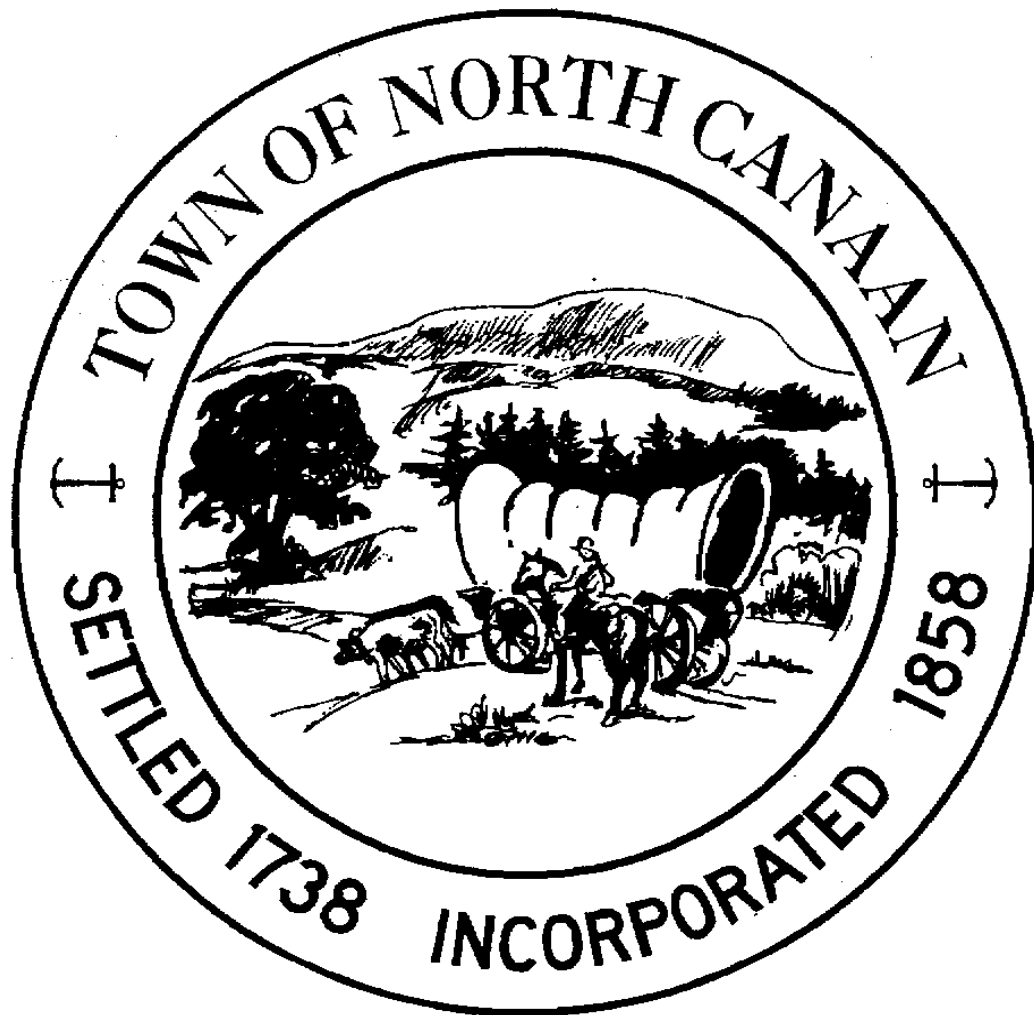


Town of North Canaan

Annual Report

For the year ending June 30, 2014



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Town Office Hours

Selectmen:	Monday & Wednesday: 7:30 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00 Tuesday & Thursday: 7:30 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 6:00
Tax Collector:	Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 3:00
Town Clerk:	Monday - Thursday: 9:30 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00
Assessor:	Monday - Thursday: 9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00
Treasurer:	Tuesday – Thursday: 9:00 – 3:00
Building Official:	Monday - Thursday: 9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00
Social Services:	Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 – 12:00 & 1:00 – 4:00 Other days by appointment
Transfer Station:	Monday & Thursday – Saturday: 8:00 – 4:00 Sunday: 8:00 – 11:30 AM
Litchfield Hills Probate: 860-824-7012	Monday - Thursday: 9:00 – 4:00
Fire Marshall/Burning Official:	Call for appointment.
Zoning Officer:	Call for appointment.

Regular Board and Commission Meetings

Board of Selectman:	Monthly – First Monday 7:00 PM
Board of Finance:	Monthly - Second Wednesday 7:30 PM
Board of Education:	Monthly – Second Thursday 7:00 PM
Planning and Zoning Commission:	Monthly – Second Monday 7:00 PM
Inland Wetlands Cons. Commission:	Monthly – Fourth Thursday 7:00 PM
Recreation Commission:	Monthly - Third Tuesday 7:00 PM
Library Directors:	Monthly – Second Wednesday 7:00 PM
<i>For exact date, time and place check with the Town Clerk's Office.</i>	

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Facts and Figures

Separated from Town of Canaan	1858
Population	3400
Elevation	702
Area	19.6
Paved roads	33.9

Number of voters	1963
Republican	546
Democrat	453
Unaffiliated	944
Minority parties	20

Grand List:	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Taxable real estate	260,825,420	262,630,980
Taxable personal	56,095,280	57,172,110
Taxable motor vehicle	<u>22,941,910</u>	<u>23,651,060</u>
Gross total	339,862,610	343,454,150
Less exemptions	<u>30,897,230</u>	<u>32,224,450</u>
Net taxable	308,897,380	311,229,700
Exempt properties	37,611,210	37,788,160

Elected Town Officers

Board of Selectmen:	Douglas E. Humes, Jr. 1 st Selectman - 2015 Charles P. Perotti - 2015 Susan J. Clayton - 2015
Board of Finance:	Nancy J. O'Connor, Chairman – 2017 Frank A. Ghi – 2015 Glenn J. Rogers – 2015 Shannon L. May-Vernalli – 2017 Brian D. Allyn – 2019 William Minacci – 2019
Board of Education:	Dolores S. Perotti, Chairman – 2015 Dorothy W. Cecchinato – 2015 Amy Dodge – 2015 Beth L. McGuire – 2015 Laurie J. Perotti – 2015 Claudia Callinan – 2017 Karen G. Riccardelli – 2017 Susan E. Warner – 2017
Region I Representative:	Edwin Gow – 2017
Town Clerk:	Carolyn C. O'Connor – 2017
Town Treasurer:	Emily M. Minacci – 2015
Tax Collector:	Jennifer J. Jacquier - 2015
Board of Assessment Appeals:	Richard G. Crane, Sr. – 2015 Thomas J. Gales. – 2015 David W. Jacquier – 2017
Judge of Probate:	Diane S. Blick – 2014
Justice of the Peace:	Anthony G. Gandolfo – 2016 Nancy L. Gandolfo – 2016 Evelyn E. Hedus – 2016 Heidi Reineke-Kelsey – 2016 Lynne H. Martin – 2016 Clementine C. McGuire – 2016 Carolyn C. O'Connor - 2016

Library Directors:

Stephanie L. Shearer – 2015
Marjorie A. Stevenson – 2015
Rose Marie Lane-Lopez – 2017
Clementine C. McGuire – 2017
Melanie K. Neely – 2019
Lance Beizer – 2019

Planning & Zoning Commission:

Steven P. Allyn, Chairman - 2017
Peter J. Brown – 2015
Norman A. Tatsapaugh – 2015
Daniel J. Adam – 2017
Frank A. Montagna – 2017
Alternates:
Timothy Abbott – 2015
Vacancy – 2015
Martin J. McKay – 2017

Registrar of Voters:

Democrat
Republican

Lawrence Potts – 2016
Anna E. McGuire – 2016

Zoning Board of Appeals:

Brian D. Allyn – 2017
Matthew Freund – 2017
Michael S. O'Connor – 2017
Donald T. Martin – 2015
David A. Woodruff – 2015
Alternates:
Diana M. Ghi - 2017
Philip J. Eichman – 2015
George H. Johannesen – 2017

Appointed Town Officers

Town Council:

Judith Dixon

Town Auditor:

Michael Zemaitis

Town Secretary:

Dorothy Paviol
Nancy Bagnaschi

Assistant Town Clerk:

Jean A. Jacquier
Teri Aitken

Assessor:	Linda Bertaccini
Assistant:	Carroll A. Segalla
Beautification Committee:	Kimberly Funkhouser, Chairman Joseph Baldesseri, Founder True Anderson Tom Zetterstrom
Building Official:	Francis Carrillo
Assistant:	Cheryl Duntz
Burning Official:	Brian Allyn
Civil Preparedness	Dinnie Light
Commission on Tourism:	Sandra Brown
Council of Governments:	Douglas E. Humes, Jr.
Dog Warden:	Lauren Foley
Assistant:	Jonathan Routhier Gregg Tidd
Economic Development Commission:	John Lannen
Fire Marshall:	Daryl O. Byrnes
Deputy:	Robin Denny
Greenway Committee:	Geoffrey Drury, Chairman Douglas E. Humes, Jr. John Lannen Ian McCunn Leroy Riva John Taylor Tom Zetterstrom
Historian:	Kathryn W. Boughton
Homeland Security:	Dinnie Light Peter Clark
Housatonic River Commission:	Patricia Lynn Fowler
Housatonic Youth Service:	A. Paul Ramuni

Housing Authority:	Charles P. Humes – 2015 Joseph Howard – 2016 Deborah A. Bergenty – 2017 Helen S. McGuire – 2018 *Vacancy – 2014
Inland Wetland Conservation Commission:	Gregg A. Polanski, Chairman – 2014 Matthew R. Freund – 2015 Michael S. O'Connor – 2015 Barry Brown – 2017 Robert P. Jacquier – 2017 *Vacancy – 2017 <i>Alternates:</i> *Vacancy – 2011 (3)
Librarian:	Norma DeMay
Litchfield County Dispatch	Lee Baldwin
Northwest Connecticut Transit District:	Debra Hester
Recreation Commission:	Tammy MacDonald – 2015 Thomas Olownia – 2015 Glenn Rogers – 2015 Tiffany Riva Allyn - 2017 Marilisa Camardi – 2017 Francis Perotti – 2017 Thomas J. Bunce, Jr. – 2019 Becky Cahill – 2019 Vacancy - 2019
Recreation Director:	Adam Bunce
Resident Trooper:	Jason St. John
Social Service Agent:	BJ Christinat
Superintendent of Schools:	Patricia Chamberlin
Torrington Area Health District:	Julie Prue
Town Highway Department:	Bryon Carlson, Supervisor
Transfer Station:	Dinnie Light

Tree Warden:

Corey Bush

Zoning Enforcement Officer:

Ruth Mulcahy

Summary of Town Meetings

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JULY 27, 2013

- ITEM 1: To authorize the town purchase of the Wyckoff property (excluding the house and two acres) at 340 West Main Street For \$150,000.00 plus the cost of the survey. PASSED.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

DECEMBER 19, 2013

- ITEM 1: To designate banks in which Town Funds are to be deposited. Designate Salisbury Bank And Trust Company, Litchfield Bancorp, Torrington Savings Bank, People's United Bank, and any other Bank Selectmen may choose for deposit. PASSED.
- ITEM 2: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow such sums as may be necessary to fund ordinary expenses of the Town. PASSED.
- ITEM 3: To authorize the Town of North Canaan to approve a resolution to execute an agreement between the Town and Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority to establish the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-Pace) Program. PASSED.
- ITEM 4: To receive and act upon the report of the Officers of the Town. PASSED.

ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

MAY 13, 2014

- ITEM 1: To approve the renewal of the lease to the North Canaan-Canaan Little League, Inc. for The sum of \$1.00 for the parcel of land located upon school property. PASSED.
- ITEM 2: To take action upon the estimate of the Board of Finance expenditures of the Town for Ensuing fiscal year and to make such specific appropriation as may appear advisable in accordance with Section 7-344 of the General Statutes, as amended. PASSED.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JUNE 24, 2014

- ITEM 1: To authorize the town to take action regarding the adoption of an ordinance regarding the Douglas Library. PASSED.
- ITEM 2: To authorize the town to take action regarding amending the Open Burning Ordinance. PASSED.
- ITEM 3: To authorize the town to take action regarding the purchase of a pick-up truck for the Town Garage using funds transferred from the Capitol and Non-Recurring Account. PASSED.

Summary Budget

	<u>2013-2014</u>	<u>2014-2015</u>
Board of Selectmen Budget:	\$ 2,512,374	\$ 2,595,398
Board of Education Budget:	<u>\$ 8,262,649</u>	<u>\$ 8,786,361</u>
Total Budget:	<u>\$10,775,023</u>	<u>\$ 11,381,759</u>

Total to be raised by town taxes 2014-2015: *\$8,662,640*

Grand List October 2013: *\$311,229,700*

Mill Rate: *27.5*

First Selectman

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

As we look forward to the fall and hope that our winter is a mild one. This has been an active year for North Canaan. The Town Officers worked very hard to continue the many town programs, and projects to keep the cost of running our Community down, while keeping the many necessary services and programs and education at a level that will benefit all.

Unfortunately we saw a tax increase in our property tax to do this. I know this comes at a hard time for everyone with the overall economy of the Country and state in slow recover. As we look ahead there are some good things happening in our Community that should help ease some of the revenue problems. We have seen new business growth in the downtown and Manufacture business, expanding building projects. I am hopeful that we will turn the corner in the coming year for a brighter future.

We are very thankful to the Volunteer Organizations that make our town a great place to live.

Railroad Days was a great success with the help of many group and individuals.

The Highway Department has been working very hard with our Tree Warden, Cory Bush and Tom Zetterstrom and Christian Allyn to remove dangerous tree and plant new ones around town. Drainage projects on Tobey Hill and patching those pot holes that just keep popping up, due to the increase of rainfall.

The Homeland Security team headed by Dinnie Light has acquired a Message Board and other equipment to help in an emergency.

We would like to thank all those members of the Boards and Commissions who give of their time to make North Canaan a great place to live.

To those citizens heading south, take care, be well and see you in the spring.

As always, it's an honor to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas E. Humes, Jr.

North Canaan Elementary School

Our community school, a beautiful, well maintained facility, celebrates over fifty-five years of teaching and learning. It is a gem in North Canaan and students enjoy a school environment that promotes a culture of learning and positive growth. Resources and materials are allocated generously and willingly to support the effort to educate youngsters. We are most fortunate to have strong community support for the children. The building is a bright, cheerful place to learn.

A safe environment is a top priority. For many years now the school has focused on building security. Use of cameras, locks, and a buzz-in system has been in place for many years. Each year the hardware is evaluated, tested, and in many cases enhanced as it was in 2013-2014. The school enjoys robust community representation on the safety committee which includes local emergency response personnel, the resident trooper, and school staff members, including the principal. The safety committee meets regularly and emergency plans are reviewed annually. The staff is well trained in protocols and safety procedures. Drills take place frequently and student response is incomparable.

Use of technology continues to broaden in the classroom as it is integrated with learning. As of this school year, every classroom at North Canaan has an interactive whiteboard, including the music and art room and library. They are used by teachers as an instructional tool, allowing students to interact, manipulate shapes, numbers, maps, text, and view virtually anything on the web. In addition, students use word processing and presentation programs, digital imaging, photo editing, scanning, spreadsheets to create various charts and graphs, and various web-based software to create posters, brochures, etc. Students take assessments online, use a digital library card catalogue, blog, e-mail teachers, and use fun drill and practice sites. Carts of lap tops are heavily used throughout the building each day, whether students are writing and editing stories in a second grade classroom or doing an experiment in an eighth grade science lab. Teachers also make use of iPads and an endless number of quality apps to enhance, reinforce, and supplement student learning. Students become proficient in skills through computer classes taught by Beth Johnson who seeks to link the curriculum of each grade and subject to the teaching of important technology skills. This year the computer lab was updated and some hardware was replaced. The school budgets annually for technology needs and rotation of resources occurs based on specific needs in the building. The school developed a technology plan which was approved by the State and part of the plan includes training for teachers.

Grant dollars also help to fund professional development for the faculty. All professional development seeks to enhance instructional skills and aid in the achievement of our students. There is a high degree of professionalism among the faculty. They keep current with best practices and curriculum standards, embrace new methods, and continually employ new methods to improve the education offered to our children.

During the 2013-2014 school year, the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (known around the school as PBIS) has become part of our culture. PBIS is not a program but rather a framework for making decisions that affects students' school wide in order to benefit all within the context of guiding, selecting, and adopting best practices for academics and behavior expectations. Students are taught expectations in all areas of school life from the classroom to the playground and can readily explain the core values of safety, respect, and responsibility. Throughout the year, the school comes together to celebrate its successes with fun, meaningful activities. Students enjoy reading partnerships across grade levels; for example, students in

eighth grade are paired with first graders. Teachers look for occasions whether it is reading or fun, team building activities that bring the school family together.

This year students have been exposed to a number of cultural, academic and arts programs. We have also been fortunate to send students on field trips to complement their learning. For example, the fourth grade visited Hartford as the culmination of Connecticut history and geography studies. They also participated in the regional arts day held at The Hotchkiss School. The sixth grade participated in SM&SH day (fun with science and math) at The Hotchkiss School, the seventh grade went to Boston after studying the Revolutionary War in social studies and reading historical fiction in literature classes, and the traditional annual eighth grade trip was to Pennsylvania (Philadelphia, Gettysburg, and Hershey) and included an appropriate mix of learning and fun--the highlight was a baseball game to see the Philadelphia Phillies. In addition, they spent a day in New York City, which culminated in going to a Broadway play. This year the fifth grade participated in *Immigration Nation*, a history program sponsored by Education Connection in Litchfield. Funding for this program came from a grant and allowed students to visit New York City and work with students from other schools in Litchfield County.

Other classes visited the Palace Theatre in Waterbury and the Warner Theatre in Torrington to see theatrical productions of stories. Area farms were explored, the fifth grade toured Hancock Shaker Village, and students left the building to learn local history and explore the rivers. The fifth grade also went to Nature's Classroom for four days in Becket, Massachusetts where all disciplines were taught in an environment of exploration and experiment. Weather, marine biology on the Sound, and ordering in Spanish at a Mexican restaurant were all part of learning that occurred beyond the walls of the classroom. In addition to field trips, the faculty seeks to bring the world beyond into the classroom through the use of technology, such as the SmartBoard, which engages students and helps connect learners to the larger world.

Aside from full days at school our students also demonstrate their talent throughout the year in concerts, sports, and drama performances. The school sponsors soccer, basketball, baseball and softball to middle school students and this year's teams demonstrated not only athletic prowess, but sportsmanship and setting positive examples for younger students. To demonstrate academic prowess our students compete in Quiz Bowl coached by Doug Murray, social studies teacher. This year our team won the regional trophy. This year's annual drama club production delighted audiences the first week in April. NCES music teacher, Michael Piraneo, directed the school band in winter and spring performances, at the tree lighting ceremony to usher in the holiday season in town, and later in the year on Memorial Day by representing the school in the parade and Dough Boy ceremonies. Early Childhood teacher Mary Davidson led concerts for Early K-2 and showcased musical talent of our students at Geer and Noble Horizons. Region One held a STEM (integration of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Expo at the high school in the spring. NCES was well represented with many fine projects on display for the public to view.

Every year I write that the treasure of the town is truly its people, and again this year is no exception. It is truly an honor and a joy to work here. The Board of Education is extremely conscientious and dedicated to providing a quality education, the staff has endless energy and enthusiasm for teaching and learning, and when all ingredients are combined, great things happen. Do drop by the school for a visit—you should be proud of your community school.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemary A. Keilty, Principal

Superintendent of Region One

As the 2013-2014 school year draws to a close, we begin to reflect upon our many achievements throughout the Region. It is always a challenge to enumerate these accomplishments, in that there is so much happening in each of our seven schools; hence, I will attempt to highlight some of our major accomplishments

Students, staff and faculty returned with great enthusiasm to well-organized openings throughout the district. The school year commenced with the appointment of Assistant Principal Ian Strever as Interim Principal and Liam O'Reilly as Interim Assistant Principal at Housatonic Valley Regional High School. With what would have seemed to be a challenge for both administrators, they rose to the occasion and completed a successful year at HVRHS. We thank them for their cooperation, diligence and service. Dr. José Martinez was hired to commence on July 1, 2014 as the new Principal at HVRHS and has settled in to his new office and position in a very short time. Our now veteran principal staff in the elementary schools accomplished an extraordinary amount of work over the course of the school year.

Seven teachers celebrated 25 years of service to the region this year. In addition, we welcomed nineteen new teachers to our regional schools. Under the direction of our Assistant Superintendent, many of our teachers worked through the summer in the content areas of: mathematics, science, language arts, and social studies to develop and revise curriculum. Numeracy and literacy were the focus, as regionally we are aligning curricula to the State adopted Common Core State Standards. We are indeed fortunate to have incredibly talented and dedicated faculty and staff working for the greater good of our students and schools.

Annually, initiatives and goals are established by administrators in our schools along with their faculties; regional initiatives established this year were:

1. To improve student achievement as evidenced by multiple data sources such as local, regional, state, and national assessments with benchmarks established by each school through the use of Common Core, SRBI/RTI, PBIS, and Differentiated Instruction;
2. To begin implementation of the new regional teacher and school leader evaluation plans;
3. To promote active citizenship within and among faculty, staff and students using the following indicators: self-management, increased involvement, communication, respect, outreach, and shared leadership (including systematic responsiveness to at-risk youth);
4. To implement a “guaranteed and viable curriculum” tied to comprehensive formative and summative assessments utilizing the Common Core of Teaching and the instructional core (student, teacher, content), for example:
 - a) Regional and School Grade Level Meetings – Outcomes
 - b) Strategies for Intervention
 - c) Regional Continuum of Professional Practice
 - d) Region Assessments Aligned to the Common Core State Standards
 - e) Continuous Assessment and Improvement of School Safety and Security

Principals, working with their faculties, developed building goals that supported the regional initiatives, and each faculty member then developed their professional goals to accomplish the building goals. This coordination allowed for effectively and efficiently providing professional development for faculty and administrators. Ongoing teacher development focused on curriculum alignment with the Common Core and

implementation of the revised curricula, along with technology. While challenging, we implemented the new evaluation plans for teachers and administrators and subsequently sent revised plans to the State Department of Education for their approval. We will continue to refine and implement the plan throughout the year.

While CMT and CAPT state testing were still utilized this past year in the area of science, a new “Field Test” was implemented in the areas of language arts and mathematics. The Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium, a state-led consortium, implemented next-generation assessments aligned to the Common Core State Standards in both of these areas to more accurately measure student progress toward college- and career-readiness. The field test this year was a trial run of these assessments, utilized to ensure that the assessments are valid, reliable and fair for all students. This field test will also be used by test developers to show which items work well and which ones need to be improved so that they can contribute to the operational assessment in the spring of 2015. Because the field test this year was an evaluation of items and processes, schools and districts will not receive individual student results this fall. Schools from across the country participated in this field testing for the overall development of the assessments with over five million students testing.

Economic constraints continue to cause our schools to be conservative in addressing the building needs of each school. Sound fiscal planning and monitoring by our business manager, seven principals and boards of education continue to serve us well. All budgets throughout the region passed in May in preparation for the fiscal year 2014-2015.

The Central Office team successfully negotiated three certified teacher contracts and a new contract for the Administrator Collective Bargaining Unit this past school year. In addition, a non-certified contract was negotiated at North Canaan Elementary School. The Business Office continues to support the needs of our regional schools when necessary or requested.

In closing, it is more important than ever to remain focused on the needs of our students throughout the region as our student enrollments decline. We continue monitoring and reporting enrollment projections that will continue to gradually decline if predictions remain accurate. The 2013-2014 school year has been a challenging yet educationally productive year for our students and staff. Our dedicated and talented staff, faculties and administrators continue to work hard toward the success of all children. We appreciate the contributions made by our community volunteers and the efforts of our seven Boards of Education in the maintenance and success of our outstanding schools.

Respectfully,
Patricia Chamberlain

Beautification Committee

The NCBC volunteers maintain flowerbeds at the East Canaan Monument, Lawrence Field Town Plaque, Railroad Street Linear Garden, Town Hall Fountain Garden and the Ashley Falls Road Planting Bed. Gardening project participants include Susan Warner, Daphne Drury, True and Robert Anderson.

Citizen tree pruners, Christian Allyn, Geoff and Daphne Drury and Tom Zetterstrom performed pruning and training of young trees in the new Camp Brook Municipal Parking Lot. Christian Allyn assisted Tom Zetterstrom with young elm pruning in the downtown, supported by Town Crew brush chipping.

We monitored tree health and implemented tree care programs, which included the re-mulching of the Heritage Elm on the Corner Green, and reinjection of Corner Green and West Main Heritage Elms to prevent Dutch elm disease. We provided deep root feeding and Bronze Birch Borer control on the multi-stem Birch near Roma Pizza. Wood chip mulch was generously provided by Jim Tallon of Tallon Lumber. Watering was implemented with the help of the Town Crew.

With a \$3600 America the Beautiful Federal matching grant administered through the CT DEEP, we were able to plant 17 trees on residential and commercial streets in the town core. Christian Allyn coordinated site approvals along Prospect and Bragg Streets and assisted with planting. Trees were also planted at the Douglas Library, the Canaan History Center at the former Roraback Law Office, the corner at St Joseph's Church, and the Town Hall. We also replaced the four conifers at the Dough Boy Memorial, with the volunteer planting assistance of Chris Crane's crew, and with support of Brian Ohler and Morris Spadaccini. These plantings significantly advance our ongoing objective to increase the percentage of tree canopy in the town center.

The Canaan Community Trust sponsored the planting of a Shagbark Hickory at Town Hall, to commemorate Wheaton Byers as a founding member to the CCT, and further to recognize his long service to the Town as Finance Chair.

NCBC organized the 25nd annual Arbor Day planting at North Canaan Elementary School, which was supported with a tree grant from The Canaan Foundation, with assistance from Chris Toomey and the Town Crew. With the help of Christian Allyn, Arbor Day was hosted by the fifth grade class and teachers, and attended by K-6. A Redbud tree was planted on Pease Street next to the Town Hall Parking lot. This brought to thirty-six the number of tree species in the NCES Children's Arboretum. All combined, we planted 19 trees in Canaan in 2014.

In the new recreational meadow west of Camp Brook, work was performed to control invasive plants and vines in order to protect the surrounding rows of mature Norway spruce.

We continued documentation of Canaan's Champion Trees, for future display.

Tom Zetterstrom, NCBC Tree Committee
Emily Minacci, Treasurer

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Building Official

The Building Office has seen a rise in commercial construction this year. The Mountainside project has been completed and the new Ex-care facility across the street is under construction. Minteq has started a new Electrical Building and Beckley house addition will also be finalized this fall.

The State Legislature has adopted a new code (2009 International Residential Code) effective February 28, 2014 with notable changes.

We continue with re-roofing projects, additions, new electrical services including Solar Systems, emergency generators, windows, siding and swimming pools.

A reminder that all pools that are 24 inches or more in depth, wood/pellet stoves or fireplace inserts also require a Building permit.

The Building office continues to work with homeowners and contractors on pulling permits for the safety of the homeowner and Town. If you hire a contractor, we will check that he or she has the required license and insurance.

The Town of North Canaan would also like to Thank and recognize Ernie Sinclair for his years of service to the Town. Ernie has retired as our Building Official as of July 1, 2014.

Number of Permits:	227
Permit fees:	\$80,663
Commercial Construction:	\$8,074,102
Total Construction:	\$11,450,545
New Homes:	

Respectfully submitted,
Francis Cardello, Jr.
Building Official

Housing Authority

The North Canaan Housing Authority owns and operates Wangum Village, a 40 unit elderly and disabled, low income housing project. The objective of Wangum Village is to provide safe affordable housing for people who are on a limited income and make it possible for them to live independently.

Each resident pays 30.5% of their income minus a utility allowance. The base rent for a single apartment is \$115.00 and a double is \$125.00. Wangum Village does not receive rental subsidy from HUD, the State of CT or the Town of North Canaan. The only rent we receive is what residents pay.

All of the apartments are on ground level. We have twelve (12) doubles, two of which are UFAS compliant, twenty-eight (28) singles, and a Recreation Hall. There is a laundry room, which has energy efficient washers and dryers. Each apartment has a kitchenette, living room, bedroom, and a bath.

This Fiscal Year we received \$161,737.00 in annual rental income, which averages to be \$337.00 monthly per unit. We also collected \$4,269.75 in other income which consists of laundry income, interest income and miscellaneous refunds received throughout the year. Our total expenses for the fiscal year equaled \$159,299.90.

This year six apartments were vacated, all have been filled by new tenants. We replaced four refrigerators and one stove. Six apartments were painted and other apartments had new light fixtures, faucets, doorbells and miscellaneous replacements.

We were awarded the 2011 Community Block Development Grant and construction has been completed. Our community hall was made UFAS accessible and expanded to accommodate all of our residents. We had a grand opening in October 2013. Residents have moved into the accessible units and are very happy with the results. The fire alarm and pull cord system have been upgraded and were brought up to code. The parking lot was repaved and made larger for tenant and visitor parking. The new post lights in the parking area are great and make people feel much more comfortable when having to walk out at night.

The Housing Authority has many committed employees working at Wangum Village. Ashleigh Bergenty has been our Executive Director for nine (9) years now. Steve Bergenty is in charge of all the outdoor maintenance, along with helper Jason Bergenty. Orville Humes has done an excellent job on indoor maintenance. Timothy Gomez does all of our painting. Brenda Phair cleans vacant units and Dorothy Farrell cleans our community hall. Deborah Borgert has done wonders with our gardens and has made everything look fantastic. Sadly Torrington Nutrition is no longer serving lunches in the community hall due to budget cuts.

We have been looking to fill one vacant seat on the board and we have now learned of someone that may be interested. Deborah Bergenty is our Chairman, Charles Humes is our Secretary, Helen McGuire is our Treasurer, and Joseph Howard is our Tenant Commissioner. The Board meets once a month to discuss any problems or plans that they have for Wangum. I wish to thank each of them for their cooperation over the past year. I could not have done it without them.

Office Hours are Monday through Friday from 9a.m. to Noon, phone: (860)824-0521, fax: (860)824-0521, e-mail: WangumVillage@yahoo.com. Main contact is Executive Director - Ashleigh Bergenty

Inland Wetlands Commission

During the year the Commission held five regularly scheduled meetings. Six applications were submitted for review. All six were approved.

The new wetlands map that was adopted on September 26, 2013 is displayed in the hallway at the Town Hall.

In addition, the Commission responded to numerous requests for information about wetland areas.

Respectfully submitted,
Barry Brown, Secretary

Planning and Zoning Commission

NO REPORT SUBMITTED. Contact Steven P. Allyn, Chairman for information.

Recreation Commission

Summer projects began with the installation of new windows and other improvements at the town pool house. Security cameras were also put in place for surveillance at the pool and tennis courts. The pool was filled by eleven fire companies who use this annual event as a training drill. Swimming lessons had an enrollment of 45 children and 26 children participated in Swim Team competitions. Weekly Water Aerobics classes averaged 15 in attendance. The pool was open June 21st through August 25th.

Adult volleyball continues to be offered every Tuesday year round, on the outside court in the summer and at the elementary school in the colder months. Other summer athletic venues maintained by the Recreation Commission include the tennis courts; batting cage and basketball hoops near the town pavilion. The development of a Disc Golf course along one of the existing Greenway paths was presented to the Commission and is in the beginning planning stages.

Maintenance of the athletic fields is an ongoing project. New clay was delivered for the Babe Ruth field this spring. Extensive work was done to all three in support of girls youth softball, at Segalla Field, adult softball at Lawrence field and boys youth summer league baseball at the Babe Ruth field. Adam continues to coordinate the work and upkeep of the fields. The Commission appreciates all the time and efforts of the Crane Family and other volunteers who help with this daunting task.

The fall season brings with it an abundance of soccer enthusiasts. Over 55 children attended Soccer Boot Camp in August. A grant from the Canaan Foundation supported this great program. All participants received shirts. The soccer program boasts an enrollment of nearly 100 youths 12 and under including a program for kindergarten students. Two team benches were purchased this year.

The pavilion was flooded for an ice rink again this winter. Weekly ski trips to Mohawk Mountain were coordinated in conjunction with the elementary school during the winter months. Transportation, chaperones, discount tickets, and scholarship funding were provided for many participants.

These sports programs would not be successful without the help and dedication of many parents and volunteers.

The commission sponsored a holiday decorating contest for residents and business owners. Gift cards were awarded to the winning entrants.

The 9th Annual Egg Hunt was held in April in conjunction with the CFC Ladies Auxiliary's 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast. This great community event attracted over 100 eager hunters. Goodie bags for all participants were distributed along with gift baskets for the grand prizes.

Adam continues to maintain and improve the North Canaan Recreation Commission website and Facebook page. The website has been updated and provides information about the Commission, a calendar of events, schedules and forms for Recreation Commission programs, as well as scores and updates. All sport registrations are now being done online. Look us up at northcanaanrecreation.com.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tammy MacDonald, Chairperson

Social Services Agent

Due to the continuing economic crisis we have been facing these last few years, requests for assistance have come in at an ever-increasing rate. In addition to physical and/or mental illness, loss of employment, death of a loved one, divorce, and other personal crises, residents have been confronting a tremendous rise in energy, housing and food costs which are anticipated to continue into the upcoming season. We experienced an extremely cold and long winter this past season. Through the Local Relief Fund and donations to the Community Network Fund, the Town of North Canaan provided 34 families with \$10,438.00 in fuel assistance and \$5,689.00 for other needs. Federal Fuel Assistance, NW Corner Fuel Bank and Operation Fuel assisted 138 families to purchase \$55,092.00 of heating fuel.

In addition to funding from the Town of North Canaan, funding and support have also been acquired through the generosity of various organizations, such as The Canaan Foundation, The Salvation Army, The Wellner Family Community Trust, The Berkshire Taconic Foundation, The Foundation for Community Health, Christ Episcopal Church, North Canaan Congregational Church, Canaan Northwest Lions Club, the, Salisbury Bank and Trust, St Joseph's Church, and donations from private individuals. These agencies contributed \$35,062.00 to Canaan residents to help them with rent and utility payments, prescription, dental and medical bills and financial support to people undergoing cancer treatments.

Through all these programs, we were able to help 212 families to receive \$104,282.98 in assistance. I continue to be amazed at the generosity of our neighbors.

The Christmas Gift Program was a huge success, helping over 60 families to provide gifts to 100 children at holiday time. The Social Services Office is so grateful to the Lions Club, Troop B, our local churches, Geer, Salisbury Bank & Trust, Becton-Dickenson, Stop & Shop, and the many private donors for their unflagging support of this program. Also, thanks go to The Daughters of Isabella and the ladies of St. Joseph's Church for the abundant and delicious meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas and the HVRHS chapter of FFA for the beautiful Christmas trees.

A large part of the social worker's job is making referrals to other agencies and sources of help. We have assisted clients in finding housing, meeting medical and prescription needs, accessing counseling for mental health needs, job searches, transportation, chore service needs, payment plans to avoid utility shut-offs, etc. The Social Worker's job is different every day and busy every minute of the day. It is also incredibly rewarding. I look forward to many years of service to my town.

Respectfully Submitted,
BJ Christinat
Social Worker

Streetscape Advisory Committee

As has been the case for several years now, the North Canaan Streetscape Advisory Committee's activities have been limited to general planning and maintenance, as well as providing targeted input to the Selectmen on specific projects and issues. This will presumably be the case until state and national sources of grant funding recover to pre-recession levels (if they ever do), at which time we will be able to turn our focus back to coordinated infrastructure upgrades such as sidewalk and street lighting work and the relocation of utility poles and wires off Canaan's downtown streets.

In last year's report I mentioned the Committee's work with Canaan Beautification to address the gradual loss of Canaan's largest street trees, and mentioned our hope that America the Beautiful or other third-party grant funds would make it possible to plant replacements for at least some of these aging giants. Primarily through the efforts of Tom Zetterstrom, a tree-planting grant was obtained during the year from America the Beautiful, permitting the planting by the Town crew under Tom's supervision, and with coordination by Christian Allyn, of 19 new trees at various sites in and around the Town center. Trees planted with earlier America the Beautiful grant funds in 1996, 1997 and 1999 along Route 44 from Stop & Shop to the Post Office and up Railroad Street as far as Pease Street, as well as the many other street trees planted in the intervening years, have contributed significantly to restoring and maintaining the stately, gracious and inviting look that once characterized so many of Canaan's business and residential streets. The additional plantings during this past year constitute another important step in Canaan's ongoing investment in the streetscapes we will leave for future generations of Canaan residents.

Other projects and concerns with which the Committee has been involved during the year include relocation of certain streetlights; written testimony before the state Public Utilities Regulatory Authority concerning CL&P's so-called "enhanced pruning" program; proposed regional town signage for the various highway entrances to the Town; anticipated work by the state and the Housatonic Railroad on the Roma Pizza railroad crossing, including integration with sidewalk construction and street lighting and installation of adequate under-track conduit for presently planned and possible future cabling needs; planning for a proposed disc golf course along the Greenway trail behind the Caddie Shack; and interfacing with the Housatonic Railroad to deal with its concerns about the Bradford pear trees and flower beds along the east side of Railroad Street.

Respectfully submitted,
Geoffrey Drury, Chairman

Canaan Child Care Center

Canaan Child Care Center's Mission Statement

The Canaan Child Care Center is a non-profit organization. We offer affordable, educationally based child care for children three to eleven years of age in a safe, structured, nurturing environment.

Our program is designed to enhance our children's social, emotional, physical and developmental growth, which fosters independence, creative thinking with memories that will last a lifetime.

The Canaan Child Care Center is a small, non-profit organization that began as a group of local families trying to find childcare for their children. In the early 80's we became a licensed daycare facility with a capacity for 8 toddlers and 17 preschool children. We also have before and after school programs, and a summer program. Over the years, our services have developed from babysitting to our current educationally based programs.

The Canaan Child Care Center is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing quality childcare programs at affordable prices. Currently we offer three programs: preschool, before school, and after school. We currently have 22 preschoolers and five before and after school children. We are a United Way Agency and these funds support our scholarship program to financially assist qualifying families. Our center is also a provider with Connecticut's Care 4 Kids program. We received a School Readiness Grant from the State five years ago which is used to assist 13 of our families pay for full time child care preparing the children for Kindergarten.

Our Intergenerational Program is like no other. The residents of Geer Nursing and Rehabilitation and Geer Adult Day Center and the children of the Canaan Child Care Center enjoy a special relationship. The goal is to provide an intergenerational program that provides activities or programs that increase cooperation, interaction or exchange between our preschoolers and the residents of Geer Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Geer Adult Day Center. They involve the sharing of skills, knowledge, or experience between old and young. The program connects persons of diverse ages; physical and cognitive abilities; and cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds to foster community, understanding, and a sense of well-being.

The second program that is very important to us is our visits to the public Library. The Staff at the Canaan Child Care Center are intentional teachers, they teach the children to look beyond available resources at the child care center for information on subjects that the children are most interested in learning about, resources that may not be available at our center.

While at the library, the children attend a weekly story hour along with children. The story hour is open to us as well as other children in the community.

PURPOSE

- Introduces children to quality literature in an entertaining and enriching atmosphere.
- Provides the child with an opportunity to learn new words, to be exposed to new concepts, and to interact with new friends in a group experience.

- Acquaints children with a wide range of library materials and resources, as well as encourages the development of a lifelong love of books and reading.

Our demographics in this area include many single-parent and low income families. Currently, these families make up the bulk of our client families. We have kept our rates among the lowest in our county and, with the help of the United Way, are able to offer a scholarship program to qualifying families. We also participate in Connecticut's Care 4 Kids childcare assistance program. Meeting the needs of the community is our number one priority.

The Canaan Child Care Center is accredited with the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). Another goal of this hard working center is to relocate/grow in order to accommodate families in Canaan and the surrounding towns who need quality, affordable care. Because of our accreditation, the Canaan Child Care receives a School Readiness grant that helps families pay for child care and Staff pay for college.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Chapell

Canaan Fire Company

The Canaan Fire Company is led by Chief, Lee Baldwin. He is supported by Deputy Chief Brian Allyn, Assistant Steve Kroehle, Captain Mike Foley, 1st LT Shanna Foley, and 2nd LT Ryan Foley, 3rd LT Doug Palmer, Fire Police Captain Tim Redlund and Fire Police LT Chris Wohlfert. Serving as executive officers of the corporation are, William Russ President, Jerry Callinan Vice-President, Robin Foley Treasurer and Maribeth Marchi Secretary. Members also serving on the Board of Directors are Leo Gustafson and Richard Weaver. The Canaan Fire Company is proud to have 11 junior members serving under the direction of Advisor Jerry Callinan. This program is currently thriving and we hope to see these members continue in the ranks to regular membership.

At the Annual Meeting of the Corporation, Richard Weaver was recognized for his 45 years of dedicated service to the Canaan Fire Company. Steve Kroehle, Dinnie Light and Craig Whiting were honored for 20 years of service, while Bobby Foley was honored for 15 years of service to the company. Ryan Foley was also recognized for 5 years of service. The Above & Beyond Program rewards the top three fire company members, one officer and one junior member who responded to the most calls during the year. The recipients for 2013 were Charlie Perotti (100 calls), Jerry Callinan (89 calls), and Cody Luminati (88 calls), Steve Kroehle (138 calls), and Junior Firefighter Alex Callinan. Each year the Annual Chief's award is presented to a member of the company for outstanding service to the organization, this year Mike Foley was presented with this award to recognize his efforts and dedicated service to the company.

The members of the Canaan Fire Company answered 164 calls during 2013. Not only are members responding to the scenes of incidents, volunteers are asked to attend training at least one night a week. In addition to keeping current with necessary training, members work actively to raise the money needed to cover our everyday operating expenses. Fundraisers include our annual dance, golf tournament, boot drives and our raffle.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have supported us, either by sending a donation, volunteering your time to assist with one of our many fundraising events or by making it possible for a volunteer to respond to a call during the work day. The support of the residents and business owners of North Canaan is what keeps us going!

Respectfully Submitted,
Maribeth Weaver
Secretary

Douglas Library

The Douglas Library is seeing a significant rise in circulation in computer usage and downloadable audios and eBooks. The library was given an anonymous gift of new computers, printers and a scanner which will be installed by Bibliomation staff.

The library has also applied for a State Library Grant, category 2, for distressed municipalities. With the state supplying 50% of the funding, we would be able to reroof the library, replace the worn and cracked flooring, and repair cracked walls and steps as well as purchase a free-standing fire proof book drop. (This purchase is necessary to be considered for the grant.) The library hopes to cover these expenses through fundraising and appeal requests.

We continue to offer diverse programming such as our weekly Scrabble night, monthly book discussion group, and children's and adults programs. We work closely with NCES to promote the summer reading program by providing books and incentives. Kristin McClune, an MLS student and librarian, has joined us to fill our Story Hour position.

The library staff and board continue to fundraise to cover our operating budget needs. Our ongoing book sales continue to raise money as well as our special events such as our holiday parties, plant sales and Railroad Days cocktail party. We are very grateful for the volunteers who pitch in and help with these events. Now more than ever, we are counting on the citizens of Canaan to help us by donating to our renovation project. We want to take care of structural problems and updates that are sorely needed and long overdue.

Although we are a small library, we continue to meet the needs of our community and are proud of the many new items and services we are able to offer our patrons.

Norma DeMay
Library Director

Douglas Library

Stock Report

Number of items in library July 1, 2013:	21,181
Number of items discarded this year: (Items lost: 34)	500
Total Number of items added this year: (Gifts and donations: 333)	800
Number of items in Library July 1, 2014:	21,497
Number of Books on Tape/CDs owned July 1, 2014:	822
Number of Videos/DVDs owned July 1, 2014:	1145

Circulation Report

Adult Fiction	5,818
Adult Non-Fiction (and periodicals)	3,409
Juvenile Fiction	3,010
Juvenile Non-Fiction	700
Overdrive Download eBooks & Audios	548
Music CDs	162
Books on Tape/CD borrowed:	961
Videos/DVDs Borrowed:	5,465
Paperbacks Borrowed	200
Books Lent on Connecticard	1,760
Inter-Library Loans Borrowed	1,735
Inter-Library Loans sent to other CT Libraries	2,442
Patron Computer Use	1,641

Library Membership

New Membership:	123
Actual Membership July 1, 2014	1,000
Number of Days Open:	195

Library Staff:
Norma DeMay, Library Director;
Assistant Librarians: Pam Farzan and Laura Moran.

Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society

The Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society has had a very busy year. Volunteers have been busy packing up the Society's museum located at the Falls Village Railroad Depot on Railroad St. in Falls Village, in anticipation of the installation of beautiful display cabinets from the Roosevelt Library Museum in Hyde Park, donated to us by McElroy Scenic Services.

After a successful fundraising campaign, where we met the challenge by an anonymous donor to match their \$10,000 matching grant, we decided it was the best time to do some much needed renovation work to the museum while it was all packed up. Work commenced on adding new doors, entry steps & overhang, removal of two windows, interior painting, and new flooring. Renovation work is expected to be complete over the summer of 2014, and then the Society will move the cabinets in place, and work on the installation of the displays. It is an exciting and challenging time for the Society and we welcome volunteer help from the community with this rewarding endeavor.

The Historical Society also received via the Town of Canaan a \$200,000 STEAP grant to do some much needed repairs at the South Canaan Meetinghouse. The focus will be on the steeple and structure support, with painting and handicap access to the building to be addressed if funding is available. The building committee has been busy getting the bid package out and work is scheduled to begin sometime this fall.

We continue to have a summer lecture series at the South Canaan Meetinghouse on Rte. 63. In 2013 it was decided to do the popular lectures at 7 PM, instead of 6, and only on the first Tuesday of the month. The new name became 1st Tuesday at 7, and we saw a substantial increase in attendance with a later start time. The lecture series is still free and open to the public, with donations greatly appreciated.

In September, we once again held the very popular Peddlers Flea Market at the South Canaan Meetinghouse. We were delighted with a record amount of vendors this past year. The event is a major fundraiser for the Historical Society and has been held at the Meetinghouse for at least 20 years.

We also had another successful Holiday Historic House Tour in December, showcasing some of the most historic and interesting homes in Falls Village. This, too, has become an important fundraising event for the Historical Society.

In May of 2014, the annual dinner and meeting was held. The Officers & Board members are: Judy Jacobs, President; Norma DeMay & Jeremy Dakin, Vice Presidents; Charles Lemmen, Treasurer; Cheryl Aeschliman, Recording Secretary; Lillian Lovitt, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Margaret Cortesi, Ian McCunn, Ashley DeMazza, Curators; Karl Munson, Kay Blass, Sylvia Wismar, Larry Bulson, Luke Miller, Mary Lu Sinclair, William Beebe, Tom Jaycox, Amber Cameron, Directors.

We are always happy to have volunteers help us with our events and projects. The Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society's web site is <http://www.fallsvillage-canaanhistoricalsociety.org/> and can also be found on Facebook.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Jacobs
President

Geer Adult Day Center

The Geer Adult Day Center is a small non-profit organization started in 1979 as part of the on-going services offered by Geer Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.

Our goal and mission has remained the same, to enhance the quality of life and maintain independence for our participants while supporting family efforts of keeping their loved ones at home and active within the community.

The Center is open to all adults who are in need of daytime supervision or socialization regardless of age, sex, race creed or religion. Our participants are individuals who are physically impaired, socially isolated or are limited in their ability to function independently within their communities or at home. The Center's program hours are Monday through Friday from 7 am to 3:30 pm.

The Geer Adult Day Center provides door-to-door transportation for the participants within a 25 mile radius. This service is provided to the towns of Cornwall, Falls Village, Canaan, Salisbury/Lakeville, Sharon, Goshen, Barkhamsted, Winsted, Norfolk, Colebrook, Torrington, Bantam, Litchfield, Warren, New Hartford, Kent and the neighboring towns in the states of New York and Massachusetts.

Our therapeutic programming includes music, exercise, arts & crafts, entertainers, activities that stimulate thinking and problem solving, community out trips, gardening and much more.

Our Center is a medical model which includes an on-site registered nurse during program hours to monitor general health needs. Individual care plans are developed. Blood Pressures, weights and glucose monitoring are recorded on a regular basis. Showers and personal care are also offered.

A continental breakfast, a hot lunch and snacks are provided according to nutritional needs and dietary restrictions.

- In addition, a Caregiver's Support Group is offered every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 1 pm.
- A Blood Pressure Clinic is open to the community Monday through Friday from 10 am to 2 pm.
- The Geer Adult Day Center also operates a Dial-a-Ride service providing transportation to individuals residing in the towns of Sharon, Canaan, Falls Village, Cornwall and Lakeville/Salisbury.

Transportation is available Monday through Saturday. Call 824-7067 for more information or to reserve a ride. There is no charge for this service. Donations are accepted. (24 hour notice is requested)

Housatonic River Commission

The Housatonic River Commission (HRC) held 11 regularly scheduled monthly meetings the past year. Meetings took place on the second Tuesday of each month at the Cornwall Consolidated School. The annual dues requested from each town remain at \$350 per year.

This year the River Commission continued the process of pursuing locally initiated National Wild and Scenic River Act designation for the Housatonic. This designation would provide an extra level of protection from the impacts of potentially harmful projects such as waterway alterations, energy developments, and federally funded road expansions. River Commissioners presented information to their respective town leaders and Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, and Sharon's Boards of Selectmen have submitted letters of support for the designation process to date. A public meeting was also held in May 2014 at the Housatonic Valley Regional High School where residents were able to voice their opinions on the topic and have questions answered by a panel of experts on Wild and Scenic River designation. The HRC will continue to work on this process, providing information on and gauging public support for designation.

Pursuant to its duty to recommend uniform locally adopted minimum standards for protection of the River Corridor, the Housatonic River Commission has recommended to each member town that it consider updates to its Housatonic River Overlay Zone (HROZ) regulation and mapping. In most towns these regulations were adopted in the late 1970's when there was so much less known about how to protect riparian buffers. This year the Town of Cornwall updated their HROZ regulation. We believe the regulation updates proposed by Cornwall would be a significant step up in protection for the River and have asked each member town to consider making similar regulation updates.

The Commission continues to monitor the PCB cleanup and remediation proposals for the Housatonic River. HRC members are regular attendees of the CCC public meetings in Massachusetts where information is shared and comments are received about the cleanup process. In June the EPA presented its plan for cleanup of the "Rest of River" (including all of Connecticut) at public meetings in Lenox, MA and Kent, CT. While the EPA's plan is not ideal (trying to balance the demands of many disparate interest groups) it does present progress to further clean up the River. We will be pushing to help ensure that the interests of towns and residents are duly represented, especially during this public comment period on the EPA's proposed plan.

As always, land use developments within the Housatonic River Corridor remain a major component of our efforts. During the year, the Commission provided comments and suggestions on several proposed projects along the River, and were pleased to see enforcement agencies have agreed to many recommendations to protect the Housatonic from poorly-designed projects that could negatively impact our valuable river resources. All towns are reminded to please be sure that the HRC is notified on any proposed project within the River Corridor.

We welcome all citizens to come to our meetings and get involved in discussions about the river. As always we are very grateful for the support we have received from the member towns, local zoning officials and the Northwestern CT Council of Governments.

Housatonic Youth Service Bureau

Established in 1991, the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau is a 501c3 nonprofit founded to respond to the needs of the children, youth and families living in the Region One School District. The towns we serve include North Canaan, Canaan, Salisbury/Lakeville, Sharon, Cornwall and Kent. Our focus is to provide a variety of service options that promote the overall health and wellbeing of children, youth and families living in our community.

Thanks to your ongoing support, we're able to provide a broad range of services that are free and without income restrictions, an approach that creates an open-door policy for North Canaan families to find support when they need it. We support youth up to age 21 and their family through individual and family clinical therapy, advocacy, prevention and referral services, enrichment programming, outreach and community events.

This year has been busy one for us. Over the last school year, we provided nearly 110 hours of free clinical counseling for 8 North Canaan families. Another 20 town families benefited from one or more of the various programs we offer. Also this year, through your generous support, we've been able to begin the process of renovating a new space on Housatonic Valley Regional High School campus. This new space will allow us to expand the services available to you; services like our no-cost counseling, the Youth in Philanthropy program, the HYSB Internship Project, our F.Y.I. family program, and lastly, the "Empowering Young Women" project and the annual Battle of the Bands competition.

All of our work would not be possible without your generous support. We remain deeply grateful to you for your continued fiscal support and look forward to working as partners to promote the overall health and wellbeing of North Canaan's children, youth and families.

Sincerely,
Nicholas Pohl, MSW
Executive Director

North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance

We have completed our first year as a paramedic service. We believe many patients have benefited from our immediate advanced level of care as a paramedic service. Our volunteer members and our paid staff cooperated into a great team of emergency care. With a total of 758 calls completed this year, our mission to give the highest level of emergency care in the field possible saves more lives each year.

We continue to fund raise with the sale of house number signs, which also help emergency services locate your house during an emergency. In July, we create a family breakfast for all our supports to enjoy and in the fall we have a lobster fund raiser and we join with the Canaan Fire Company to hold a joint golf tournament at the Canaan Country Club. Thank you to all that participant and support all our events.

We are always seeking new members. Whether you want to plunge into an EMR or EMT course or become a CPR certified driver, please speak with one of our current members on how to join and help our town have the best emergency service.

On behalf of our membership, thank you to Advanced Auto for their support by donating routine oil change and service to our vehicles. Thank you to Dave's Tire & Auto and Arnold's Garage for your quick service to our vehicles in their times of needed repairs.

We have a great membership working together to answer every call!

Respectfully Submitted,
Emily M. Minacci
Treasurer

Northwestern Hills Council of Governments

The Northwestern CT Council of Governments and the Litchfield Hills Council of Elected Officials merged this year to form a new 21-town “Northwest Hills Council of Governments” (COG). A new webpage was created this year (www.northwesthillscog.org) with more information on COG activities, planning related data, and resources for all member towns.

The COG board consists of the Mayors and First Selectmen from the 21 member towns. The group meets on a monthly basis to discuss issues in municipal management, oversee existing COG programs, and explore new opportunities for regional cooperation to enhance local government efficiency. Member towns include Barkhamsted, Burlington, Canaan (Falls Village), Colebrook, Cornwall, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Kent, Litchfield, Morris, New Hartford, Norfolk, North Canaan, Roxbury, Salisbury, Sharon, Torrington, Warren, Washington, and Winchester.

The COG’s work program includes activities in both regional planning and regional service delivery. Regional planning activities this year have focused on developing a regional plan of conservation and development, a regional transportation plan, a regional infrastructure plan, natural hazard mitigation plans, emergency management planning, and village center revitalization.

The COG also coordinates a number of popular regional service delivery programs including household hazardous waste collection days, a prescription assistance program, a fuel bank program, the Litchfield Hills Public Works Equipment Cooperative, and the region’s cooperative purchasing program. The COG also provides assistance to a number of organizations in the region including the Northwest CT Economic Development Corporation, Regional Housing Council, Road Supervisors Association, Public Safety Task Force, Recycling Advisory Committee, Housatonic River Commission, Regional Planning Collaborative, and Torrington Facade Improvement Committee. This year the COG established a quarterly “5th Thursday” meeting schedule to provide a forum for area Planning and Zoning Commissions to meet and discuss items of mutual interest, hear guest speakers, and provide input on regional plans.

A variety of issues of regional significance were discussed at the monthly meetings of the COG this year including energy savings programs, pavement management, state legislation, and the need for a centralized transit facility for the Northwestern CT Transit District. In addition to the COG’s regular monthly meetings, a special meeting of the COG was held to discuss legislative priorities with local legislators.

The COG responded to numerous requests for demographic, economic, and housing data. The COG also reviewed and commented on several referrals of proposed zoning changes, town plan updates, or development proposals near municipal borders this fiscal year, as required by state statute.

The COG, in conjunction with the NWCT Economic Development Corporation and the NWCT Chamber of Commerce, also helped coordinate an update of the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy which was approved by the federal Economic Development Administration this year.

Serving as officers this fiscal year were Barkhamsted First Selectman Donald Stein as Chairman; Canaan First Selectman Patricia Mechare as Vice Chairman; Kent First Selectman Bruce Adams as Treasurer; and Norfolk First Selectman Susan Dyer as Secretary.

The COG is in the process of establishing new offices at the Village Market Place in Goshen Center. The staff of four consists of Darlene Krukar, Office Manager; Lois Pinney, Financial Manager; Jocelyn Ayer, Community and Economic Development Director; and Rick Lynn, Executive Director.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Lynn, AICP
Executive Director

Northwest Conservation District

The Northwest Conservation District (NCD) is a local environmental non-profit organization serving 34 municipalities in northwestern Connecticut. Our mission is to promote the conservation and wise use of natural resources through education and technical assistance services.

TECHNICAL SERVICES AND PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION

We continue to help our towns' land use commissions and staff with site development reviews covering hundreds of acres of land, ranging from agricultural and residential to commercial and urban settings. Each time we review and make recommendations on any proposed land use change, we balance development with protection of water and other sensitive natural resources. We provide practical science based solutions, using the latest technologies such as Low Impact Development (LID), to ensure that projects work with the landscape instead of against it. The need for the expertise of our licensed professional staff in controlling erosion and managing storm water run-off continues to grow due to more frequent and intense storms events. We provide field inspections and consultation to local citizens seeking environmental information, referrals or technical assistance in areas ranging from pond health to eradicating invasive vegetation. Our unique depth of expertise continues to serve local residents well in resolving many environmental problems. Our GIS Center provides many field surveys, maps and reports to support the acquisition of open space or solve environmental issues. Our GPS capacities are applied to trail mapping, wetlands projects, school improvement projects and asset management as well.

Our projects this year included 4 rains gardens constructed in Watertown, Thomaston and Torrington for water quality and storm water management. In a long term collaboration with the City of Torrington and the CT DEEP, a porous pavement municipal parking lot was completed; a project planned and designed to effectively stop longtime erosion into a nearby tributary of the Naugatuck River. We partnered with the newly created Northwest Hills COG to provide LID training for land use commission members and staff and are continuing to help Housatonic River corridor towns with river protection planning. We continue to expand the area and quality of wildlife habitat at Native Meadows Preserve on the Housatonic River in New Milford and partner with the regional NRCS in providing soil and water quality protection assistance to the agricultural community in the 34 towns that we serve.

EDUCATION AT AN EARLY AGE LEADS TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN THE FUTURE

Our support for the CT Envirothon Program provides hands-on science for high school aged students. This year, as part of this natural resource based curriculum and field day completion, each team explored sustainable agriculture. The statewide Field Day competition held at the Tolland County Agricultural Center saw local schools, Housatonic Valley High and Litchfield High, dominate the top scoring teams. Other local schools included Gilbert Academy, Hotchkiss, Marvelwood, Nonnewaug and Wamogo. Visit www.ctenvirothon.org for more info.

EARTH DAY PLANT SALE, FISH AND PONDS

This year marked the 32nd Anniversary of our Annual Earth Day Plant Sale. Thanks to the efforts of many loyal and energetic volunteers, our three day event at the Goshen Fairgrounds continues to result in thousands of native shrubs, trees, edibles and perennials planted every year. Our wide selection of plants is chosen to provide habitat for native creatures including pollinators, butterflies and birds, to create and enhance streamside buffers for water quality protection and to improve our overall quality of life in an

environmentally appropriate fashion. We continue our bi-annual Trout Stocking Programs for the renewal of aquatic resources in local ponds and streams.

OUR OUTREACH AND WEBSITE

The District publishes the “Voice of Conservation” newsletter bi-annually and is working to increase our capacity to communicate with our members electronically and through our website, www.conservect.org/northwest, thus further conserving natural resources.

THANKS TO YOU!

The Northwest Conservation District is very grateful for the ongoing support and partnership of the municipalities we serve and the generous contributions of local individuals, our funders and many faithful volunteers.

Torrington Area Health District

The TAHD served over 137, 000 people in twenty boroughs, cities and towns covering 611 square miles. Robert Rubbo completed his first year as Director of Health.

The TAHD **Community Health Program** investigated the following communicable diseases: **13** Campylobacteriosis, **16** Salmonellosis and **14** Giardiasis. TAHD nurses use MAVEN, a secure electronic surveillance system that allows better collaboration with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) and Foodborne Diseases Centers for Outbreak Response Enhancement (FoodCORE). TAHD nurses provided case management on 1 case of tuberculosis and 1 case of latent tuberculosis infection. TAHD provided guidance to school nurses, daycares and community members on a variety of health issues. TAHD held **10** seasonal flu and pneumonia clinics where TAHD nurses administered **700** doses of flu vaccine, and **19** doses of pneumonia vaccine to local residents. **52** raccoons, bats, and other animals were submitted to the State Lab for Rabies testing. Guidance on post exposure prophylaxis was provided. Ticks brought in by **104** residents were sent to the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station to determine if they were positive for Lyme disease bacteria.

The TAHD **Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program** ensured that follow up care was provided for more than 64 children with elevated blood lead screening levels (EBLLs). TAHD staff use MAVEN, the secure electronic data system for both the medical and environmental data related to children with EBLLs. Again this allows for increased collaboration with the State of Connecticut department of public Health. TAHD also collaborated with the **Lead Action Medicaid Participants (LAMPP) Program** to assist property owners with lead abatement of their properties. 2 Properties with outstanding orders completed lead abatement. Sanitarians and nurses did 2 partial lead inspections to comply with State mandates. Abatement orders were issued for 3 properties. Educational sessions were held for area physicians and local child and family programs. Educational packets were distributed to group daycares. TAHD **Healthy Homes Program** conducted a total of **20** home inspections (10 initial and 10 follow-up). Healthy Homes Presentations were provided to 2 community groups.

The TAHD **Immunization Action Program** (IAP) works with local providers to ensure compliance with immunization laws among the pre-school population. TAHD IAP promotes the use of the on-line secure immunization registry (MAVEN) with providers. In addition, the TAH IAP enters data (immunization histories for 4 practices and searches for children who have left the pediatrician of record) into MAVEN. 8 Practice site reviews were completed (to review and account for federal vaccine provided to practices).

The TAHD **Emergency Preparedness Program** worked with community partners and focused on mass care, medical surge, and volunteer management. TAHD participated in two statewide drills (mass distribution and regional sheltering) and one local drill (mass distribution). TAHD partnered with Charlotte Hungerford Hospital to provide an educational seminar on “Community Planning” for local public safety officials. TAHD has provided point of dispensing training to 5 local Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT). Food Service training for local shelter volunteers was provided to one CERT team. Communication drills were conducted throughout the year with staff, volunteers, and community partners.

The **TAHD-Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Program** MRC taught 14 communities CPR instruction and trained approximately 250 people. TAHD MRC co-sponsored a regional Farm Medic Training and a Swift Water Rescue class in the summer of 2013. TAHD MRC provided firefighter rehab in two training situations (July 2013, and March 2014). Local MRC volunteers, in cooperation with State Police Cadets, and AmeriCorps volunteers provided 2 train the trainer classes in the MRC * B * FIT & MRC * B * READY school age preparedness and nutrition education programs. Volunteers delivered 9 presentations (450 children). In the summer of 2013, TAHD MRC members worked with AmeriCorps to remediate trails which linked to the Appalachian Trail. One trail was used by first responders for 2 successful rescues along the Appalachian Trail in 2013 & 2014. MRC hosted an AmeriCorps team for 3 weeks this summer.

The TAHD completed year 3 as the fiduciary agent for the **Community Transformation Grant (CTG) Program** for Litchfield County. This was supposed to be a 5 year grant but the funds have been discontinued by the CDC. Our coalition developed a Tobacco-Free Parks toolkit. It was distributed to all 26 municipalities in Litchfield County. 5 towns passed tobacco-free policies that ban smoking in outdoor parks, spaces and/or workplaces selected by each town. 90 outdoor “No Smoking” aluminum signs were posted in these towns. A Tobacco-Free Workplace toolkit was also developed. TAHD is working with Charlotte Hungerford Hospital and the NW CT Chamber of Commerce to distribute these kits. A school wellness policy was adopted by one school district and is being considered by a second.

The TAHD continued its partnering with Phoenix Labs for its **Water Testing Program**. Phoenix Labs is a full service lab located in Manchester, Connecticut that offers a wide range of testing of drinking water, wastewater, groundwater/landfills, storm water, soil and more. The TAHD continues to collect samples when requested, and offers free technical advice on any water testing results.

TAHD Environmental Health Program resulted in the following inspections/licenses/permits: **1885** food inspections, **683** temporary food permits, **79** new septic systems, **155** repaired septic systems, **149** private well permits, **91** private pool permits, **150** beauty salons & barber shops inspections, **587** house addition permits, **225** soil tests, **28** subdivision lots, **70** public pools and beaches were inspected, and **32** daycare centers inspected. Records show that **1264** samples were submitted to the state lab for testing of drinking water, beach and pool water, lead in water and paint, asbestos, food, sewage and volatile organic compounds and pesticides in water. Sanitarians investigated **419** complaints of various public health concerns; **26** legal orders/voluntary compliances were issued for enforcement purposes.

Robert Rubbo, MPH, Director of Health

VNA Northwest, Inc.

VNA Northwest, Inc. provided a variety of health care services to North Canaan residents during the past year, including:

- **515 skilled nursing** visits
- **198 physical therapy** calls
- **415 home health aide** service hours
- A six-session **Bend & Stretch Clinic**

Blood pressure clinics were offered at Beckley House, Stop & Shop, and Wangum Village. These sessions have been found to be invaluable in early detection of a wide range of health problems.

Full Report of Services:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Town or Grant Paid Service</u>	<u>Service Paid By Other Payor</u>
Blood Pressure Screening Clinic		30 hours
Flu Clinic		
Nursing:		
Adult Health Guidance		160 visits
Skilled Nursing		515 visits
Physical Therapy		198 visits
Medical Social Worker		9 visits
Occupational Therapy		61 visits
Home Health Aide		415 visits
Bend & Stretch		\$750.00

Women's Support Services, Inc.

Women's Support Services, Inc. (WSS), a non-profit organization, provides free and confidential services to those affected by domestic violence and abuse in the towns of Canaan, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon and surrounding areas. We provide crisis intervention and client centered services as well as violence prevention education. These services include a 24-hour confidential hotline, short-term emergency shelter, referral to long-term shelter, individual counseling and safety planning, support groups for women and children, legal advocacy, transportation, information and referral. WSS staff is available to accompany persons to court, assist in obtaining financial assistance, housing, employment, clothing, daycare and other needs. In addition to providing direct services for victims of abuse, WSS is committed to violence prevention education and continues to offer free programs in the schools and communities we serve.

From July 2013 through June 2014, WSS worked with 671 individuals (615 adults and 56 children), responded to 462 crisis contacts (phone calls and walk-ins) and provided 333 individual counseling sessions for persons in our service area. In addition, staff offered 943 counseling and supportive contacts to adults and children. WSS provided short term shelter to 13 individuals. During that period, 44 individuals (adults and children) attended support group sessions totaling 394 contacts. WSS also provided clients with 466 units of information and referrals. Our community educator and staff were active in the schools and with community groups, reaching 8,063 participants through presentations and public awareness activities and events. Through our car donation program, we were able to transfer ownership of 2 cars to local residents in need.

Our Board of Directors continues to explore ways to help our clients. Ongoing fundraising efforts support our Client Emergency Fund which was created to help individuals with a variety of critical financial needs. These efforts have also led to the creation of a Legal Fund, to help clients access and pay for necessary legal costs and a Housing Fund, to help clients obtain safe and affordable housing. Our strategic planning committee continues to work on ways to address our client's needs. WSS provides ongoing violence prevention education throughout the Region #1 School District. Topics such as cyberbullying, bullying, healthy relationships, teen dating violence, self esteem, and others, have been well received in local schools. All curriculums are age appropriate and are available for children in pre-K through 12th grade. WSS is also active in the community hosting a variety of public awareness events and campaigns. Community collaborations and partnerships are developed and existing relationships are strengthened in order to better serve the community. In addition, support and advocacy is provided to local victims of domestic violence at the Bantam Criminal Court in Bantam, CT.

WSS receives approximately 40 percent of its funding from town, state and federal grants. Our active Board of Directors, staff and volunteers work to raise the remaining funds necessary to assure that the needs of victims of domestic violence and abuse in our communities are met effectively. This joint partnership of public and private support has enabled WSS to meet these needs locally- 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for the past 33 years.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lori A. Rivenburgh, M.A.
Executive Director

**Report of the Auditor
2013 – 2014**

Michael A. Zemaitis, CPA

The complete Audit Report is available online or at the Town Clerk's office.

Town of North Canaan, Connecticut

Schedule of Revenues and Other Financing Sources - Budgetary Basis

Budget and Actual - General Fund

For the year ended June 30, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
Revenues:				
Current property taxes	\$ 7,756,214	\$ 7,756,214	\$ 7,614,405	\$ (141,809)
Back property taxes	115,500	115,500	170,976	55,476
Interest and lien fees	95,000	95,000	101,888	6,888
Water assessments	4,500	4,500	1,134	(3,366)
Government grants:				
Education cost sharing	2,091,544	2,091,544	2,088,113	(3,431)
Education transportation	32,791	32,791	31,835	(956)
Tax relief for elderly and disabled	29,804	29,804	28,854	(950)
Municipal grant-in-aid	338,315	338,315	338,315	-
LOCIP	29,508	29,508	-	(29,508)
Mashantucket Pequot fund	27,140	27,140	27,007	(133)
Other grants	601	601	2,031	1,430
State owned property (PILOT)	22,769	22,769	21,777	(992)
Total government grants	2,572,472	2,572,472	2,537,932	(34,540)
Investment income	5,000	5,000	2,944	(2,056)
Departmental:				
Real estate conveyance tax	20,000	20,000	14,040	(5,960)
Housing authority	6,800	6,800	6,735	(65)
Probate	3,600	3,600	3,600	-
Building permits	28,000	28,000	91,412	63,412
Licenses and permits	5,000	5,000	4,260	(740)
Landfill permits and fees	27,000	27,000	34,633	7,633
Total departmental	90,400	90,400	154,680	64,280
Other revenues:				
Miscellaneous other	40,000	40,000	16,310	(23,690)
Telecommunications tax	15,300	15,300	14,576	(724)
Total other revenues	55,300	55,300	30,886	(24,414)
Total revenues	10,694,386	10,694,386	10,614,845	(79,541)
Other financing sources:				
Use of fund surpluses	80,639	80,639	-	(80,639)
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u>\$ 10,775,025</u>	<u>\$ 10,775,025</u>	<u>\$ 10,614,845</u>	<u>\$ (160,180)</u>

Town of North Canaan, Connecticut

Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses - Budgetary Basis Budget and Actual - General Fund

For the year ended June 30, 2014

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final	Actual	
Expenditures:				
General government:				
Selectmen	\$ 96,964	\$ 98,014	\$ 97,737	\$ 277
Probate court	2,504	2,504	2,504	-
Elections	11,700	11,700	8,382	3,318
Board of finance	1,100	1,100	783	317
Audit and Accounting	20,100	20,100	19,380	720
Assessors	61,943	61,943	60,385	1,558
Board of assessment review	500	500	121	379
Tax collector	35,541	35,541	32,729	2,812
Town treasurer	20,500	20,500	19,774	726
Town counsel	7,000	8,650	8,650	-
Town clerk	34,800	34,800	30,743	4,057
Tax refunds	5,000	6,200	6,187	13
Town Hall	49,879	59,529	53,576	5,953
Insurance	130,200	108,640	106,653	1,987
Payroll taxes	41,135	38,885	35,464	3,421
Employee benefits	264,053	264,053	256,776	7,277
Employee retirement	20,609	20,609	20,609	-
Computer services	12,050	12,050	11,824	226
Wetlands, travel and misc	500	500	752	(252)
Planning and zoning	12,400	12,400	12,839	(439)
Beautification committee	1,500	1,500	1,208	292
Council of governments	11,510	11,510	9,170	2,340
Contingency	7,000	830	-	830
Total general government	848,488	832,058	796,246	35,812
Public safety:				
Fire protection	71,000	71,000	69,503	1,497
Crossing guards	3,076	3,076	3,000	76
Fire marshal	20,000	20,000	18,197	1,803
Police protection - resident trooper	85,142	88,042	87,357	685
Building inspector	47,647	53,007	52,992	15
Animal control	7,000	7,000	7,000	-
Traffic lights	600	600	299	301
Fire hydrants	22,690	24,690	24,663	27
Homeland security	4,000	4,000	1,691	2,309
Emergency medical dispatch	35,856	35,856	35,843	13
Total public safety	297,011	307,271	300,545	6,726

Town of North Canaan, Connecticut

Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses - Budgetary Basis

Budget and Actual - General Fund (Continued)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With
	Original	Final		Final Budget
				Positive
				(Negative)
Public works:				
Town garage	30,380	38,380	36,680	1,700
Road and bridge maintenance	49,500	41,500	35,098	6,402
Winter road maintenance	57,700	95,700	92,578	3,122
Equipment repair	25,000	25,000	25,250	(250)
Street lighting	8,500	8,500	8,025	475
Tree removal	4,000	15,100	15,093	7
Municipal parking	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Fuel	33,000	33,000	31,612	1,388
Equipment replacement	5,000	5,000	4,300	700
Wages	171,200	166,200	165,942	258
Total public works	385,280	429,380	414,578	14,802
Health and welfare:				
Housing authority	5,000	5,000	3,393	1,607
Conservation district	1,150	1,150	1,150	-
Housatonic river commission	350	350	350	-
Northwestern transit district	1,193	1,193	1,193	-
Health district	19,417	19,417	19,417	-
Visiting nurse association	15,000	15,000	4,555	10,445
Vital statistics	60	60	44	16
Mental health center	3,000	3,000	-	3,000
Ambulance service	11,250	11,250	11,250	-
Canaan child care	8,500	8,500	8,500	-
Local relief	9,500	9,500	9,325	175
Adult daycare	37,000	37,000	35,000	2,000
Social worker	20,000	20,000	19,908	92
Youth service center	10,727	10,727	10,727	-
Women emergency services	1,500	1,500	1,500	-
Discretionary fund	6,600	6,600	6,256	344
Total health and welfare	150,247	150,247	132,568	17,679
Culture and recreation:				
Douglas library	73,440	73,440	73,440	-
Railroad days	9,000	9,000	8,785	215
Town historian	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Historical society	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Roraback building	15,000	15,000	14,458	542
Memorial day	1,000	1,000	961	39
Town recreation	71,750	71,750	70,934	816
Little league	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Youth basketball	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Youth soccer	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
AHA program	8,000	8,000	8,000	-
Foss Webb building	3,000	6,000	5,958	42
Total culture and recreation	186,190	189,190	187,536	1,654

Town of North Canaan, Connecticut
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses - Budgetary Basis
Budget and Actual - General Fund (Continued)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Sanitation:				
Recycling	20,000	20,000	18,921	1,079
Transfer station operations	16,500	16,500	17,239	(739)
Transfer station wages	55,000	55,000	55,270	(270)
Well monitoring	8,060	8,060	8,423	(363)
Hazardous waste removal	700	700	1,024	(324)
Landfill tipping fee - residential	75,000	62,000	55,474	6,526
Landfill tipping fee - nonresidential	123,000	92,000	91,648	352
Bulky waste removal	45,000	45,000	44,617	383
Hauling costs	30,000	26,900	24,733	2,167
Total sanitation	<u>373,260</u>	<u>326,160</u>	<u>317,349</u>	<u>8,811</u>
Education:				
Salaries and wages	2,648,922	2,648,922	2,631,585	17,337
Employee benefits	594,074	594,074	560,223	33,851
Program purchased services	53,193	53,193	56,160	(2,967)
Property services	167,856	167,856	169,514	(1,658)
Other services	340,883	340,883	341,171	(288)
Supplies and materials	216,590	216,590	248,052	(31,462)
Equipment	31,900	31,900	53,473	(21,573)
Region #1 tuition	4,209,232	4,209,232	4,079,218	130,014
Total education	<u>8,262,650</u>	<u>8,262,650</u>	<u>8,139,396</u>	<u>123,254</u>
Debt service:				
Principal retirements	132,787	136,737	134,791	1,946
Interest payments	24,112	26,332	21,061	5,271
Total debt service	<u>156,899</u>	<u>163,069</u>	<u>155,852</u>	<u>7,217</u>
Capital outlay	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>1,437</u>	<u>8,563</u>
Total expenditures	<u>10,670,025</u>	<u>10,670,025</u>	<u>10,445,507</u>	<u>224,518</u>
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out:				
Capital nonrecurring fund:				
Fire equipment	45,000	45,000	45,000	-
Town equipment	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Ambulance equipment	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Reappraisal	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Town hall	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Swimming pool	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
Emmons Lane Bridge fund	-	-	374	(374)
Tobey Hill Bridge fund	-	-	291	(291)
Total other financing uses	<u>105,000</u>	<u>105,000</u>	<u>105,665</u>	<u>(665)</u>
Total expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 10,775,025</u>	<u>\$ 10,775,025</u>	<u>\$ 10,551,172</u>	<u>\$ 223,853</u>

Town of North Canaan, Connecticut

Report of the Tax Collector

For the year ended June 30, 2014

Grand List October 1,	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2013	Current Levy	Lawful Corrections		Net Amount Collectible	Collections			Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2014
			Additions	Deductions		Taxes	Interest and Liens	Total	
2012	\$ -	\$ 7,904,992	\$ 13,232	\$ 55,054	\$ 7,863,170	\$ 7,638,367	\$ 27,809	\$ 7,666,176	\$ 224,803
2011	175,582			336	175,246	79,090	20,650	99,740	96,156
2010	88,203			198	88,005	40,526	14,557	55,083	47,479
2009	51,224				51,224	21,804	9,533	31,337	29,420
2008	34,688		36		34,724	9,972	3,618	13,590	24,752
2007	29,083				29,083	4,103	4,117	8,220	24,980
2006	20,688				20,688	3,875	4,136	8,011	16,813
2005	17,594				17,594	3,727	4,595	8,322	13,867
2004	16,809				16,809	2,854	4,155	7,009	13,955
2003	10,216				10,216	2,578	141	2,719	7,638
2002	10,544				10,544	2,555	4,705	7,260	7,989
2001	7,050		3		7,053			-	7,053
2000	9,602				9,602			-	9,602
1999	9,818				9,818			-	9,818
1998	9,755				9,755			-	9,755
1997	7,386			7,386	-			-	-
	<u>\$ 498,242</u>	<u>\$ 7,904,992</u>	<u>\$ 13,271</u>	<u>\$ 62,974</u>	<u>\$ 8,353,531</u>	<u>\$ 7,809,451</u>	<u>\$ 98,016</u>	<u>\$ 7,907,467</u>	<u>\$ 544,080</u>