

## **First Selectman's Report**

**November 5, 2019**

The Highway Department is putting the finishing touches on Slab Meadow Road and will start working on tree removal in areas throughout the Town. They had several calls for downed trees from this past week's storm which had to be cleaned up. They are preparing the roads and equipment for the winter and working on basin repairs. Snow is expected on Thursday night.

Litchfield Volunteer Ambulance provided CPR/AED training to 16 Town employees. The AEDs will be available at the Community Hall, Fire House, Town Garage, Transfer Station, Senior Center and one more for the bus trips provided through the Senior Center and Beach and Recreation.

An informational meeting was held on the future of fiber optics in Northwest Connecticut on October 16<sup>th</sup>. The video of this meeting is available on the Town Website.

Participated in the bi-weekly Smokey Hollow Bridge progress meeting. The steel beams should arrive in early November and be installed by mid to late November. The east abutment should be completed by early November. Winter work will be weather dependent. We have been working with the DOT to finalize the STEAP Agreement for the project that will release the 150,000 grant to help offset the construction cost of the bridge.

Participated in a Region 6 School Security Meeting with District officials, SROs, and First Selectman to discuss recent and future security upgrades at the four schools.

There will a meeting with Region and Litchfield School administration along with the First Selectmen from Warren, Morris, Goshen, and Litchfield to discuss working together on joining the Region 6 insurance plan in an effort to reduce costs to all those participating.

The Connecticut Tree Protective Association will be planting a white oak tree in our Memorial Park to celebrate 100 years of the passing of Connecticut's Arborist Law. The planting will take place on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Attended and participated in the Smokey Hollow Bridge Update meetings with DOT and project engineers. Met with the Zoning Enforcement Officer, Fire Marshal, Fire Chief, Planning and Zoning Chairman, Activities Director, Library Director, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessor, Building Official and the Torrington Area Health District representative.