CANAAN FIRE DISTRICT

P.O. Box 22 Canaan, CT 06018

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WARNING

All persons eligible to vote in meetings of the Canaan Fire District are hereby warned that the Annual Budget Meeting of the said District will be held at the North Canaan Town Hall on Monday, June 28th, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. to consider and act upon the following items:

- 1. To approve the District budget proposed for the 2021-2022 fiscal year by the Executive Committee of the District; and
- 2. To transact any other business proper to come before such meeting.

Dated at North Canaan, Connecticut this 14th day of June, 2021.

Anthony J. Nania Warden

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Memo:

From: Warden, Anthony J. Nania Canaan Fire District

To: Editor, Lakeville Journal

Date: June 10, 2021

To the Editor

In 2019 the Canaan Fire District learned, that certain commercial personal property on its annual Grand List had been exempted from taxation by operation of Law, and that as a result of that exemption, the District would lose more than \$140,000 (a third of its annual tax revenues) in the coming fiscal years.

In 2020, and because I believed that the District residents should not be forced to pay a more than 30% tax increase in their annual property taxes, I sought the help of Maria Horn our State Representative.

As a result of her hard work, the State budget that was passed this week in Hartford included a payment in lieu of taxes of \$200,000 to the Canaan Fire District in the form of installments of \$100,000 annually for each of the next two fiscal years, with the possibility of seeking further PILOT Payments should they be necessary in coming years.

In the interim the combination of the \$100,000 PILOT payment and a \$35 increase in the annual Sewer User Charge will enable the District to meet budgeted spending for next year that will be \$44,000 less than this year.

The resident's and electors of the Canaan Fire District are very grateful to Representative Horn for her very timely and effective work.

The District's annual budget meeting will now be called for later this month at a date and time that will be posted on the Town Bulletin Board next week.

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