

TOWN COUNCIL WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

August 11, 2016

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Tuesday, August 16th, Town Council, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall Annex, CR1
- Thursday, August 18th, Permanent School Building Committee, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall Annex, CR2

GROTON SAILING PROGRAM

Human Services' Groton Sailing Program, which provides at-risk Groton youth ages 9-17 with sailing adventures and opportunities to develop self-confidence and team-building skills, is nearing the end of its eight week summer session. Thirty-one youths have learned navigation and sailing techniques and have been exposed to the challenges of maneuvering a sailboat in the busy waters of the Thames River and Fishers Island Sound. The Groton Sailing Program is part of SeaLegs, Inc., operated by Captain Richard Lathrop, Ph.D., who supplies the sailboats and the instruction in basic sailing techniques. Also accompanying the young sailors on their trips are some community volunteers and two counseling staff members from Human Services. For the purposes of picking up and dropping off participating youth, the program's sailboat shares a State-owned dock in Groton with the new Thames River Water Taxi.

Among other activities this summer, the youth have enjoyed day trips to Fishers Island, sailing one way and then switching with another youth who has taken the Fishers Island Ferry to the island to then sail back to Groton. While on the Fishers Island Ferry, the ferry captain and crew have given the youth tours of the wheelhouse and also detailed the ferry's history of service to Fishers Island. The Fishers Island Ferry District provided free passage to the young sailors for this unique adventure. Many of the youth involved in the program have never previously been on a sailboat and enter the program with no concept of the geography of the Thames River and how the river connects to Long Island Sound and ultimately, the Atlantic Ocean. At the summer's conclusion, the new sailors will have a better understanding of the Thames River coastline, the maritime history of Southeastern Connecticut, an appreciation for the rigors of handling a boat under sail and have learned communication and teamwork skills that will help them in school and everyday life.

SALE OF 157 GROVE AVENUE

The Town is currently seeking bids for the sale of town-owned real estate located at 157 Grove Avenue. This is a single family home located in the West Pleasant Valley Fire District. The property will be available for inspection by potential bidders on August 18th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bids will be accepted by the Purchasing Agent, John Piacenza, until 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 25th.

A letter and related information (Attachment 1) was mailed to all abutting taxpayers, Hope Inc., Habitat for Humanity, Eastern Connecticut Housing Opportunity Inc., contractors and others that had previously expressed interest in this property. The complete bid package and additional pictures of the property are available at <http://www.groton-ct.gov/depts/finance/bid.asp>.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Attachment 2 is a memorandum and Press Release from the Office of Planning and Development Services for residential and business surveys being conducted by GreatBlue Research.
2. Attachment 3 is a flyer from the Connecticut Submarine Century for the Groton Sub Box Derby being held on September 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Washington Park. Registration is \$30.00. For rules and registration please visit <https://www.facebook.com/grotonsoapboxderby/#>.

MONTHLY MANAGEMENT REPORTS

1. Library (July):

- Sunday Library hours have been restored for FYE 2017 due to funding provided by the Power of Together.
- The Library sponsored StoryWalk featuring Super Submarines in place at Poquonnock Plains Park throughout the month of July.
- Ninety-nine passport applications were processed during the Passport Day event at the Library on July 23rd.
- Pokémon Go players have been welcomed by the Library with the Library listed as a Pokéstop.
- The bid for the Library renovation project was awarded and the contractor is completing the required paperwork.

- Plans are moving forward to choose an exterior book drop and placement that meets the Library's needs.
- Kara Berglund has been hired as a Library Assistant in the Circulation Division and will begin employment on August 22nd.

2. Parks and Recreation (July):

- The Director attended a meeting with Groton Utilities to secure sponsorship for the cancelled pre-fireworks celebration.
- The Director met with the coordinator of the Groton Community Gardens to discuss mowing of fields within the park.
- The Director attended weekly meetings with division supervisors and biweekly and monthly meetings with department staff.
- Marketing staff completed the all new September/October issue of the Groton Senior Center newsletter.
- Joan Smith and Sidney van Zandt from Groton Open Space Association led 6-7 year old campers and camp counselors from the William Seely Summer Camp on a tour of Haley Farm State Park.
- The Groton Senior Center provides weekly transportation to the Ledge Light Health District Farmers Market in Groton City.
- 364 rides were provided to seniors in the month of July.
- Parks staff mowed the events field at Copp property, cut back brush along the trails at Pequot Woods and continued to prep the site for replacement of the Woods Walk playground.
- Shennecossett Golf Course hosted the CT PGA Senior Open, the Caddy Reunion Tournament and the UConn Avery Point Baseball tournament.

Attachments

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TOWN OF GROTON

FINANCE DEPARTMENT PURCHASING

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August 8, 2016

Re: Property ID No: 168910459100
Property Address: 157 Grove Avenue

To Potential Interested Parties:

The Town of Groton has acquired the above referenced property by way of foreclosure of certain tax liens in the New London Superior Court and is interested in selling the property.

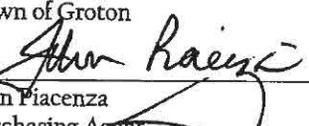
The Town of Groton invites bids for the purchase of the subject property. Additional information regarding the property is available on the Town of Groton's website (www.groton-ct.gov) located in Quick Links.

To qualify for consideration in purchasing the subject property, please send the Purchasing Agent your written, sealed bid and a deposit of ten percent (10%) of the entire bid amount no later than 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 25, 2016. Bids should be sent to: Town of Groton, 45 Fort Hill Road, Groton, CT 06340, Attn: John Piacenza and should be clearly marked "Land Parcel Bid" and reference bid #17-01. The deposit is to be tendered by way of cashier's check or money order and is to be made payable to the "Town of Groton". Any bids received after the date and time listed above will be rejected. Once bids are received by the Town of Groton on or before the required date, they cannot be retracted. If you have questions pertaining to the above listed property please put your questions in writing and email them to the Purchasing Agent (jpiacenza@groton-ct.gov). No phone calls will be accepted. The property will be available for viewing on Thursday, August 18, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

All bid responses for the above property will remain sealed until 2:30 p.m., August 25, 2016, at which time the Town of Groton will open, record and review them. The Town of Groton will notify each bidder, within thirty (30) business days, by mail of acceptance or rejection of any and all bids received and for any and all reasons. The acceptance or rejection of any bid is within the sole and absolute discretion of the Town of Groton.

This notification is being sent to various individuals who have expressed an interest in properties for sale by the Town or in this particular property as well as to all adjacent property owners.

Town of Groton

By: 
John Piacenza
Purchasing Agent

Town of Groton



157 GROVE AVE



Disclaimer:

The climatic and topographic information depicted on this map was compiled by The Searles Map Company based on an aerial photograph performed in April 2006. The parcel and property line information is derived from the most current available recorded deeds, maps, assessor records, and other sources of information in the Town of Groton. The intent of this map is to depict a graphical representation of real property information for informational purposes only. The information is subject to change and is not a guarantee of accuracy. The Town of Groton and the mapping companies assume no legal responsibility for the information contained in this data. THIS MAP IS NOT TO BE USED FOR THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY.

Horizontal Datum:
Connecticut State Plane Coordinate, North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83 Feet).

Vertical Datum:
North American Vertical Datum of 1985 (NAVD85).

Map Scale: 1" = 69 ft.

Date: 7/28/2016



Commercial Property Card

Print Date: 7/26/2016

Card 1 Of 1

Account 168910459100 E	Location 157 GROVE AVE	Zoning R-12	Deed Book/Page /	Acres 0.365
District WEST PLEASANT VALLEY	Use Code MUNICIPALITIES			

Current Owner

GROTON TOWN OF
45 FORT HILL RD
GROTON CT 06340

Property Picture



Building Information

Building No:
Year Built:
No of Units:
Structure Type:
Building Total Area: sqft.
Grade:
Identical Units:

Valuation

Land:
Building:
Total:
Total Assessed Value:

Recent Sales

Book/Page	Date	Price
683/66	2/9/1999	\$0
1155/1189	10/19/2015	\$55,906

Building Sketch



Sketch Legend

---	Main Living Area	1SMA	Masonry	GRHS	Attached Greenhouse
1FR	Frame	OMP	Open Masonry Porch	CAT	Cathedral Ceiling
OFF	Open Frame Porch	EMP	Enclosed Msry Porch	SOP	Screen Open Frame Prch
EFP	Enclosed Frame Porch	MUB	Masonry Utility	SMP	Screen Open Msry Prch
FUB	Frame Utility Building	MB	Masonry Bay	CPAT	Concrete Patio
FB	Frame Bay	MOH	Masonry Overhang	B	Basement
FG	Frame Garage	.SMA	1/2 Story Masonry		
FOH	Frame Overhang	MP	Masonry Patio		
.5FR	1/2 Story Frame	WD	Wood Deck		
A(U)	Attic (Unfinished)	CPY	Canopy		
A(F)	Attic (Finished)				

Exterior/Interior Information

Levels	Use Type	Ext. Walls	Const. Type	Heating	A/C	Condition
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mark R. Oefinger, Town Manager
FROM: Jonathan J. Reiner, Director of Planning and Development
DATE: August 4, 2016
SUBJECT: Residential and Business Survey

The Office of Planning and Development Services (OPDS) has contracted with GreatBlue Research, a professional market research firm, to conduct telephone surveys of Groton residents and businesses. The purpose of the survey is to learn the opinions of residents and business owners regarding a variety of Town services and resources and to identify opportunities to promote economic development. This effort is intended to supplement the findings of the recently-completed market analysis. The survey will serve a vital role in helping OPDS understand the concerns and priorities of residents & businesses and guide decision-making appropriately.

The survey is scheduled to begin on August 15 and will continue until the firm has collected data from enough respondents. This will most likely be a one- or two-week timeframe. To increase the response rate, OPDS is distributing information about the survey and encouraging residents and businesses to take part in it.

To this end, OPDS is requesting assistance from the Town Council, the Representative Town Meeting, and our Boards and Commissions. Two documents which provide details about the logistics of the survey are attached. One is a list of frequently asked questions; the other document includes information about the purpose of the survey and what residents and businesses can expect if they receive a call from GreatBlue. OPDS asks that the members of the Town Council, the RTM, and our Boards and Commissions circulate these two documents to residents and businesses. In particular, the input of local businesses is critical to the success of this survey effort. OPDS would like to encourage participation in the survey to improve the value of the findings.

If you have any questions about any of this information, please feel free to contact Paige Bronk, Economic and Community Development Manager at (860) 448-4095 pbronk@groton-ct.gov or to contact me at (860) 446-5980 jreiner@groton-ct.gov.

Attachments:

Press Release
FAQ

cc: Town Council
Representative Town Meeting
Conservation Commission
Economic Development Commission
Historic District Commission
Inland Wetlands Agency
Planning Commission
Zoning Board of Appeals
Zoning Commission



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August 4, 2016

PRESS RELEASE

Office of Planning and Development Services
Town of Groton

In mid-August 2016, the Town of Groton will be conducting residential and commercial telephone surveys as part of a long-term planning study for the town. The purpose of this survey is to measure residents' & business owners' opinions regarding a variety of town services, resources, and identify opportunities to drive economic development. The survey itself will be conducted by GreatBlue Research, Inc., a professional research firm located in Cromwell, CT. This survey will be vital in helping the Town understand the concerns and priorities of its residents & businesses and guide them in making decisions that best reflect the goals and needs of its population.

A random sample of Groton residents & businesses will be called and the name of the firm ("GreatBlue") will show up on caller ID should you have the technology at your home or business. If you do not have the technology, the phone number that appears will be 860-740-4000 or a variation of that (i.e., 860-740-4005, -4006 or -4007). As required by the Code of Ethics of the National Council on Public Polls and the United States Privacy Act of 1974, GreatBlue Research, Inc. maintains the anonymity of respondents to surveys the firm conducts. No information will be released that might, in any way, reveal the identity of the respondent to the Town of Groton. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact GreatBlue Research, Inc. at 860.740.4000.

We thank you for your cooperation and hope that you participate in this important survey.

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August 2016 – Town of Groton Residential & Business Telephone Survey

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Where are the calls coming from?
 - The Town of Groton has hired GreatBlue Research, a professional market research firm located in Cromwell, CT. GreatBlue has their own in-house call center with trained research staff. If you have the technology in your home, the caller ID will read “GreatBlue.” If you do not have the technology, the phone number that appears will be 860-740-4000, or a variation of that (i.e., 860-740-4005, -4006, or -4007). They do not use auto-dialers, so you will always be speaking to a live representative. None of the research staff has previous experience as telemarketers and they are not driven by quotas, so conversations are relaxed and pleasant. Participation is not mandatory, and you may opt-out.
- How many surveys are being collected?
 - GreatBlue will call a random sampling of residents to complete 350 surveys, and a random sampling of businesses to complete 100 surveys.
- How many calls does it take to complete 350 residential surveys and 100 commercial surveys?
 - GreatBlue completes roughly 1 residential survey for every 10 calls made, resulting in about 3,500 calls. For commercial surveys, GreatBlue completes roughly 1 survey for every 15 calls, resulting in about 1,500 calls.
- What happens if I’m not available and can’t take the survey when they call?
 - GreatBlue uses computer-aided telephone interviewing software that allows them to set up call-backs to reach you at a better time.
- How do they ensure all segments of the population are represented?
 - With the computer-aided telephone interviewing software, GreatBlue has the ability to target surveys based on age, zip code, etc. to ensure the surveys collected reflect the population’s demographics.
- Can I contact GreatBlue directly and volunteer to take the survey?

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August 2016 - Town of Groton Residential & Business Telephone Survey

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- While interest in participation is helpful, the survey must be random so that everyone has an equal chance of participation. If people call in and volunteer to take the survey, the results cannot be generalized to the public as a whole. Thus, surveys can only be completed through outbound calls from GreatBlue.
- I'm on a "Do Not Call" list. Why am I still receiving a call?
 - As GreatBlue is not attempting to sell you anything, they are exempt from this rule. Legitimate survey research is exempt from the Telemarketing Sales Rule put forth by the FCC to protect people from harassment and prevent fraudulent activity. However, GreatBlue will respect your right to refuse the survey as it is not mandatory.
 - GreatBlue does keep an in-house "Do Not Call" list, so if you receive a call and do not want to participate or receive additional calls, simply ask the researcher to be added to the "Do Not Call" list.

**CONNECTICUT SUBMARINE CENTURY'S 8 SUB
(BOAP) BOX DERBY**



BUILD IT, RACE IT
September 4th
WASHINGTON PARK

\$ 30.00
Registration

For Registration & Rules
<https://www.facebook.com/grotonsoapboxderby/>

For More Info Call 619-210-9996

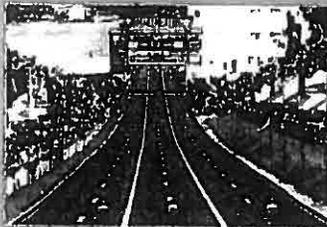


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KIDS & ADULT DIVISIONS

AGES 7-13 YRS & 9-18 YRS

ADULTS 18+ SEE FACEBOOK SITE



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Groton Public Library
Monthly Report
July 2016

Library Activities

- Library Sunday hours have been restored for 2016-2017 due to funding provided by a local group, the Power of Together 2, combined with personnel savings from a retirement. The schedule will be reduced from 34 to 30 Sundays – September 18 through April 30.
- CT Sub Century Programs
 - The Library sponsored StoryWalk™ featuring *Super Submarines* was in place at Poquonnock Plains Park throughout the month of July. The kickoff on July 7 was attended by about 60 people.
 - The Town's fiberglass sub, part of the CT Submarine Trail, is in place in front of the Library. "The Sub-Merged Garden," created by Maureen Ahrens and Edward Coney is painted with a metallic gold base and overlaid with black botanical designs reminiscent of henna artwork.
 - Library Day at the Nautilus Museum attracted 113 participants.
- 99 passport applications were processed during the Passport Day event at the Library on July 23. In light of the success, another Passport Day has been scheduled for September 10. The Library has submitted a request to become a Passport Acceptance Facility and is awaiting approval from the Department of State in Washington. Once approved, staff members will receive training and passport applications will be accepted at the Library by appointment.
- Pokémon Go players have been welcomed by the Library. The Library is a "Pokéstop" and players are battling to claim the Groton Armed Forces Memorial Sundial "Pokégym" in the parking lot. For the uninitiated, the Library will offer a Pokémon Go Class on Wednesday, August 24, from 6 p.m.- 8 p.m. for all ages.

Projects

- The bid for the Library renovation project was awarded and the contractor is completing the required paperwork.
- Plans are moving forward to choose an exterior book drop that meets the Library's needs and to decide on its placement. Installation of an exterior book return is a requirement of the renovation project grant.
- The Library has begun using the email service Constant Contact to deliver the monthly newsletter and other announcements. New subscribers can visit the website, www.grotonpl.org, and click on the sign up button.

Personnel

- Kara Berglund has been hired as a Library Assistant in the Circulation Division. She will start on August 22.

GROTON PUBLIC LIBRARY - MONTHLY STATISTICS			
		JULY 16	JULY 15
Number of Library Visits		19317	21691
Circulation Statistics			
Total		20708	32568
Adult print		11947	15188
Adult nonprint		4977	5428
Children print		1687	9714
Children nonprint		1211	1555
e Books and magazines		650	501
Downloadable audio		236	156
Downloadable video		0	26
Nonresident usage		7188	8640
Internet Use			
Public computers		4984	5152
Wireless		1667	1510
Public/Wireless Computer Prints		8472	10394
Web/Social Media Activity			
Library Home Page		21178	25784
Groton History Online		1687	2246
GMTV		422	401
Facebook Friends		1883	1504
Interlibrary Loans			
Items received		345	367
Items loaned		391	467
New Patron Registration			
Adult		135	109
Children		49	82
Community Services			
Programs/Attendance		96/2435	94/2969
Adult		40/338	33/257
Children		39/1788	46/2527
Young adult		17/309	15/185
Meeting Room			
Nonprofit		112	103
Profit		0	0
Materials Added to Collection		1329	
Adult print		988	946
Adult nonprint		163	97
Children print		146	215
Children nonprint		32	13
Video Services			
Programs produced		13	10
Programming hours aired		404	409
Ads on messaging system		83	59

PARKS AND RECREATION



Directors Report *July*

Planning/Coordination

Attended meeting with Groton Utilities to secure sponsorship for cancelled pre-fireworks celebration. • Continued meeting with Senior Center, Library staff and president of Club 55 to discuss replacing sign in front of Senior Center, with a digital sign. Club 55 is looking to fundraise the entire cost of sign. • Met with FHS Athletic Director about putting up a sign at PPP that says "Home of Fitch High School Athletics". The sign would be paid for from fundraising. • Working with staff from the Planning Department on the review of the consultant's document about the Economic Impact study of the development of a multi-use field.

Marketing/Promotion

Participated in Sub-Century events in Groton. Met with Senior Center staff to discuss implementing results of SWOT analysis.

Communications

Met with coordinator of Groton Community Gardens to discuss mowing of fields within park. • Met with resident that is interested in developing riding track by neighborhood playground for children.

Personnel

Weekly meetings with division supervisors • Biweekly and monthly meetings with department staff. Met with recreation staff to discuss changes to duties/responsibilities as a result of retirement of parks office assistant.

Projects

Negotiating with consultants to develop a Beach Sand Management Plan for Esker Point Beach. Working with IT, senior center staff and software vendor in preparation of new software being installed in Senior Center.

Marketing July

Program Promotion

Completed the all new September/October issue of the Groton Senior Center newsletter – Discover 55+. The Sept/Oct newsletter is the first issue of the new bi-monthly format, featuring two months of programs, services, and events for residents and non-residents ages 55 and up. The theme of the newsletter is health and wellness, and it highlights the many programs encouraging seniors to get and stay healthy, including a visit by the Yale-New Haven Digital Mammography Van, the activities for Active Aging Week, and two new nutrition and cooking programs. The newsletter will be distributed the second week of August.

Success on Social Media

After the unfortunate cancellation of the Fort Griswold Celebration on the Thames due to budget cuts, Groton Utilities generously stepped in to sponsor the event and cover all costs to the Department. News of the partnership quickly spread – with over 21,000 people viewing our announcement on Facebook. The post was also shared 470 times and received over 1,200 likes, making it the most viral post in the history of the Parks and Recreation Facebook page.

In the News

The local media also picked up on the story about the Fort Griswold Celebration on the Thames, and we were interviewed by Fox 61 news for a story that aired during both the 4:00 and 5:00 news hours. The story also ran in local newspapers. • Meteorologist Gil Simmons from WTNH Channel 8 news visited Esker Point Beach for a live broadcast on June 30 from 5-9 a.m. as part of his “Gil on the Go” series. • The Day newspaper featured a photo of the human submarine flash mob during CT Submarine Century Week on July 5.

Special Events

The second annual What’s it Worth Community Antiques Appraisal event at the Groton Senior Center was a great success, with over 200 items brought in for consultations with certified local appraisers. Some of the items were appraised at over \$1,500. • Shennecossett Golf Course hosted the CT Senior Open for the 19th consecutive year. The tournament featured 156 players from 12 states and Canada, including 88 pros and 67 amateurs. Eric Egloff was the winner with a 36-hole score of 1-under-par 141.

Recreation *July*

Fostering Conservation of Natural Resources

Joan Smith and Sidney van Zandt from Groton Open Space Association (GOSA) led 6-7 year olds and camp counselors from the William Seely Summer Camp on a tour of Haley Farm State Park. Their favorite spots were the foundations, Goose Pond and the frog, butterflies, the tunnel and rocks to climb.

These hikes continue a practice that started last year of getting kids at various summer camps to explore natural areas around Groton. Hikes are guided by volunteers advocates.



Campers and staff join Sidney van Zandt at Jemima's Rock.
Photo by Joan Smith

Social Equity

Several summer camp staff members underwent training that allows them to administer insulin injections, paving the way for children with insulin dependent diabetes to attend summer camp. Groton Parks and Recreation continues to lead regionally, statewide and nationally for providing programs and services that include all members of the community.

Adaptive programs are awesome! Groton Parks and Rec offers programs for Everyone! – Anonymous customer

Strengthening Community

Although the Department was forced to eliminate the Fort Griswold Celebration on the Thames that was scheduled to occur prior to the annual fireworks show, Groton Parks and Recreation continues to provide essential opportunities for the community to come together and celebrate. For example, the Summer SoundWaves Concert Series at Esker Point Beach is being provided without tax support and the department is planning the 4th of July Parade, a week-long series of events celebrating Connecticut's Submarine Century, Groton's Fall Festival and more!

The programs through Groton Parks and Rec at William Seely School have helped our Navy family integrate quickly into the community. Our kids love the classes here and have made so many friends here! - The Hawkins family

Senior Center *July*

Foster Health and Wellness

Groton Parks and Recreation is pleased to be supporting LLHD Farmers Market in Groton City. Seniors get access to locally grown healthy food. The Senior Center provides weekly transportation to the Farmers Market.



Participants in the OAT (Outdoor Adventure Travel) enjoy a hike through Avery Farm one of the parcels of land in Groton managed by GOSA. Hiking provides many health benefits, including lowering the risk of heart disease and diabetes. OAT participants go out on hikes or other adventures monthly.

Encourage Senior Independence

364 rides were provided in July. Affordable transportation to essential appointments allows seniors to stay connected to the community and allows them to live independently.

Create Community Connections



The Senior Center Hosted an Antiques Appraisal that was open to the public. Over 200 people showed up to have something appraised. This event raised over \$1,500 for the senior center.

Parks *July*

Resource Protection

Mowed the events field at the Copp property. Maintaining the space as an open field promotes diversity within the park which is beneficial to plants and animals.

Preventative Maintenance

Cut back brush along trails at Pequot Woods. Cleared brush along board walk

Ongoing Maintenance

Tasks that are completed on a daily, weekly or seasonal basis including: mowing and trimming, parks, athletic fields, cemeteries and public buildings, landscaping, lining and grooming ball fields, trash collection, and debris and leaf removal. Additional tasks include providing support services for recreation program and events. Beach clean-up 3 times per week. Set up for and clean-up after for Summer Sound Waves at Esker Point.

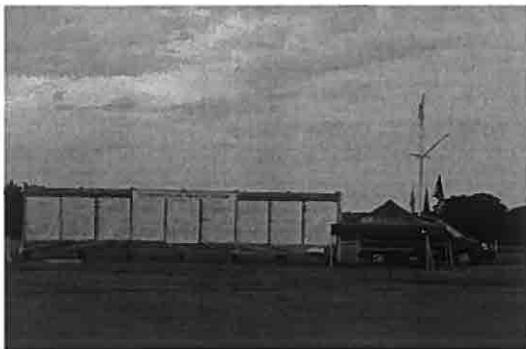
Projects

Work continued on prepping the site for replacement of the Woods Walk playground • Removed over grown shrubs from entrance of Library, prepped planter in front of library for the installation of one of the submarines in the sub trail • Pre event setup and post event break down of the fireworks at the fort.

Shennecossett Golf *July*

Contribute to Economic Development

The course hosted the CT PGA Senior Open, the Caddy Reunion Tournament, and the UConn Avery Point Baseball tournament this month.



Here are the links to the press releases from the CT Senior Open:

<http://www.ctpga.com/popup/article 5165/>

<http://www.ctpga.com/popup/article 5166/>

Marketing/Promotion

Facebook and e-blasts have been utilized to market the course.

Course Operations

The Men's' Club and Ladies' Club championships are under way.

Sand was added to bunkers all around the course.

Greens were treated four times with fungicide and soluble fertilizer.

Tees were treated with fungicide and soluble fertilizer.

Fairways were treated with fungicide and growth regulator.

Roughs were spot treated for broadleaf weeds and clover this month.

Hedgerows were trimmed this month.

This July the course played 2757 greens fees, 2089 cart fees, and 1780 season pass rounds.

Season passes sold was 1. The course was closed 0 days, with 2 weather days.

Last July had 3442 greens fees, 2089 cart fees, and 1691 season pass rounds. Season passes sold were 2. The course was closed 0, with 4 weather days.

Revenue this July was \$111,011 greens fees, \$36,467 cart fees, \$1,040 season pass fees, and \$3,100 Par 4 rent, for a total of \$151,618.

Revenue last June was \$117,915 greens fees, \$38,397 cart fees, \$1,710 season pass fees, and \$2,900 Par 4 rent, for a total of \$160,922.