To authorize the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation for Town Aid Funds for roads available to the Town of Coventry under Chapter 240 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

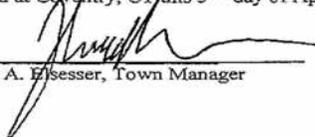
Item #4: To take action on the Town Council's recommendation on the FY 2023 Capital Improvement Plan and to authorize the Town Manager to make application pursuant to Title 7, Chapter 116b of the Connecticut General Statutes for funding for eligible projects under the Local Capital Improvement Program (LOCIP).

Item #5: To authorize the Town Manager and the Town Treasurer to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of tax collections to meet current expenditures.

Item #6: To consider and take action on the Town Council's resolution entitled "Resolution Recommending the Purchase of PID 4593 South River Road, Coventry for Open Space and the Calling of a Town Meeting to Consider Said Purchase from Seth and Kristy Conway for \$69,000.", pursuant to Section 9-3(a) of the Town Charter.

20 summary copies of the proposed budget are available in the Town Clerk's Office, 1712 Main St., Coventry, CT 06238 or can be viewed online at www.Coventryct.org.

Dated at Coventry, CT this 5TH day of April 2022.


John A. Fessner, Town Manager


Lori Tollmann, Town Clerk