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# TOWN REPORT OF THE TOWN OF EAST GRANBY FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

# BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AUDITORS AND OTHER TOWN AGENCIES

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### **BOARD OF FINANCE**

The Board of Finance is pleased to present this Annual Report for the fiscal year from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This period represents the 164th year of incorporation for the Town of East Granby.

This report provides the full record of Town Meetings (the Town's legislative body) and summaries of the activities of various Town agencies, Boards and Commissions during the fiscal year. To highlight the financial condition of East Granby, it also includes selected exhibits and schedules from the Town's Independent Auditor's Report. The Auditor's Report, which is available in its entirety on the Town's website at <a href="www.eastgranbyct.org">www.eastgranbyct.org</a>, shows the Town has maintained its historically strong financial position at the close of the fiscal year.

The members of the Board of Finance extend our thanks and appreciation to the Town's employees and to the many volunteers who comprise our boards and commissions for their continuing dedicated service to our community.

The Board of Finance:

Jeff Clark – Chairperson
Oliver Davis – Vice-Chairperson
Mark Porter – Member
Michael Malloy – Member
Jim Grenon-Francoline – Member
Todd Zessin – Member
Jim McPherson – Alternate
Chris Wrubel – Alternate

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The Town of East Granby, settled in 1710, incorporated in 1858, encompasses 17.56 square miles and is in north central Connecticut, thirteen miles north of the state of Connecticut Capitol, Hartford. The Town population in 2022 was 5214 as estimated by the Connecticut Economic Resource Center (CERC). Residents have easy access via state highways to shopping and cultural venues in neighboring towns, all while maintaining its rural appeal. Thirty percent of the Town is classified as agricultural/open space which includes Cowles Park, East Granby Farms, the Class III rapids at Tariffville Gorge, the Pedestrian Greenway and the Metacomet Trail. East Granby is a wonderful place to live and work with a strong manufacturing base around Bradley International Airport (BDL). 600 acres of the airport lie within East Granby's borders.

**Public Safety** ~ Covid Test Kits were available to the public along with N95 masks distributed by the Fire Marshal's office. Carbon Monoxide Kits continue to be available via the Fire Marshal and Building Department offices as well as at the Farmington Valley Health District headquarters. The Fire Marshal's office maintains and manages a free smoke detector program for residents.

The Town continues to be proactive regarding public safety matters. The Granby Ambulance Association (GAA) provides Advanced Life Support paramedic emergency medical services for East Granby. The East Granby Volunteer Fire Department (EGVFD) is growing and has worked with the Boards of Selectmen and Finance to purchase 2 "new to us" fire apparatus including a Pumper Truck and a Ladder Truck. The Fire Department extended a Request For Proposal for a Fire Study to be completed. The First Selectwoman and the Fire Chief and Assistant Chief chose a consultant at the beginning of 2022. The Fire Study was completed, and a committee was formed to assess recommendations and begin to accomplish the goals set forth by the study.

Culture and Quality of Life ~ East Granby Town Boards, Fire Department and Service Organizations are all run by volunteers. Women's Club of East Granby along with Friend to Friend Food Pantry & Thrift Shop and Expressions Pottery sponsor the Annual Empty Bowls Fundraiser, The Lions Club sponsors the Memorial Day Parade and the ever-popular Rubber Duck Derby, Resilience Grows here assists the Veterans and their families with mental health challenges, suicide prevention programs and education. Parks and Recreation sponsored the annual Christmas Jacky Tree Lighting. Youth Action Counsel at the Middle and Senior High Schools give our students exposure to the community and is teaching leadership skills to our youth. Senior Services provides a monthly wellness program at the Senior Community Center. The Commission on Aging (COA) held its annual East Granby Cares Day where senior citizens were matched with high school students for small tasks. State operated Old New-gate Prison, was open in-person in 2022.

East Granby also has 6 Town Commissions, 6 Boards and several committees all comprised of volunteers. Volunteerism affords our community many opportunities we otherwise would not have.

**Financial** ~ East Granby's tax base is comprised by 75.3% of real estate, 12.9% of motor vehicles, and 11.8% of commercial personal property. The median house value in East Granby is \$282,500 with a median household income of \$112,857. The mill/tax rate went up slightly from 33.2 mills to 34.1 mills.

The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$31,625,345 (net position). Of this amount \$5,465,082 represents the unrestricted net position of the Town. The Town's total net position increased by \$630,758 during the current fiscal year. As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$12,475,168, an increase of \$3,178,868 over the prior year. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the General Fund totaled \$3,608,452 or 14.2% of the Town's fiscal year 2023 authorized budgetary expenditure appropriations of \$25,383,990. The Town's total capital assets increased by \$1,307,502 or 3.8% during the current fiscal year. The Town's total long-term bonded debt increased by \$2,373,000 or 23.5% during the current fiscal year. General Government has received have of the expected \$1.5 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. BOS voted on expenditure requests received to date. The intent was to allocate the funds to Capital items as well as address needs associated with the negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency.

The Town continued its work on controlling costs through relationships with neighboring towns (Animal Control Officer – Suffield; Youth Services – Granby; Emergency Medical Services – Granby Volunteer Ambulance Association, Farmington Valley Health District, Tobacco Valley Probate Court). Through the Town's partnership with state-wide organizations like the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities and the COST, East Granby has made money saving programs available to residents along with regionally shared services which make government more cost effective and efficient. Cost savings were also seen through shared services provided by Public Works to the School District and the Library Association.

**Investing to maintain our assets** ~ Town Road Aid and Municipal Grants & Aid enabled our Department of Public works to pave 4.95 Miles of Road (13 Roads); Repair and Install 73 Catch Basins and Install 13 Miles of Curbing in 2022. The following capital items were approved at a Town Meeting in 2022 and were part of the annual capital budget and 5-Year Capital Plan: \$63,000 to purchase and equip a new Police Cruiser; \$65,000 to purchase & equip a new DPW Utility Pick-Up Truck; \$50,000 for the Assessor Revaluation; The BOE/Town entered into an agreement with Eversource Energy and Earthlight Innovative Solar Solutions for the replacement of LED Lighting at EGMS/HS. The total cost is \$476,084.53 and Eversource Energy has agreed to provide incentives of \$155,008.80 and has agreed to finance the balance of \$321,075.73. The project includes a transfer of \$80,268.93 from the Unallocated Fund Balance to the Debt Service Account in Fiscal Year 2023; The BOE/Town of EG entered into an agreement with Eversource Energy and Earthlight Innovative Solar Solutions for the replacement of LED Lighting at Seymour School. The total cost of the project is \$59,849.02 and Eversource Energy has agreed to provide incentives not to exceed \$12,660 and has agreed to finance the balance of \$47,189.02. The project includes a transfer of \$11,797.25 from the Unallocated Fund Balance to the Debt Service Account in Fiscal Year 2023; \$10,000 to purchase and install Camera and Security System Upgrades at EG Schools; \$14,028 to Repair and Maintain the EGHS Tennis Courts; \$6,975 to Remove Trees around EGHS Tennis Courts; \$7,241.85 to Refinish the Main Gym floor at EGHS; \$29,674 to Purchase Custodial Cleaning Equipment; \$15,000 to Reconfigure the Computer Room at Seymour School; \$5,493.67 to purchase and install a Dell Server at Seymour School & \$30,000 to Repair Sidewalks at EGHS & Seymour School.

**Economic Development** ~ In FY22, East Granby with the Bradley Development League (East Granby, Suffield, Windsor, and Windsor Locks) continued to market the Bradley International Airport Development Zone (BDZ). The BDZ offers significant tax abatements and a state

corporate business tax break to qualifying companies. The Board of Selectmen approved an economic incentive program for businesses in the Fall of 2021. Thanks to the hard work of our Village Center Steering Committee, the Economic Development Committee and our Town Planner, the long-awaited Village Center Master Plan is under way! Consultant Goman & York is expected to present the final plan at the end of March 2023.

Governance ~ The Board of Selectmen is the town's governing policy board. East Granby's legislative body is the Town Meeting form of government. In addition, the First Selectwoman is the town's chief executive and chief administrative officer. The Board meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. The Board of Selectmen is committed to efficiently deliver Town services to all residents while maintaining town assets, infrastructure projects and recreational opportunities at the lowest possible cost to taxpayers.

Eden Wimpfheimer, First Selectwoman Steven Hall, Selectman Joe Doering, Selectman

### **TOWN CLERK**

All land records, property maps, and vital records dating back to 1858 are part of the permanent records of the Town and are maintained by this office. Town meeting minutes from June 4, 1858 to the present and minutes from each board and commission meeting are kept in the vault as well. These records are public records that are open for public inspection.

As in most towns in Connecticut, the Town Clerk is also the Registrar of Vital Statistics, therefore; all vital events such as births, deaths and marriages that affect town residents whether the event occurs in town or within the State of Connecticut are on file in the town vault.

The Town Clerk's office works very closely with the Registrars of Voters during elections and is responsible for issuing all absentee ballots.

The following contains examples of some of the items recorded and microfilmed or filed during the fiscal year:

Land Records	1178
Maps	16
Dog License issued	485
Kennel license	1
Veteran Discharges filed	13
Town Meeting Minutes	3
Vital Statistics	
Births	44
Marriages	12
Deaths	33
Town Conveyance Tax	\$160,968
Recording Fees	\$282,526
Fish and Game	\$965

All land record images and land record indexes back to 1858 are available on our computer database which can be viewed and printed from our public access computer. We have also made our land record indexes available to everyone online as well as made the images available for a subscription fee. Subdivision and survey map indexes and images are available in electronic format back to 1858. All minutes for all permanent town boards and commissions are stored on archival paper and are securely microfilmed and stored off-site.

Christine Gallagher Town Clerk

# TOWN OF EAST GRANBY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES December 7, 2021

A Special Town Meeting of the electors and those qualified to vote at town meetings of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut was held in the Senior Community Center on Thursday, December 7, 2021 at 7:31 p.m.

James M. Hayden, First Selectman, called the meeting to order and the Town Clerk read the warning.

Brad Wolfe was elected Moderator of the meeting.

The Moderator explained that only those registered voters in the Town of East Granby and any citizen 18 years or older who is liable to the town for taxes assessed against him/her either jointly or severally, based on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the town, are entitled to vote at this meeting

Motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Special Town Meeting held on June 24, 2021. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the Special Town Meeting held on June 24,2021 as prepared by the Town Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$30,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund for Engine 2 body and electric modifications as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$70,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund for police body and car cameras as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$11,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund for Senior Center carpet replacement as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Any unexpended funds are to be returned to the Capital Fund. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to waive the reading of the amended ordinance. Motion carried. Motion was made by Christine Gallagher to amend Chapter 255 of the East Granby Town ordinances to add Article IX, Tax and Business Incentive

Program; RESOLVED: BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that the Town of East Granby adopt the proposed ordinance, AS PRESENTED. The Ordinance will now read as:

# Article IX, Tax and Business Incentive Program

### 255-24. Tax and Business Incentive Program; Authority.

Subject to Connecticut General Statutes ("CGS") Sec. 12-65b and Sec. 12-65h, the Town of East Granby (sometimes referred to herein as the "Town") may, by affirmative vote of its Board of Selectmen (BOS), enter into a written agreement with any party owning or proposing to acquire an interest in real property in the Town or with any party who is the lessee of, or proposes to be the lessee of real property in the Town, or an interest in real property upon which is located as defined in subdivision (72) of CGS Sec. 12-81, fixing the assessment of the real property and all improvements to be constructed thereon, which is the subject of the agreement in accordance with provisions of this Ordinance.

### **255-25.** Purpose

The purpose of the Tax and Business Incentive Program (the "Program") is to attract new businesses to the Town, promote expansion of existing businesses (including home based businesses relocating into commercial and industrial zones), and to encourage rehabilitation and reuse of vacant commercial and industrial buildings. It is the intent of the Town: (1) to assist in the creation of jobs for local area residents, (2) to create long term tax base growth through the replacement, reconstruction, expansion and remodeling of existing business facilities where appropriate and not injurious to the surrounding environment, (3) to encourage construction of new commercial and industrial facilities, and (4) to encourage substantial investment in new machinery, equipment and other personal property subject to taxation within the Town.

# 255-26. Economic Development Commission.

The East Granby Economic Development Commission (EDC) acting through the Director of Community Development, shall provide any property owner or lessee with general information concerning the Program, prepare and supply interested parties with a fact sheet about the Town, an application to participate in the Program and any other information that may be reasonably requested by an interested party.

A. For purposes of this ordinance, an "interested party" is one who owns or proposes to acquire an interest in real property in East Granby or otherwise meets the definition of an owner or lessee of real property as defined in CGS Sec. 12-65b and who is considering replacement, reconstruction, expansion, or remodeling of existing business facilities located or to be relocated in East Granby.

B. The EDC, or its designee, may perform research about any party applying to participate in the Program and may request of such party any relevant information that in the opinion of the EDC or the Board of Selectman (BOS) bears upon consideration of the application. The EDC, or its

designee, shall obtain from the Tax Assessor an opinion of the impact of any proposed abatement of taxes on the applicable Grand List and on future Grand Lists.

# 255-27. Qualifying Businesses.

All business uses enumerated in subdivision (b) of CGS Sec. 12-65b, provided that the business use is consistent with Town ordinances, regulations, rules, and codes and with the East Granby Plan of Conservation and Development, may apply under the provisions of this ordinance. However, applicant applying for Tax and Business Incentive Program will not be eligible if they have already been approved for the Brandley Development Zone tax abatement program and receiving both incentives at any time for same project is strictly prohibited.

All applicants should have no fines or violations assessed against the applicant or its subsidiaries by state or federal agencies regarding environmental or health codes and be able to demonstrate adequate documentation on the proposed capital investment being proposed for the improvements and expansions to the real property that would be the subject of the agreement. Applicants shall apply for New Business Development or Expansion Abatement, or Commercial Lease Vacancy Abatement as set forth in this ordinance.

# 255-28 General Requirements.

- A. Applications filed with the Town will be granted provided:
- a. The applicant is seeking either a New Business Development or a Business Expansion Abatement or Commercial Lease Vacancy Abatement, as defined herein.
- b. The proposed use is located in an appropriate zone as defined in East Granby's Zoning Regulations.
- c. The proposed use receives all necessary approvals, licenses, and permits from the East Granby Planning and Zoning Commission and any other Town, State of Connecticut and federal agencies, boards, commissions, and officials having jurisdiction with respect to the project, if such approvals, licenses, or permits are required under applicable laws, regulations, rules, and codes.
- d. No real estate property tax or other tax or fee or municipal charge due East Granby is unpaid at the time the Application is submitted or at any time thereafter.
- e. If the applicant is relocating its business to East Granby, the applicant shall provide a maximum of five-year history of tax assessments and payments to the municipality or municipalities and/or other political subdivisions in which its business was operated, as is available, and as determined by the Town. The project should have a clear economic benefit to East Granby.
- B. The applicant shall submit in writing with the Application a list of benefits, such as new jobs and growth of the Town grand list, to be realized by East Granby if the applicant receives tax incentives under the Program. Applicants are encouraged to provide East Granby residents with the opportunity to apply for open positions and businesses the opportunity to bid for construction jobs and projects and be accorded priority provided

such applicants meet all of the criteria of established job requirements or are competitive and qualified bidders.

### 255-29. Application Procedures.

- A. All tax incentive requests shall be made in writing on a form referred to as Tax and Business Incentive Application (the "Application") published and provided by the EDC and approved by the BOS as it may be amended from time to time. The Application shall have a processing fee of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).
- B. The Application, fee and all accompanying documentation required hereunder or voluntarily provided shall be submitted in duplicate at the Office of the First Selectman. Upon receipt by the BOS, one copy of the Application shall be provided to the EDC for preliminary review.
- C. For purposes of this ordinance, "receipt by the BOS" means an application and all accompanying documentation required in accordance with all applicable provisions of this Ordinance is submitted. The following time periods for review of the Application and action are not mandatory, nonetheless, the EDC and the BOS shall try to meet the time limits stated hereafter: From date of receipt by the BOS of the Application the EDC and the Director of Community Development will review the Application for completeness, request additional information and meet with the property owner and/or lessee or the property owner and/or lessee's representatives. Provided the property owner and/or lessee has provided all information required in the Application, by this Ordinance and by the EDC, or its designee, the Director of Community of Development will approve the application thereafter report its findings to the BOS. The BOS will place the application on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled BOS meeting for discussion and will take action on the application within thirty (30) days. If the BOS approves the application, the First Selectman and the property owner/lessee shall enter into a written agreement.
- D. The approval of this ordinance by Town Meeting shall provide the Board of Selectman with authority to enter into such agreements as set forth by Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 12-65b and Sec. 12-65h.

# 255-30. Assessment of the Property Subject to the Agreement.

The East Granby Assessor shall determine the assessment of the real property and any and all improvements constructed or to be constructed on or in the real property which is the subject of the agreement and report those findings to the Board of Selectmen before any final approval is voted on by the Board of Selectmen.

# 255-31. Specific Requirements of the Tax Incentive Agreement.

Pursuant to CGS Sec. 12-65b(a) the assessment of real property and all improvements in or on or to be constructed in or on said real property may be abated for a period of not more than five years. The level of abatement shall be dependent upon the value of the applicant's investment into the property as defined below.

- a. New Business Development or Expansion Abatement: For commercial real property investments, expansions, and new construction. New Business Development shall be defined as an eligible project involving real property, new construction, or renovation, or tenant buildout, for either a new to town business, or the relocation of town business to new project site. Business Expansion shall be defined as an eligible project involving an addition or renovation, or tenant buildout of the applicant's existing property and/or facilities.
  - i. Applicants making an investment of \$500,000 shall receive an abatement of 50% of their increased tax assessment.
  - ii. Applicants making an investment of \$1,500,000 shall receive an abatement of 55% of their increased tax assessment.
  - iii. Applicants making an investment of \$3,000,000 shall receive an abatement of 60% of their increased tax assessment. Additionally, such applicants shall also receive a 15% discount on all required Building Permits.
  - iv. Applicants making an investment of \$6,000,000 shall receive an abatement of 65% of their increased tax assessment. Additionally, such applicants shall also receive a 25% discount on all Building Permits.
- b. Commercial Lease Vacancy Abatement: If the applicant is a tenant operating under a written lease, the term of the lease must be tor no less than five years. Additionally, the lessee must lease from the lessor a minimum of 15,000 sq ft of commercial space. The agreement and the tax incentives must be clearly recited in said lease and be for a period no less than the applicable term of the tax abatement period. A copy of said lease shall be submitted at the same time as the Application to enter the Program.
  - i. Applicants leasing space that has been previously vacant for a period of at least a year shall receive an abatement of 50% of their total tax assessment for the space applies to the lease, for a period of three years, provided that the real property taxes are the responsibility of the applicant pursuant to lease.
  - ii. Applicants leasing space that has been previously vacant for a period of three years or more shall receive an abatement of 100% of their total tax assessment for the space as it applies to the lease, for a period of five years, provided that the real property taxes are the responsibility of the applicant pursuant to lease. The fixed assessment period shall commence the first fiscal year for which a tax list is prepared on the October 1st immediately following the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for construction of the buildings, additions, and all improvements in or on the real property which is the subject of the agreement.
- c. In the case of new construction or improvements to an existing facility, such construction shall commence within six months of approval of the Agreement by the Town Meeting and shall be completed no later than twenty-four months from date of approval by the Town Meeting. The times for commencement and completion of the construction are mandatory except owner or lessee's performance may be excused when the owner or lessee is prevented from performing by causes beyond owner's or lessee's control including natural disasters, fires, or other calamities or a state or national declared state of emergency.

### 255-32. Default by the Owner or Lessee.

- A. Under the Terms of the Agreement In the event the owner or lessee of the real property:
- **a.** Fails to pay real estate and/or personal property taxes when such taxes are due and payable; or
- **b.** Fails to commence or complete on time the construction of all improvements upon the property which is the subject of the agreement; or
- c. Becomes insolvent or bankrupt or files any debtor proceedings or others file such debtor proceedings against the owner or lessee, in any court, in any jurisdiction, state or federal, and does not withdraw such filing within ninety (90) days or such other proceedings have not been dismissed or withdrawn by such other parties within ninety (90) days or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors or if the property or lease is taken under any writ of execution or becomes the subject of foreclosure proceedings; or
- **d.** Abandons the real property or, in the case of the lessee, purports to assign its lease without the express consent of the Town as set forth in Section J of this Ordinance; or,
- **e.** Fails to perform any obligation of owner or lessee under the terms of the agreement.
- B. Then such event shall constitute a material default of the agreement and the Town may terminate the agreement on the giving of written notice whereupon (i) the right of the owner and/or lessee to receive tax abatements and any other considerations granted to the property owner and/or lessee under the terms of the agreement shall cease and come to an end; and, (II) the property owner and/or lessee shall be obligated to repay the Town the amounts of all tax abatements retroactive to the due date of the first abated tax payment plus interest at the rate set and payable pursuant to provisions of CGS Sec. 12-146, all waived fees, if any, and all actual costs of the Town in providing in kind considerations to the property owner and/or the lessee.
- C. In the event of failure to pay a tax when due and if such delinquency continues for six months and one day, the Town shall terminate the agreement whereupon (i) the right of the owner and/or lessee to receive the tax abatement and any other considerations granted to the property owner or lessee under the terms of the agreement shall cease and come to an end; and, (ii) the property owner and/or lessee shall be obligated to repay the Town the amounts of all tax abatements retroactive to the due date of the first abated tax payment plus interest at the rate set and payable pursuant to provisions of CGS Sec. 12-146, all waived fees, if any, and all actual costs of the Town in providing in kind considerations to the property owner and/or the lessee.

### 255-33. Assignment of the Agreement.

The agreement between the Town and the owner and/or lessee of real property shall not be assigned by the owner or lessee to any person(s) or business organization or entity or estate or trust without the express consent of the BOS. A conveyance of the real property or a transfer of ownership of the business or substantially all of the assets of the business, which is the subject of the agreement, to a person or business organization or entity that is not owned or controlled by the owner of the real property and/or the owner of the business who are parties to the agreement

with the Town, shall not constitute a valid assignment of the agreement or vest any rights under the agreement in the grantee of the real property or transferee of the business or of the assets of the business or allow for enforcement of any obligations of the Town against the Town by the grantee of the real property or transferee of the business or of the assets of the business including but not limited to any remaining tax abatements under terms of the agreement. For purposes of this section a "controlled entity" means a business which is eighty or more percent owned by the grantor or transferor, as the case may be.

### 255-34. Amendments to Applicable Statutes.

All references to CGS Sec. 12-65b or Sec. 12-65h or Sec. 12-81 or any other section of CGS made herein shall include all amendments to such statutes enacted and signed into law subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance.

#### 255.35 Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication of a summary of its provisions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, §7-157(b).

Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to waive the reading of the amended ordinance. Motion carried. Motion was made by Christine Gallagher to amend Chapter 153 to the East Granby Town ordinances to add Article III, Outside Consultants: Hiring and Fees; RESOLVED: BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that the Town of East Granby adopt the proposed ordinance, AS PRESENTED. The Ordinance will now read as:

### Article III, Outside Consultants: Hiring and Fees

### **153-4.** Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to establish the authority of certain land use boards and commissions, pursuant to C.G.S. 8-1c, to pass through the cost of engaging outside engineering and consulting services in connection with a technically complex application and beyond the expertise of the town resources.

# 153-5. Additional Costs for Certain Applications.

Upon the filing of an application to Planning and Zoning or Wetlands Commission, the Director of Community Development, or his/her designee, shall make a determination whether one or more outside consultant(s) are needed to analyze, review and report on areas requiring technical review in order to assist the Commission. Such consultant(s) may include, but shall not be limited to, engineers, surveyors, soil scientists, traffic consultants and information technologists. If such determination is made, the Director shall assess the reasonable costs for such consultant(s) to the applicant based upon a preliminary estimate from the consultant(s). The Director shall collect 150 percent of the estimate from the applicant, which amount shall be held

in escrow until the technical review(s) are completed. Any excess amount collected over the actual cost(s) shall be refunded to the applicant. This payment shall be considered as an integral component of the application. The failure by the applicant to make this payment shall render the application incomplete.

# 153-6. Fee in Addition to Other Charges.

Any fees or charges imposed pursuant to this article will be in addition to any other application fee imposed under any other ordinance or local regulation.

### 153-7. Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication of a summary of its provisions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, §7-157(b).

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to waive the reading of the amended ordinance. Motion carried. Motion was made by Christine Gallagher to create Chapter 198 to the East Granby Town ordinances to add Cannabis, Article I, Prohibition of Use on Town Property; RESOLVED: BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED that the Town of East Granby adopt the proposed ordinance, AS PRESENTED. The Ordinance will now read as:

# Cannabis, Article I, Prohibition of Use on Town Property

# 198-1. Authority.

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to General Statutes Sections 7-148(c)(7)(H), as amended by Public Act 2 l-1 (June 202 l Special Session), Section 84, which allows municipalities to regulate activities deemed harmful to public health, including smoking, on municipally owned or controlled property. Said law further allows a municipality to control smoking of tobacco or cannabis, including cannabis e-cigarette use (i.e., electronic delivery systems and vapor products), as well as and other types of cannabis use or consumption.

### 198-2. Definitions.

For purposes of this Chapter, the Town of East Granby adopts the definitions used in Public Act 21-1 (June 2021 Special Session), Section 1.

198-3. Cannabis Product Use Prohibited on Town Property.

It shall be unlawful for any person to use cannabis or cannabis-derived products, regardless of form or manner of ingestion, on any property owned or controlled by the Town of East Granby. This prohibition includes but is not limited to: the lighting or carrying of a lighted cannabis or marijuana cigarette or cigar or pipe, use of a vaping device producing vapor of any cannabis product, or carrying or ingestion of a cannabis edible substance. Violation of this section shall be punishable by a fine of \$50.00 per offense.

198-4. Sale, Gift, or Transfer of Cannabis Products on Town Property Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person, organization, entity, or any other party to sell, give, trade, or in any other way transfer cannabis products of any sort to another person, organization, entity, or other party on property owned or controlled by the Town of East Granby. Such products include but are not limited to: cannabis or marijuana cigarettes or

cigars or pipes, vaping devices and vaping substances, and edible substances. Violation of this section shall be punishable by a fine of \$50.00 per offense.

### 198-5. Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication of a summary of its provisions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §7-157(b).

Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Attest, Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

Received for record December 8, 2021 By Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

# TOWN OF EAST GRANBY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES March 24, 2022

A Special Town Meeting of the electors and those qualified to vote at town meetings of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut was held in the Senior Community Center on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 7:02 pm.

Eden Wimpfheimer, First Selectwoman, called the meeting to order and the Town Clerk read the warning. Brad Wolfe was elected Moderator of the meeting.

The Moderator explained that only those registered voters in the Town of East Granby and any citizen 18 years or older who is liable to the town for taxes assessed against him/her either jointly or severally, based on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the town, are entitled to vote at this meeting

Motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Special Town Meeting held on December 7, 2021. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the Special Town Meeting held on December 7, 2021 as prepared by the Town Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$130,000 from the Capital Non-

Recurring Fund to purchase a pumper truck with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$85,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase a tower ladder truck with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Attest, Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

Received for record March 25, 2022 By Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

# TOWN OF EAST GRANBY ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES May 3, 2022

The Annual Town Meeting of the electors and those qualified to vote at Town Meetings of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut was held on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7:08 p.m. at the Senior/Community Center, East Granby, Connecticut

Eden Wimpfheimer, First Selectwoman, called the meeting to order and the Town Clerk read the warning.

R. Brad Wolfe was elected Moderator of the meeting.

The Moderator explained that only those registered voters in the Town of East Granby and any citizen 18 years or older who is liable to the town for taxes assessed against him or her either jointly or severally, based on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the town, are entitled to vote at this meeting

Motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the March 24, 2022 Special Town Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the Special Town Meeting held on March 24, 2022 as prepared by the Town Clerk. Motion carried.

The Moderator explained that in accordance with Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut the Board of Selectmen removed Item 2 from the call of the Annual Town Meeting to an Adjourned

Town Meeting for the purpose of submitting said item to a referendum vote to take place on May 12, 2022 at the hours to be determined by this meeting. This motion will be read for discussion purposes only.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that that the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$5,226,750 for the General Government; \$18,407,000 for the Board of Education; \$1,150,240 for Debt Service; \$600,000 for the Capital Reserve Fund; totaling \$25,383,990 be adopted as recommended by the Board of Finance.

Representatives from the Board of Finance, the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Education spoke about their areas of the budget summarizing what had been said at the public hearing of the Board of Finance. The Moderator entertained questions from the floor for before closing debate.

Motion was made by Christine Gallagher and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the hours of voting at the referendum to be held on May 12, 2022 for the purpose of approving or disapproving the town budget for fiscal year 2022/2023 be extended to 6:00 AM through 8:00 PM. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, May 12, 2022 at 6:00 A.M. in the East Granby Senior/Community Center.

Attest,

Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk Received for Record May 4, 2022 By Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

# TOWN OF EAST GRANBY RESULTS OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING VOTE AT REFERENDUM May 12, 2022

The May 3, 2022 Annual Town Meeting was reconvened at 6:00a.m., May 12, 2022 for the purpose of a machine vote on the following question(s):

### **QUESTION 1**

"Shall the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$5,226,750 for the General Government; \$18,407,000 for the Board of Education; \$1,150,240 for Debt Service; \$600,000 for the Capital Reserve Fund; totaling \$25,383,990 be adopted as recommended by the Board of Finance?"

YES 285 NO 148

### **Motion Passed**

### **QUESTION 2**

Advisory Vote (Non-Binding)

"In your opinion is the General Government Budget in the amount of \$5,226,750, an increase of 3.1% or \$156,750, the right amount, too low, or too high?"

RIGHT AMOUNT 215 TOO LOW 58 TOO HIGH 155

# **QUESTION 3**

Advisory Vote (Non-Binding)

"In your opinion is the Board of Education Budget in the amount of \$18,407,000, an increase of 2.89% or \$517,000, the right amount, too low, or too high?"

RIGHT AMOUNT 163 TOO LOW 106 TOO HIGH 159

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the moderator.

Total Names on Registry List 3643
Total Names Voted Absentee 7
Total Names Voted in Person 426
Total Having Voted 433
Percentage Having Voted 11.8%

Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

Received for Record May 13, 2022 By Christine Gallagher, Town Clerk

# TOWN OF EAST GRANBY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES June 28, 2022

A Special Town Meeting of the electors and those qualified to vote at town meetings of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut was held in the Senior Community Center on Thursday, June 28, 2022 at 7:02 p.m.

Eden Wimpfheimer, First Selectwoman, called the meeting to order and the Assistant Town Clerk Anne Newhall read the warning. Brad Wolfe was elected Moderator of the meeting.

The Moderator explained that only those registered voters in the Town of East Granby and any citizen 18 years or older who is liable to the town for taxes assessed against him/her either jointly or severally, based on an assessment of not less than \$1,000 on the last completed grand list of the town, are entitled to vote at this meeting

Motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 3, 2022. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 3, 2022 as prepared by the Town Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town close the Fire Department iPad Computers, Fire Department Rescue Vehicle, Fire Hose, Dump Truck, DPW Overhead Door, Fire Department Pumper, Town Campus Insulation and Senior Center Carpet Replacement and to return existing funds to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the School Camera Upgrade and School Technology Equipment and to return existing funds to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$63,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase and equip a new police cruiser with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$65,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase and equip a new DPW Utility pick-up truck with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$50,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund for the Assessor Revaluation with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Selectmen and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the town approve RD Seymour Elementary School LED Lighting Project. WHEREAS, the East Granby Board of Education/Town of East Granby is interested in replacing present lighting at the RD Seymour Elementary School with energy efficient LED lighting (the "Project"); and WHEREAS, the Board of Education on behalf of the Town is about to enter into an agreement with Eversource Energy and Earthlight Innovative Solar Solutions for the replacement of such lighting which said agreement provides for financial incentives to the Board of Education/Town of East Granby; and WHEREAS, the total cost of the Project is a sum not to exceed \$59,849.02 and Eversource Energy has agreed to provide incentives not to exceed \$12,660 and has agreed to finance the balance not to exceed \$47,189.02 over four years with zero interest (the "Loan"); and WHEREAS, the Loan as described herein and a transfer of a sum not to exceed \$11,797.25 from the Unallocated Fund Balance to the Debt Service Account in Fiscal Year 2023 for the LED project as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the town approve the East Granby Middle/High School LED Lighting Project. WHEREAS, the East Granby Board of Education/Town of East Granby is interested in replacing present lighting at the East Granby Middle/High School with energy efficient LED lighting (the "Project"); and WHEREAS, the Board of Education on behalf of the Town is about to enter into an agreement with Eversource Energy and Earthlight Innovative Solar Solutions for the replacement of such lighting which said agreement provides for financial incentives to the Board of Education/Town of East Granby; and WHEREAS, the total cost of the Project is a sum not to exceed \$476,084.53 and Eversource Energy has agreed to provide incentives not to exceed \$155,008.80 and has agreed to finance the balance not to exceed \$321,075.73 over four years with zero interest (the "Loan"); and WHEREAS, the Loan as described herein and a transfer of a sum not to exceed \$80,268.93 from the Unallocated Fund Balance to the Debt Service Account in Fiscal Year 2023 for the LED project as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$10,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase and install camera and security system upgrades at East Granby Schools with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$14,028 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to repair and maintain the East Granby High School tennis courts with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$6,975 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to remove trees around the East Granby High School tennis courts with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$7,241.85 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to refinish the main gym floor at East Granby High School with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$29,674 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase custodial cleaning equipment with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$15,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to reconfigure the computer room at Seymour School with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$5,493.67 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to purchase and install a Dell server at Seymour School with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Anne Newhall and seconded to adopt the following RESOLUTION: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a sum not to exceed \$30,000 from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund to repair sidewalks at the East Granby High and Seymour Schools with any unexpended funds to be returned to the Capital Fund as recommended by the Boards of Education and Finance. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Attest, Anne Newhall, Assistant Town Clerk

Received for record June 29, 2022 By Anne Newhall, Assistant Town Clerk

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

East Granby Public Schools started 2021-2022 as "typical" as we remember with all students attending in person, masks became optional at the end of February, 2022, social distancing relaxed, COVID quarantine protocols reduced, COVID home tests were provided, and a full array of clubs and activities were offered. The district continued with regular cleaning and encouraged multiple opportunities for hand washing. Our staff did enjoy being able to see the faces and smiles of our students! We were here to educate, connect, care for, and support our students in a safety conscious environment. We learned together, met problems with solutions, supported one another, and carried the proud East Granby School District name forward.

In 2021-2022, our learning community included 170 faculty and staff who served 826 students (which includes 51 students participating from the Open Choice Program) plus an additional 32 Family Resource Center preschool students for a total of 852 students in our four excellent schools:

Grades PreK-2, Carl Allgrove Elementary School

Grades 3-5, R.D. Seymour Elementary School

Grades 6-8, East Granby Middle School

Grades 9-12, East Granby High School

Serving during the 2021-2022 school year, our district was led by a nine-member Board of Education:

- Bob Paskiewicz, Chairperson
- Bob Ravens-Seger, Vice Chairperson (ended Dec 2021)
- Michele Holt, Board Secretary in 2021 and Vice Chair in 2022
- Mark Andrews, joined in 2022
- Ricky Bortz, joined in 2022
- John Corcoran
- Amanda Cormier
- Lynn Landolina, became Board Secretary in 2022
- Bob Loomis
- Arthur Reardon (ended 2021)
- John Welsh

The Board met on the second and fourth Monday of the month, unless the meeting fell on a holiday.

### SYNOPSIS OF ACHIEVEMENT OF THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR GOALS

East Granby Public School's commitment to the physical and emotional safety and security of our students was paramount to our instructional day. In classrooms, our teachers held meaningful conversations that modeled how global citizens respond respectfully, responsibly, and ethically to times of unrest and instability. We continued to emphasize the importance of kindness and community within our schools at all times, but especially during difficult times. For example, in grades K-5, we had social-emotional learning through picture and chapter books that emphasized kindness, helpfulness, and resilience. In our grades 6-12, we had weekly advisory meetings with activities emphasizing qualities such as collaboration, altruism, and empathy.

### Portrait of a Graduate

The East Granby Public Schools introduced the Portrait of a Graduate in the fall of 2021. A district initiative, it represents the community's vision for what every graduate should know and be able to demonstrate across all learning experiences. The East Granby learning community embraces

the Five C's (Creativity, Collaboration, Critical Thinking, Empowered Citizenship, and Creative Thinking) to guide and measure student learning.

East Granby teachers collaborate during dedicated Professional Learning Community meetings and have created interdisciplinary Five C rubrics to measure student learning and progress toward demonstrating mastery of the Five C's. This work is ongoing at the high school and middle school levels and was introduced at the elementary school level in the fall of 2022.

Through activities like "Portrait of a Graduate Day" and ongoing PLC work, East Granby students are exposed to the Five C's across every grade level and classroom daily. The culminating event for our Portrait of a Graduate initiative takes place when each senior presents a Capstone Project to community members demonstrating an understanding of self, the East Granby community, and the Five C's.



# **Culture and Climate**

East Granby Public School administrators, teachers and staff continued their commitment to the belief that equity, diversity and the social and emotional well-being of our students is paramount to the success of our students and the high quality of education that the district provides.

The district's Climate & Culture Plan was initiated in the 2020-21 school year. The plan includes three critical components: teaching & learning, community engagement, and student-centered opportunities for growth.

During the 2021-2022 school year, with these components in mind, staff in each building were provided professional development from outside facilitators in partnership with the Climate & Culture Advisors. Through book clubs, workshops, and activities, EGPS staff increased their skill level across these identified areas.

The district continues to understand the importance of climate and culture in our schools. If our staff, students, and families do not feel physically and emotionally safe and are not engaged in a positive environment, learning becomes more difficult. The goals identified by the district ensure that all of our stakeholders are provided with a positive school climate and school culture that promotes learning and appreciates the diversity of our school, community, and world.

### **Increase Academic Performance**

Implement research supported by best practices in blended learning. Utilize a variety of resources to improve instruction and student performance in Reading, assess student

understanding and knowledge of content in complex texts, and enable students to demonstrate higher performance levels.

- Across the district, EGPS utilized standardized assessment, such as Heggerty Assessments
  for Phonemic Awareness, Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP), and PSATs, to
  identify student deficiencies in reading comprehension of complex texts. For mathematics,
  results were garnered from ALEKS, MAPs, PSATs, and departmental assessments to
  gauge students' levels of mastery.
- With all pandemic restrictions lifted, our students were able to do full music and chorus activities. (Others had been lifted prior, for example, small group activities were started back up again last school year.)
- Across the grade levels, faculty and administration continue to implement an ongoing review of data, adjusting and realigning the curriculum in order for improvement of student and school performance.
- The district continues to implement required state educational legislation and update curriculum for optimum results. In the spring of 2022, grades K-5 adopted iReady mathematics, a comprehensive mathematics curriculum that is supported with books, physical manipulatives, and an online component.

### **Technology Integration**

- As a result of the pandemic, our district is fully 1:1 with computers for students across the grade levels. Older students transport their Chromebooks to and from school, with younger one's store and utilize theirs within the classroom. Our youngest learners have iPads available, if a technology need arises.
- Students are taught coding across all grade levels, beginning in kindergarten.
- Educators continued utilizing Google Classroom, along with a variety of other platforms, to facilitate student learning throughout the school year. Each classroom teacher has access to a Chromebook, obtained through a competitive grant.

### **Communication**

- As the pandemic continued so did communication to the East Granby Public Schools community. Our district utilized the district website, direct emails, phone calls, and letters home to share the shifting metrics and our responses to growing concerns, as well as important updates on in-person and distance learning. Teachers used Google Classroom, email, and other online platforms and apps to stay connected to students and parents.
- Communication continued with the public through information in *Let's Talk Turkey* publication, EGMS Principal's Blog, Allgrove, and Seymour Schools newsletters, EGPS Twitter, and EGHS Instagram and Facebook pages.
- Resources for families were provided through the EGPS Library Media Specialists, in conjunction with a partnership with the EG Public Library. Parents/guardians and librarians communicated through our Follet system and email so families could have access to books throughout the pandemic.

### **Professional Development (PD)**

- During the 2021-2022 school year, our professional development calendar was filled with a variety of learning opportunities for small groups and independent workshops, as well as sessions that met building and district goals. Guest presenters from <u>CT SERC</u>, Stephen Proffitt and Michelle LeBrun-Griffin, worked with groups on Understanding by Design and Differentiation. We had time dedicated to the science of reading, utilizing data, and implementation of new programming.
- Administrators worked independently through their professional memberships to access targeted learning. Additionally, they also participated in both online and in-person professional development through the CT Department of Education, CTSERC, CAPSS, CREC, and other leaders in the educational field.
- Many faculty members participated in large group workshops for crisis responsiveness, which included CPR and PMT training.

### Free Lunch

In January 2021, we began our free lunch and breakfast program. Granby Public Schools offered to bring East Granby on as part of their breakfast and lunch program. We spent many hours with Granby Public School representatives, East Granby school office and custodial personnel, and Fresh Picks, the food vendor, to address countless details to make this endeavor successful. We are very grateful to Granby and to Fresh Picks for their partnership and flexibility that allowed all East Granby students to have an option for free lunch and breakfast! The free lunch initiative, sponsored by the USDA, was in response to challenging economic times during COVID-19. Under the USDA, we were required to follow many food and beverage guidelines in regard to what we can sell and offer students for food, snack and beverage choices. In the end, we felt the positives outweigh the negatives and were happy to participate and offer this resource to our families. The free lunch program in East Granby continued through the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

# <u>In addition, we celebrated the following awards, recognitions, and community involvement</u> by our EGPS students:

- Paige Lareau received the Connecticut Association of Schools (C.A.S.) Performing Arts Award for her excellence in music.
- Emalee Bisson received the Connecticut Association of Schools (C.A.S.) Performing Arts Award for her excellence in Art.
- Patrick Lakomy and Sarah Springer received the Connecticut Association of Schools (C.A.S/CIAC) Scholar Athlete Award for their deviation to sport and academics.
- C.M.E.A. Northern Region Middle School Festival had ten students perform: Evan Hanks (Timpani, Band), Lily Shuster (Clarinet, Band), Amani Akedde-Bernstein (Alto, Chorus), Stephanie Clement (Soprano, Chorus), Izabella Dallesander (Soprano, Chorus), Mia Grabowski (Soprano, Chorus), Hansika Lenkala (Soprano, Chorus), Logan Nicolle (Soprano, Chorus), Elianna Russo (Soprano, Chorus), and Varshny Sriganesh (Soprano, Chorus).
- Despite significant challenges with Covid, EGHS revived the "Voices" Literary Magazine.

- Two EGHS students were recognized in a Young Writers competition and published poems in their 2022 publication: *Empowered: Captive Thoughts*. Charlotte Michaud published a poem entitled "Coming Out", and Jenna Pratt published a poem called "Open Your Heart".
- Our district continues to honor veterans in all buildings. The teachers and students of all of the district's schools participate in a car parade honoring our veterans. Staff and students lined the parking lots with flags and signs as our veterans drove through each campus. Culminating with the high school's culinary students distributing bagged lunches to the veterans as they exited the campus. High School students mailed over 260 letters to the Veterans.
- East Granby's Memorial Parade returned and the EGHS band and chorus participated by marching and singing the National Anthem.
- Recognized two eighth grade students as Connecticut Association of Schools Scholar Leaders: Genevieve Corricelli and Adarsh Atluri.
- Recognized three eighth grade students who took the top three spots in the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay contest: Genevieve Corricelli (1st place), Mya Mostenaeu (2nd place), and Izabella Dallesander (3rd place).
- Invention Convention Award recipients include three eighth grade students: Genevieve Corricelli, Varshny Sriganesh, and Hansika Lenkala. While all three progressed to the state level in the competition, Genevieve and Varshny advanced to the national competition held at the Henry Ford Museum in Flint, MI.
- Artwork displays were featured in installations throughout the Bradley International Airport.
- Stephanie Clement, a seventh-grade student, was honored by the University of Connecticut and given the Platinum Award for her writing and was published in the 2022 Students Writers Magazine. Other students receiving awards include Genevieve Corricelli (Gold Award for Poetry), Colin Daly (Gold Award for Non-Fiction) Cheyenne Smith (Silver Award for Non-Fiction), Malia Gabbidon (Honorable Mention for Poetry), and Isaac Gaudette (Honorable Mention for Non-Fiction).
- Recognized and congratulated Mr. Brett Lowman, Elementary Librarian, as East Granby Teacher of the Year 2023.
- Celebrated the accomplishments of our retirees: Susan Judice, Brenda Testerman, Bob Tonino, John Wilson, and Kathy Zagaja.
- We acknowledged the faculty and staff who have worked in the district for 20 plus years: Sarah Dugre and Shannon Karlowicz.
- Thirty-seven Seymour students participated in a Broadway Review with a community performance held at EGHS.
- The Class of 2022 held their high school graduation ceremony at Dunkin' Donuts Park.
- We honored our graduates, on a beautiful evening, as they sat in the infield with their families in the stands cheering them on.

I have much gratitude for the work of our school professionals, the East Granby Community, and of course our school families and children. There was no decision that was met with 100% agreement, but we continued to travel this crooked path together. We grew through challenges; I believe that we have learned more about ourselves, our priorities, and our abilities. We will

continue to persevere. East Granby is a small district with big hearts and grand outreach of kindness and acceptance. We continue to keep perspective and to take care of each other.

Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande Superintendent of Schools

# **ASSESSOR**

The duty of the Assessor is to discover, list, and value all property within the Town for tax purposes. This includes Real Estate, Motor Vehicles, and Business Personal Property.

The Assessor also maintains and updates records involving land maps and ownership of properties.

The office assists the public with various programs provided both locally and by the State of Connecticut, including programs for veterans, tax relief, blind persons, open space land, and certain volunteer exemptions.

The office is currently working on a State Mandated Property Revaluation for the October 1, 2023 Grand List.

Donna M Murphy, CCMA II Interim Assessor

### **TAX COLLECTOR**

The office of the Tax Collector is responsible for billing and collecting of property taxes, including real estate, business equipment property taxes and motor vehicle property taxes, as well as sewer use charges and water and sewer assessments. With the objective to maintain a high collection rate resulting in a positive bond rating for the Town of East Granby.

- During this fiscal year, the tax office generated 10,052 tax bills for Grand List 2020. At the end of the fiscal year 389 tax bills were not paid in full.
- The 2020 grand list original levy was \$20,779,874.00 and the net collections on the levy were \$20,462,337.12.
- The 2020 grand list adjusted levy was \$20,567,794.87 and the net collections on the levy were \$20,462,337.12.
- During the 2021 2022 fiscal years, 98.47% of the original grand levy was collected.
- During the 2021 2022 fiscal years, 99.49% of the adjusted grand levy was collected.
- Total uncollected taxes as of June 30, 2022 (including back taxes) were \$269,390.68.
- In addition, \$376333.15 billed for 221 sewer use bills for fiscal year 21/22 and the uncollected usage fees as of June 30, 2022, were \$4,651.88, (99.98%).

A more complete description of the Tax Collector's Annual Report was filed with the Auditor.

Sherry Clemens, CCMC Tax Collector

### **SOCIAL SERVICES**

East Granby Social Services administers two state assistance programs. The Elderly and Totally Disabled Renter's Rebate Program and the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program. Annual meetings and trainings are attended for each program by the Director of Social Services prior to the start of each program season. Renter's Rebate runs April-October and Energy Assistance runs September-May.

Social Services processes applications for the Operation Fuel Program for emergency energy assistance for East Granby residents who have already utilized the CT Energy Assistance or are just above the income guidelines for it. Social Services also works with income eligible Eversource customers to code them as hardship and enroll them into Eversource's assistance

programs through a web portal. Case management and budget support and counseling is provided to the residents applying for these programs.

Social Services assists residents with the application and redetermination of the Department of Social Services state administered programs such as SNAP, MSP, and HUSKY.

Social Services office manages the East Granby Emergency Assistance Fund. Assistance for this program ranges from help with heating and energy costs, rent/mortgage, and other critical needs. Eligibility requirements are based on income and in most cases the emergency assistance is available to residents one time per year. The fund is supported solely by donations from the community and on average assists 40-50 households each year.

East Granby is a member of the Northwest County Service Unit of the Salvation Army. Quarterly meetings are attended by the Director of Social Services and the applications for the Salvation Army's assistance programs are made through Social Services. Approximately 3-5 households are assisted with the Salvation Army funding each year.

Social Services administers seasonal assistance programs. In 2021, the Back-to-School program provided gift cards to purchase school supplies for approximately 30-35 children. The Holiday Gift Program provided gifts, gift cards, hats/mittens, and books to approximately 20 families. Both programs are supported through donations made by the community.

Social Services supports the Friend-to-Friend Food Pantry and Thrift Shop by determining eligibility for the food pantry and providing vouchers for the Thrift Shop. The Social Services Director attends monthly board meetings, administers yearly renewals, and provides approved monthly participant lists to the board members. Social Services manages the applications for the Holiday Food Basket program that Friend to Friend organizes for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals.

East Granby Social Services is a member of the Farmington Valley Hunger Action Team. This community group is connected with Foodshare and works on projects to decrease food insecurity. The team meets each month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, rotating locations within the Farmington Valley towns.

The Social Services Director attends monthly meetings for the Commission on Aging and together with the Senior Services Director, coordinates the Good Samaritan Program and East Granby Cares Day.

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic various assistance programs became available to residents. Social Services provided referrals and assistance for the Affordable Connectivity Program, formerly the Emergency Broadband Benefit, Unite CT, and CT Temporary Rental Housing Assistance Program (TRHAP).

Social Services works in collaboration with Senior Services and the EG Library to assist with the Senior Secret Admirer program administered by #EG CommunityWorks each February.

The Social Services office is located in the Senior/Community center and is open Monday-Thursday. The department is committed to enhancing the quality of life of residents through support in meeting basic human needs and promoting services and programs that foster self-sufficiency. Confidential help is available to residents by calling (860) 413-3328 or emailing <a href="mailto:elisec@egtownhall.com">elisec@egtownhall.com</a>

Elise Cosker, Social Service Director

### **COMMISSION ON AGING AND SENIOR SERVICES**

The Commission on Aging is a nine-member volunteer board, with three alternate members, appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The Commission meets the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the East Granby Senior/Community Center. These meetings are open to the public and residents are invited to attend. The Commission acts as an advisory board to the Senior Services department which plans and advocates programs and services to enhance the quality of life for older residents in the community.

Senior Services promotes education, health, and recreation programs throughout the year to assist and support the senior population. Approximately 350 households receive the quarterly *Senior Moments* Newsletter. Programs include: Exercise classes; Flu Clinics; Foot care; AARP Driver Safety Programs; educational and entertainment-oriented breakfasts and luncheons; as well as trips to area museums, professional theater productions, and attractions.

Senior Services also administers the East Granby Dial-A-Ride Service. The fourteen passenger, wheel-chair accessible, Mini-Bus provides trips to medical, dental, and personal care appointments. Trips are also scheduled to local shopping venues, grocery stores, banks, library, post office, and community events. Reservations are made by calling the mini-bus number at (860) 413-3327 at least 48 hours in advance. Voice mail records all reservations. The Mini-Bus operates approximately 25 hours per week.

The Senior Services office is located in the Senior/Community Center and is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. To receive a schedule or for more information, the Director can be reached at (860) 413-3334

Kelly Jacobs Director of Senior Services

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The East Granby Economic Development Commission meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Public Hearing Room at the Town Hall. A Zoom meeting link is also included in each month's agenda for those who would like to join remotely. The Commission is comprised of nine appointed members including seven regular members and two alternates.

As per CT General Statues Section 7-136,

"The commission shall conduct research into the economic conditions and trends in its municipality, shall make recommendations to appropriate officials and agencies of its municipality regarding action to improve its economic condition and development, shall seek to coordinate the activities of and cooperate with unofficial bodies organized to promote such economic development and may advertise and may prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts and pamphlets which in its judgment will further its official purposes."

### **Commission Goals**

The Economic Development Commission's primary goals are to develop policies, consistent with the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), that support business growth, development, retention, and expansion. As a Commission, the three primary goals are:

- 1. Increase revenue for the Town to help reduce the property tax burden.
- 2. Create good-paying jobs that are at least equivalent to the town's median household income;
- 3. Provide needed services to the local businesses and residents of East Granby.

### PLANNING AND ZONING

The East Granby Planning & Zoning Commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Hearing Room

The East Granby Planning & Zoning Commission is responsible for reviewing and acting on land use applications for municipal, commercial, and residential development. The Commission will hear and consider proposed amendments to the Zoning Regulations or Zoning Map. The Commission proactively undertakes proposed changes to the Zoning Regulations to keep with development trends or Statute changes. It will consider changes to the Zoning Map to provide greater consistency with the Town's Plan of Conservation & Development (POCD). The Commission is responsible for the updating of the Town's Plan and Conservation and Development every 10 years.

The following is a list of PZC applications for the past year:

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#22-01 – 46 East Street – Gary Ginsberg – Zone Change A to R-40
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# **INLAND WETLANDS/CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

The East Granby Conservation Commission meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Hearing Room.

The Conservation Commission acts as the official Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Agency for the Town of East Granby. In this capacity the Commission reviews site development application for any site improvements located within 100 feet of a wetland or watercourse as defined by state and local regulations. The Commission also determines wetland boundaries, jurisdictional rulings on "as of right uses", maintain and amend the Town Inland Wetland and Watercourse Regulations, and renew or amend existing wetland permits. The Commission first determines whether the proposed activity constitutes a "regulated or significant activity", and then reviews the application to determine that there are no "prudent or feasible alternatives". The main objective in their review is to administer the local and state regulations, and protect the designated wetlands, watercourses, vernal pools, and associated upland review areas, as well as the natural habitats and species that they support.

The Conservation Commission is also responsible for preserving the natural resources of the Town of East Granby and for keeping a town wide inventory of open spaces. The Commission functions in this capacity as an advisory board to the Planning and Zoning Commission and can conduct site walks, comment on natural resources, open space priorities, etc. The Conservation Commission also assists the Planning & Zoning Commission with updating the Plan of Conservation and Development - specifically sections that inventory and analyze the Town's natural resources and develop policies that promote preservation of the environment and protect environmentally sensitive areas.

The following is a list of Conservation Commission applications for the past year:

<sup>#22-02 –</sup> Winery Craft Café License – Timothy Brignole – Zone Text Amendment

<sup>#22-03 –</sup> Cannabis Establishments – PZC – Zone Text Amendment<sup>#</sup>

<sup>#22-04 –</sup> Warehouses in CPT Zone – Silverman Group – Zone Text Amendment

<sup>#22-05 – 103-113-115</sup> Hartford Avenue – Timothy Brignole – Site Plan Modification

<sup>#22-06 -</sup> Warehouses in CPT Zone - Silverman Group - Zone Text Amendment\*

<sup>#22-07 - 7, 11, 15, &</sup>amp; 17 Bradley Park Road - GFI Partners - Site Plan Modification

<sup>#22-08 -</sup> Cannabis Establishments - PZC - Zone Text Amendment

<sup>#22-09 - 1</sup> Gateway Boulevard - Meadow Street Partners - Zone Change CP-A to CPT

<sup>#22-10 –</sup> Multi-Family in VC Zone – F.A. Hesketh – Zone Text Amendment

<sup>#22-11 – 13</sup> Turkey Hills Road – Timothy Brignole – Zone Change PRD to VC

<sup>#22-12 –</sup> Brewery Craft Café License – Charles Glanovsky – Zone Text Amendment

<sup>\*</sup> Application Denied

<sup>#</sup>Application Withdrawn

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#CC22-01 – 46 East Street – Gary Ginsberg – Boundary Amendment & Upland Review #CC22-02 – 10 Connecticut South Drive – HARP Realty – Upland Review for Warehouse #CC22-03 – 10 Connecticut South Drive – HARP Realty – Upland Review for Warehouse #CC22-04 – 10 Connecticut South Drive – Sweat Equity, LLC – Upland Review for Self-Storage Facility #CC22-05 – Lot 21 Russelton Avenue – East Granby Land Trust – Regulated Activity in Wetland for Footbridge
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### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

The Building Department is comprised of an Administrative Assistant and a Building Official who also performs the duties of the Zoning Enforcement Officer and Inland/Wetlands Agent. The Town Planner and Town Engineer services are also located in the building office.

The Building Department function is to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare through proper application of the State Building Code and local town ordinances. The Building Official works closely with the Fire Marshal, the Farmington Valley Heath District, the East Granby Schools, and other East Granby officials in reviewing and approving construction projects proposed in East Granby.

The Building Department receives applications for building construction, additions, alterations, and repair work as required by the State Building Code. The Building Official reviews applications and construction documents and issues permits, inspects the premises for which such permits have been issued and enforces compliance with the provisions of the State Building Code.

The Building Department maintains records for construction activity for every property in East Granby. It also acts as the land use office providing information on planning, zoning, wetlands, and economic development issues. It is often the first point of contact for landowners and developers as they come to town for development interests. Applications for the various land use boards and commissions are processed through the department. The office is open during regular Town Hall business hours at which time applications can be processed, questions asked, and inspections scheduled. Various handouts are available to assist homeowners and builders with construction projects.

For Fiscal Year 21-22, the total number of permits issued increased from 642 to 728. The total fees collected also increased to \$220,364.42 for the fiscal year compared to \$175,414.50 collected for last fiscal year. See attached statistics.

<sup>\*</sup> Application Denied

<sup>#</sup>Application Withdrawn

### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT STATISTICS**

- 15 Residential Dwellings (New)
- 45 Residential (Additions/Alterations)
- 26 Residential Repairs Doors, Window Replacements, etc.
- 0 Commercial, Industrial, or Town Property (New)
- 16 Commercial, Industrial, or Town Property (Additions/Alterations/Repairs)
- 0 Additional Fees
- 0 Awnings
- 20 Above-Ground Pools/Hot Tubs
- 2 Antenna
- 1 Barn
- 4 Chimney or Chimney Liners
- 20 Decks
- 5 Detached Garages/Carports
- 2 Demolitions/Dismantling of Structures
- 0 Fencing
- 2 In-Ground Pools
- 1 Lean-To
- 2 Porch
- 1 Retaining Wall/Foundations/Concrete Pads
- 41 Roofs
- 6 Siding
- 1 Signs
- 25 Sheds/Greenhouses/Gazebos/Pavilions
- 32 Solar Panel Systems
- 20 Wood/Pellet Stoves or Propane Fireplace Inserts
- 2 Miscellaneous
- 198 Electrical
- 76 Plumbing
- 165 Mechanical

728 Total Permits with Estimated Cost of Construction of \$16,836,880.10

Total Money collected for Fiscal Year ending 6/30/22 for <u>Permits, Sales, & Other Fees:</u> <u>\$256,150.00</u>

# **REGISTRARS**

Registrar of Voters is an elected position governed by Connecticut General Statutes and financially supported by the Town. Two registrars, one for each major party, are elected every four years. Registrars work closely with the Secretary of the State's office to develop methods and procedures to ensure the voting rights of citizens and administer all elections, primaries, and referendums in an accurate, impartial manner based on current election laws. Each Registrar must appoint a Deputy Registrar to serve as needed throughout the year.

Registrars are required to complete a certification program within two years of taking office. Once certified, registrars need to complete at least eight hours of training per year as prescribed by the Secretary of State's office to maintain their certification along with an additional ten hours of election law and procedures training. Registrars must also acquire and maintain Election Moderator Certification. Registrars are members of the Registrar of Voters Association of Connecticut.

# Registrar responsibilities include:

- Maintaining the official voter eligibility lists for the town.
- Adding new voters and updating existing records through mail-in and on-line registration, DMV submissions and special registration sessions.
- Completing an annual voter canvass to determine changes of residence.
- Conducting elections, primaries, and referendums in compliance with State statutes and federal laws.
- Hiring and training poll workers which include moderators, absentee ballot counters, tabulator tenders, official checkers, and ballot clerks for all election events.
- Training assistant registrars to work as election officials to conduct Election Day Registration at a site separate from the polling place for all November elections.
- Maintaining and testing all voting machines before each election event.
- Holding special voter registration sessions throughout the year as mandated by election laws including a special voter registration at East Granby High School.
- Voter education including additional mandated registration information for high school students every September and updating the Registrar of Voters page on the Town website.

Our office hours are Tuesdays, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Additional office hours and voter registration sessions are held throughout the year as mandated by State election laws.

Highlights of the Fiscal Year 7/1/2021 through 6/30/2022:

- Municipal Election was held 11/2/2021.
- Budget Referendum was held 5/12/2022.
- Completed annual Canvass to identify electors who no longer live in town.
- Student Voter Registration Session was held 4/26/2022 at East Granby High School with 24 new voters registered.

As of the 6/28/2022, there were 3,646 active registered voters in East Granby. Overall voter registration activity during FY 2021-2022 was 280 new voters added, 296 voter records changed (due to name and/or address changes), and 334 electors removed from the official voter list due

to moves out of town or deaths. This volume of voter registration activity represented a 46% decrease in activity from the prior fiscal year.

Cindy Krogh Clark, Democratic Registrar Michele Marin, Republican Registrar

### PARK AND RECREATION

The East Granby Parks & Recreation Commission regularly meets on the first Thursday of each month (with the exception of July) at 6:30 p.m. at the East Granby Town Hall located at 9 Center Street. Current members are Patrick Gill (Chairman), Chrissy Leadbeater (Vice Chairman), Nicole Sokolowski (Treasurer), Karen Hines, Jim Gothers, Bob Raven-Seger, Marc Dlugolenski, Morgan Bengel and Carly McKenney.

Alicia VanNeil serves as the full-time director of programming. The majority of programs are run from a round fund where charges are re-deposited. This fund allows us the opportunity to offer programs in a greater number and variety for all age groups. Alicia has done a great job instituting new and interesting programs as well as continuing the long-standing favorites. Popular programs include Yoga and Zumba exercise classes as well as a new Adult Watercolor Art Class. For after-school programs the office worked to offer a Middle School Running club and a new Girl on an Adventure program. Also, in the summer of 2022 we worked collaboratively with Granby to offer two new camps in Circuit Labs and Fun 4 All. Most programs had strong attendance and our director is always looking to offer diverse programs that are suitable for all town members.

A Facebook page is available for the EG Parks & Recreation which allows residents to be up to date on all park & recreation activities. We also continue to offer on-line payment and program registration thru the <a href="mailto:eastgranbyrec.com">eastgranbyrec.com</a> website. The on-line registration process continues to make things much more convenient for families.

The Commission is responsible for setting all recreational policies and has the responsibility to maintain and upkeep the Farmington Valley Heritage Trail (within the East Granby town limits) as well as the local parks which include Granbrook, Cowles and East Granby Farms. Our responsibilities at the schools are minimal and are mainly handled by one outside contractor who mows, limes, and fertilizes the "grass areas" as well as spring infield grooming at the High School baseball field.

Some of our accomplishments this past year include:

- Continued replacement and repair of the fence rails on the Farmington Valley Heritage Trail as well as repairs to the pavement.
- Enhancement to both the biking and walking trails at Cowles Park.

• The Commission also sponsors several "no charge" special programs throughout the year including the annual Easter Egg Hunt, a "Last Blast of Summer Concert", a trick or treat Halloween celebration held at Newgate Prison and the annual tree lighting event (which included a new luminary display this year) at the town hall complex in memory of Jacky Welsh.

As always, our concentration will be the continued diversity of the programs we offer and the expansion and maintenance of our park system.

Respectfully submitted, Patrick D. Gill, Chairman

# **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

# **Mission Statement:**

The East Granby Fire Department is committed to saving lives and protecting property through community engagement and emergency response.

# **Vision Statement:**

The East Granby Fire Department shall adapt to the changing needs of our community by delivering a high standard of service while showing compassion at all times.

#### **Core Values:**

We are committed to excellence
We are prepared to serve.
We will serve with integrity.
We will treat everyone with compassion.

Members of the Town of East Granby's Fire Department proudly serve their community on a 100% volunteer basis 24/7/365 and has been doing so since 1929. Fire and rescue services are provided under the leadership of Fire Chief Kerry Flaherty from two fire stations located in Town. The first, known as "The Center Station," is located at 7 Veterans Memorial Drive and the second, "South End Station" situated at 1 Seymour Road. The Department is comprised of 40 members including a cadet corps between the ages of 14 – 17 years of age. Additional leadership of the department is comprised of an Assistant Chief, two Captains and four Lieutenants. We are fortunate that we have a dedicated group of members that maintain national levels of fire service certifications. This allows EGFD to have a larger contingent (25) of interior qualified firefighters. All exterior firefighters are required to take training in pump operations, hazardous materials incidents, basic life support, wild land firefighting, and heavy vehicle rescue operations.

EGFD is extremely fortunate to have an auxiliary force that supports fire department operations in emergency and non-emergency operations. Largely composed of citizens that do not wish to be firefighters but *desire to serve their community*, the auxiliary provides firefighter rehabilitation services at emergencies and supports the department and community in non-

emergency functions such as the distribution of face masks and Covid 19 test kits. Our auxiliary may expand their operation to support the surrounding towns' fire departments. This past year we responded to 222 emergency calls for service. The most common call for service is motor vehicle accidents with injuries. The major response areas for motor vehicle accidents continues to be Routes 20, 187, 189, Newgate Road and Holcombe Street. East Granby Fire Department typically drills on two to three Monday nights every month. We will usually hold large scale drills and exercises on Saturday's two or three times a year. With the easing of Covid 19 restrictions, we are now able to implement our full training program. Many additional hours of volunteer service are given by members over those required to emergency responses, these include: the average member receives approximately 100 hours of training annually with the officers receiving an additional 32 hours of supervisor training. EGFD is an active participant in mutual aid throughout our immediate area and on a statewide basis if requested. The Department is part of TASK FORCE 52 which is comprised of Suffield, Windsor Locks, Windsor, Bloomfield, Connecticut Air National Guard Fire Department, Bradley Airport Fire Department and Collins Aerospace Industrial Fire Department. TASK FORCE 52 provides immediate support to the Town of East Granby as well as our neighboring

#### 2022 SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

communities.

- A grant was received through Assistance to Firefighters Grant. Federal resources awarded total \$209,524 and are earmarked to replace the entire inventory of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).
- A comprehensive study was completed by Dynamix Consulting Group to produce a fire and emergency services plan. These recommendations have begun to be implemented.
- Technology implementation took place to include electronic management of fire reports and mobile data terminals installed in all fire apparatus.
- A training officer was appointed, training program written, and onboarding of several new members.
- An administrator was hired.
- Annual Christmas Tree sale which is the major fund raiser for the department. Funds that are raised through Christmas tree sales and other donations are used to provide firefighting equipment for the Town.

# **UPCOMING DEPARTMENTAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Further grant applications for needed safety and cancer reduction equipment
- Training of new members to obtain Firefighter I certification
- Acceptance of a used fire apparatus and related training
- Fire station security measures

EGFD is always recruiting new members, primarily as firefighters. However, membership to the Organization is available to those people with multiple skills as technical members or members of the Auxiliary. Inquiries for membership can be made at any fire station or calling (860)653-6267.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

The Emergency Management Office for the Town of East Granby is currently located in the East Granby Town Hall. It is comprised of the Emergency Management Director and 2 Deputy Directors. This office works on an as needed basis. This office has been combined with the East Granby Fire Marshal's Office.

The Emergency Management Office is responsible for keeping the Local Emergency Operations Plan up to date for the Town of East Granby and assumes the position of the planning coordinator for the Emergency Operations Center. The Emergency Operations Center, when activated, is located in the Meeting Room in the East Granby Town Hall.

The Emergency Management Office coordinates the operation of the shelter located at the East Granby Community Center and works to develop a list of assets the town may need in a major emergency. Every year the Emergency Management Office coordinates the operations for participation in the Governors Statewide Disaster Drill.

This office works with the Town of East Granby School system to develop the All-Hazards School Security and Safety Plan. We attend meetings and seminars around the state and region to stay updated on new safety and security plan information. We observe and coordinator with the school system their emergency lock down drills, protect in place drills and weather event drills. A member of the emergency management office is also on all the school safety committees.

The Emergency Management Office receives e-mails and phone call information for weather-related events and sends out updates as needed. E-mails are reviewed 24 hours a day to be able to send an emergency update at any time day or night when it is needed.

We are the coordinator with the town Eversource Liaison to notify and update on road closures and wire down locations during major storm events.

As the state and country continues to monitor COVID exposures the East Granby Emergency Management Office receives updates from our DEMHS Region 3 Coordinator to assist us in operations.

Respectfully Submitted, Kenneth F. Beliveau Fire Marshal / Emergency Management Director Town of East Granby

### **FIRE MARSHAL**

The Office of the Fire Marshal for East Granby is located at the Town Hall and is comprised of four people, the Fire Marshal and three Deputy Fire Marshal, all working part time.

Local fire marshals are responsible for the enforcement of many of the sections found in Chapter 541 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as well as numerous codes, which are promulgated under the provision of these statutes. This office is required by State Statutes to inspect all existing buildings and residential occupancies, 3 family and above. Inspections for buildings under construction are conducted during the course of construction.

The East Granby Fire Marshal's Office investigates the cause, origin, and circumstances of all fires within the town and report the same to the State Fire Marshal. We are also required to conduct review of plans and specifications for various occupancies and facilities being proposed within the town for compliance with the Connecticut Fire Safety Regulations, be certified by the State Fire Marshal; obtain 90 hours of continuing education over 3 years to maintain certification by attending schools and seminars to keep abreast of the codes, regulations, and new technology and provide safety tips and give advice to the public.

The East Granby Fire Marshal's Office is also the Burning Official for the Town of East Granby. If you would like to burn brush, you need to come to the East Granby Fire Marshal's Office or visit the Fire Marshal's section of the Town web site to obtain a permit for \$25.00 and follow the "Guidelines for Open Burning" that are provided to you.

Along with the Public Fire Education Program provided by the Fire Marshal's Office is the annual Fire Prevention Poster Contest. This annual statewide competition for fourth and fifth graders are run by elementary school teachers in cooperation with the contest sponsors: The Connecticut Fire Marshal's Association, Office of State Fire Marshal, Connecticut Fire Chief's Association, State Board of Education, and the Connecticut Fair Plan. In December 2021 the winning posters were drawn for East Granby with Lacey Payette being the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade winner and Veronica Goncalves being the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade winner. All town winners throughout the state then go to the county contest. Once all the county winners have been selected these are then judged for one of them to become the state winner. Their poster is then use for the State Poster for Fire Prevention Week that year.

A smoke detector and CO detector replacement program is being done by the East Granby Fire Marshal's Office. A representative of the Fire Marshal's Office will review the status of the smoke detectors and CO detectors in your home. If the detector is older than 10 years it will be replaced. If it is not older than 10 years a new battery will be installed if needed. The East Granby Fire Marshal's Office strongly encourages residents to take advantage of our free smoke detector testing and replacement program. A simple call or email to our office and we will come out and check your detectors free of charge. We offer free replacement of battery operated detectors. Smoke detectors have a lifespan of ten years and have been proven to save lives. Help us keep you and your family safe by taking advantage of this program. We can be reached at 860-653-3444 and 860-653-3434 or due to our varying part time hours, email can be a quicker way to contact us at <a href="mailto:eastgranbyfiremarshal@egtownhall.com">eastgranbyfiremarshal@egtownhall.com</a>

For physical year 2021-2022 the East Granby Fire Marshal's Office did 466 inspections, 5 smoke detector replacements, issued 12 burning permits, attended 12 fire drills / lock down drills, did 21 plan review, attended 2 health and safety meetings, and did 9 investigations. The East Granby Fire Marshal's Office is on call 24 hours a day.

Of the 9 investigations 2 were major fires. On July14, 2021, a fire occurred at 3 Randall Avenue. The fire started in the bathroom of the home and extended into the attic space. The fire was started by a failure of the fan in the bathroom and is listed as an accidental fire. He second fire was on August 14, 2021 at 16 Wyncairne. The fire started in the ceiling of the pool mechanical room and spread throughout the home. Due to the damage in the area of origin the fire is listed as undetermined.

Respectfully Submitted Kenneth F. Beliveau Fire Marshal / Emergency Management Director Town of East Granby

# **LIBRARY**

#### **Mission Statement**

The East Granby Public Library is a friendly, welcoming gathering spot that offers materials, services, programs, and cultural events to meet the community's personal, professional, educational, social, and civic needs.

#### **General Services**

The 2021-2022 year finally started to feel normal with a return to normal operations after the COVID-19 pandemic. We held a total of 322 programs, with 305 in-person and 17 virtual. For all of our programs, we had over 4,600 patrons in attendance. This is an increase from the previous fiscal year. We continue to offer our computers and meeting room space for patrons who need them. Our circulation numbers remain strong, and we continue to expand the offerings available.

Throughout the year we responded to the changing environment and created a library that can better serve its community. We saw a need for more technological offerings to our patrons so through a Hartford Foundation for Public Giving grant, we were able to add two 3D printers to the library. We continued to offer curbside service for patrons most comfortable picking up their materials outside. This will likely remain a permanent offering. The library is also now able to provide notary services.

To encourage outdoor activity, we continued to update the story trail on the East Granby Land Trust property at Ian Clark Preserve on Kimberly Road with new stories seasonally.

### **Buildings and Grounds**

The Library received money from the ARPA Grant funds which allowed us to make our conference rooms "smart" conference rooms; allowing for more virtual programming as well as simultaneous hosting of live programs while including online attendees.

We also obtained an outdoor book return that allows patrons to return their books from their vehicles without having to walk up to the building.

In the spring of 2022, we submitted our request to access the American Rescue Funds for the installation and upgrade of new mechanical equipment and controls for the HVAC system at the library. This request was reviewed and approved. The bid process proceeded and SAV-MOR was awarded the project in May 2022. Project work performed in the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

# **Annual Budget**

The budget for the 2021/2022 fiscal year was \$290,528. The town's contribution was \$213,800 representing 74% of the budget. The remaining 26% came from our Annual Fund Drive, the Juried Art Show fundraiser, Bingo fundraisers, interest on trusts, donations by charitable groups, the State of Connecticut, copy and fax fees, and book sales.

#### Fine Free

Research has shown that charging fines is a barrier to access. The library made the decision to eliminate fines altogether. Being a fine-free library makes the East Granby Public Library accessible to all in the community.

# 2021-2022 Library Board of Directors

President – Kerri Cavanaugh
Vice President – Ginny Grossman
Treasurer – Matt Smith
Secretary – Lauren Farley

Members - Joe Spirko, Jennifer Hecht, Bridget Stone

#### **Library Staff**

Library Director – Doreen Jacius Youth Services Librarian – Amy Thompson Financial Clerk – Monique Gerken Cataloger – Angela Bleimeyer

Circulation Staff – Erin Henrickson, Sharon Moson, Jocelyn Mullins, Lin Murphy-Nicotera, Jan Petersen, Kyle Spears

ILL/Circulation - Pam Carroll

ILL – Caroline White

Historical Room – Amanda Thompson, Cal Thompson

Library Pages - Sheza Chaudry, Sarah Jacius, Kaitlyn McDonough, Nate Welsh

Respectfully Submitted, Monique Gerken Library Director



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Finance

Town of East Granby, Connecticut

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut (the Town), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of East Granby, Connecticut, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Town and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Town's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 15 and the information on pages 50 through 57 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

# Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements. The accompanying combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates

directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated December 13, 2022, on our consideration of the Town's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Town's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Certified Public Accountants

Mahoney Sabol & Coupeny, LLP

Glastonbury, Connecticut

December 13, 2022

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Town of East Granby, Connecticut (the Town), have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Town's significant accounting policies are described below.

#### Financial Reporting Entity

### **History and Organization**

The Town was formed under the Statutes of the State of Connecticut and is governed by an elected Board of Selectmen, a Board of Finance and through Town meetings. The Town provides general government, culture and recreation, public safety, public works, sanitation and education services.

The Board of Selectmen is the executive branch of the Town and is responsible for the administration of the Town. The legislative power, including enacting, amending or repealing ordinances and resolutions, is conducted through Town Meetings. The Board of Finance is responsible for financial and taxation matters as prescribed by Connecticut General Statutes and is responsible for presenting fiscal operating budgets for Town Meeting approval.

The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only the funds of the Town as no component units exist based on operational or financial relationships with the Town.

#### **Jointly Governed Organizations**

The Town is a member of the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG), which is a voluntary Council of Governments formed to initiate and implement regional programs of benefit to member towns within the Greater Hartford region. CRCOG is governed by the chief elected officials of 38 Metro Hartford municipalities and the First Selectman of the Town serves on the CRCOG's governing Board.

The Town is a member of the Farmington Valley Health District (the Health District), which provides food protection, environmental health, community health and emergency preparedness services to its ten member towns. A member of the Town's Board of Selectmen serves on the Health District's governing Board.

The Town is a founding member, along with the Towns of Suffield, Windsor, and Windsor Locks, of the Bradley Development League (BDL). The BDL consists of a private/public board of directors, and allows its member towns and the State to more effectively market the area. The First Selectman of the Town currently serves on the BDL's governing Board.

#### **Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

#### **Government-wide Financial Statements**

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Town and include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. The statements distinguish between governmental and business-type activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through payments from the member towns, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions.

#### BALANCE SHEET -GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2022

			Special			Special	ı				
			Capital Projects Funds		Revenue Fund						
			C	Capital and			-	Education	1	Nonmajor	Total
		General	No	onrecurring	Ca	pital Bond		Program	Go	vernmental	Governmental
		Fund		Fund		Fund		Fund		Funds	Funds
ASSETS											
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	12,527,491	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,293,496	\$	631,565	\$ 14,452,552
Investments		31,140		-		-		-		15,009	46,149
Receivables:											
Property taxes and interest, net		309,235		-		-		-		-	309,235
Grants and contracts		-		-		-		31,377		-	31,377
Other		81,103		-		-		-		343,814	424,917
Due from other funds	_	593,880	_	1,519,451	_	2,153,926	_	-	_	4,274,014	8,541,271
Total assets	\$	13,542,849	\$	1,519,451	\$	2,153,926	\$	1,324,873	\$	5,264,402	\$ 23,805,501
LIABILITIES											
Accounts payable	\$	553,216	\$	51,263	\$	299,089	\$	155,153	\$	163,802	\$ 1,222,523
Salaries and benefits payable		95,556		-		-		-		-	95,556
Performance bonds payable		212,088		-		-		-		-	212,088
Due to other funds		7,947,391		-		-		-		593,880	8,541,271
Unearned revenue		-		-		-		-		811,951	811,951
Total liabilities		8,808,251		51,263	_	299,089		155,153		1,569,633	10,883,389
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES											
Unavailable revenue		243,652		-		-		-		193,011	436,663
Advanced tax collections		10,281		-		-		-		-	10,281
Total deferred inflows of resources		253,933		-		-	_	-		193,011	446,944
FUND BALANCES											
Restricted for:											
Capital purposes		-		184,276		1,854,837		-		-	2,039,113
Road maintenance and improvements		-		-		-		-		1,417,785	1,417,785
Educational purposes		-		-		-		1,169,720		367,008	1,536,728
Other purposes		-		-		-		-		105,576	105,576
Committed for:											
Capital purposes		-		885,870		-		-		194,873	1,080,743
Educational purposes		-		-		-		-		313,767	313,767
Sanitation programs		-		-		-		-		157,080	157,080
Other purposes		-		-		-		-		1,539,990	1,539,990
Assigned to:											
Capital purposes		-		398,042		-		-		-	398,042
Encumbrances		111,584		-		-		-		-	111,584
Use in subsequent year's budget		760,629		-		-		-		-	760,629
Unassigned	_	3,608,452				-				(594,321)	3,014,131
Total fund balances		4,480,665		1,468,188		1,854,837		1,169,720		3,501,758	12,475,168
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$	13,542,849	\$	1,519,451	\$	2,153,926	\$	1,324,873	\$	5,264,402	\$ 23,805,501

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

				Special			
			jects Funds	Revenue Fund Education			
		•	Capital and		Nonmajor	Total	
	General	Nonrecurring	Capital Bond	Program	Governmental	Governmental	
	Fund	Fund	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds	
REVENUES							
Property taxes	\$ 20,764,182	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,764,182	
Intergovernmental	4,886,639	25,638	-	1,202,300	1,750,444	7,865,021	
Charges for services	563,579	-	-	456,144	878,912	1,898,635	
Interest income	31,109	4,960	-	-	6,613	42,682	
Other	15,001	2,302		-	70,457	87,760	
Total revenues	26,260,510	32,900		1,658,444	2,706,426	30,658,280	
EXPENDITURES							
Current:							
General government	2,646,562	-	-	-	116,514	2,763,076	
Culture and recreation	327,791	-	-	-	431,871	759,662	
Public safety	1,011,643	-	-	-	11,211	1,022,854	
Public works	766,900	-	-	-	910,482	1,677,382	
Sanitation	313,413	-	-	-	459,202	772,615	
Education	20,345,833	-	-	1,215,389	190,489	21,751,711	
Capital outlays	-	619,412	1,668,556	-	-	2,287,968	
Debt service	789,363		-	-		789,363	
Total expenditures	26,201,505	619,412	1,668,556	1,215,389	2,119,769	31,824,631	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues							
over expenditures	59,005	(586,512)	(1,668,556)	443,055	586,657	(1,166,351)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
Bonds issued	-	-	9,900,000	-	-	9,900,000	
Premium on bonds issued	-	-	1,445,219	-	-	1,445,219	
Payment of bond anticipation notes	-	-	(7,000,000)	-	-	(7,000,000)	
Transfers in	100,733	600,000	-	-	1,445,219	2,145,952	
Transfers out	(600,000)		(1,445,219)	-	(100,733)	(2,145,952)	
Total other financing sources (uses)	(499,267)	600,000	2,900,000	-	1,344,486	4,345,219	
Net change in fund balances	(440,262)	13,488	1,231,444	443,055	1,931,143	3,178,868	
Fund balances - beginning	4,920,927	1,454,700	623,393	726,665	1,570,615	9,296,300	
Fund balances - ending	\$ 4,480,665	\$ 1,468,188	\$ 1,854,837	\$ 1,169,720	\$ 3,501,758	\$ 12,475,168	

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budgeted	l Amounts		Variance With Final Budget	
	Original	Final	Actual	Over (Under)	
REVENUES:					
PROPERTY TAXES:					
Property taxes - current year	\$ 20,560,405	\$ 20,560,405	\$ 20,490,485	\$ (69,920)	
Property taxes - prior years	138,684	138,684	161,228	22,544	
Interest and lien fees	80,785	80,785	112,469	31,684	
Total property taxes	20,779,874	20,779,874	20,764,182	(15,692)	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL:					
Education cost sharing	1,422,092	1,422,092	1,450,382	28,290	
PILOT - Airport Authority	661,859	661,859	683,517	21,658	
Municipal grants-in-aid	400,000	400,000	52,544	(347,456)	
Special education excess cost	100,000	100,000	220,498	120,498	
Telephone line tax	13,251	13,251	9,319	(3,932)	
Property tax relief	3,762	3,762	3,370	(392)	
Adult education	1,513	1,513	1,590	77	
Other	<u> </u>		609	609	
Total intergovernmental	2,602,477	2,602,477	2,421,829	(180,648)	
CHARGES FOR SERVICES:					
Building permits	80,000	80,000	252,047	172,047	
Conveyance taxes	80,000	80,000	160,969	80,969	
Other fees	35,000	35,000	33,426	(1,574)	
Aircraft registration fees	31,000	31,000	25,500	(5,500)	
Recording fees	40,000	40,000	43,552	3,552	
Miscellaneous	<u> </u>		15,001	15,001	
Total charges for services	266,000	266,000	530,495	264,495	
INTEREST INCOME	63,277	63,277	31,109	(32,168)	
Total revenues	23,711,628	23,711,628	23,747,615	35,987	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:					
Appropriation of fund balance	638,180	638,180	-	(638,180)	
Prior year unliquidated encumbrances	<u> </u>		55,045	55,045	
Total other financing sources	638,180	638,180	55,045	(583,135)	
Total revenues and other financing sources	\$ 24,349,808	\$ 24,349,808	\$ 23,802,660	\$ (547,148)	

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final		unts	_		Variance With Final Budget		
			Final			Actual	Over	(Under)
EXPENDITURES:								
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:								
Selectmen's office	\$	195,198	\$	215,198	\$	215,176	\$	(22)
Probate		2,000		2,000		2,000		-
Registrars		48,425		42,425		42,423		(2)
Board of Finance		1,700		1,700		1,594		(106)
Audit		24,300		21,533		21,390		(143)
Assessor's office		144,029		144,029		144,029		-
Assessment of appeals		150		150		44		(106)
Tax collector's office		107,395		106,395		103,786		(2,609)
Treasurer's office		24,629		24,629		24,509		(120)
Legal		15,000		15,000		11,260		(3,740)
Town clerk's office		122,843		128,843		127,072		(1,771)
Planning and Zoning Commission		102,006		82,006		80,283		(1,723)
Data services		123,906		131,906		131,553		(353)
Public buildings		200,600		200,600		199,158		(1,442)
Building inspector		134,592		134,592		134,592		-
Engineering		16,000		16,000		8,748		(7,252)
Health services		38,529		38,529		38,480		(49)
Social services		23,940		23,940		23,431		(509)
Insurance		775,344		765,344		760,269		(5,075)
Economic and development		49,000		49,000		32,644		(16,356)
Animal control		11,000		11,000		11,000		-
Payroll taxes		170,510		174,510		171,525		(2,985)
Street lighting		38,000		34,000		27,283		(6,717)
Dues and memberships		21,604		22,371		22,371		-
Commission on aging		58,875		63,875		62,644		(1,231)
Commission on youth services		20,000		24,000		23,973		(27)
Utilities		166,410		171,410		168,560		(2,850)
Facilities maintenance		57,200		57,200		57,200		-
Total general government		2,693,185		2,702,185		2,646,997		(55,188)
CULTURE AND RECREATION:								
Library		213,800		213,800		213,800		-
Parks and recreation		114,825		111,825		110,817		(1,008)
Total culture and recreation		328,625		325,625		324,617		(1,008)
							(Co	ontinued)

# SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budgeted	d Amounts		Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)	
	Original	Final	Actual		
EXPENDITURES (Continued):					
PUBLIC SAFETY:					
Fire department	\$ 193,448	\$ 207,381	\$ 207,381	\$ -	
Police department	653,979	653,979	653,678	(301)	
Fire marshal	70,976	78,976	76,996	(1,980)	
Ambulance service	62,868	62,868	62,868		
Total public safety	981,271	1,003,204	1,000,923	(2,281)	
PUBLIC WORKS	760,830	760,830	760,830		
DEBT SERVICE:					
Principal	530,702	530,702	530,257	(445)	
Interest	259,106	259,106	158,373	(100,733)	
Total debt service	789,808	789,808	688,630	(101,178)	
SANITATION	252,089	272,089	265,328	(6,761)	
EDUCATION	17,890,000	17,890,000	17,827,433	(62,567)	
CONTINGENCY	54,000	6,067		(6,067)	
Total expenditures	23,749,808	23,749,808	23,514,758	(235,050)	
OTHER FINANCING USES:					
TRANSFERS OUT:					
Capital and Nonrecurring Fund	600,000	600,000	600,000		
Total expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 24,349,808	\$ 24,349,808	\$ 24,114,758	\$ (235,050)	
				(Concluded)	

# SCHEDULE OF EDUCATION EXPENDITURES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Budgeted	l Amounts		Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)	
	Original	Final	Actual		
EXPENDITURES:					
EDUCATION					
Certified personnel	\$ 8,526,524	\$ 8,526,524	\$ 8,679,215	\$ 152,691	
Noncertified personnel	1,698,754	1,698,754	1,672,677	(26,077)	
Certified substitutes	125,000	125,000	159,758	34,758	
Custodial overtime - events	-	-	2,584	2,584	
Contracted substitutes	40,000	40,000	23,246	(16,754)	
Other salaries	216,106	216,106	207,996	(8,110)	
Group health life insurance	2,710,000	2,710,000	2,275,807	(434,193)	
Social security	130,000	130,000	126,360	(3,640)	
Medicare	155,000	155,000	158,091	3,091	
Employer pension	70,000	70,000	71,180	1,180	
Unemployment payments	27,900	27,900	11,600	(16,300)	
Workers' compensation	81,000	81,000	41,954	(39,046)	
Professional improvement	80,000	80,000	31,146	(48,854)	
Assessment services	1,050	1,050	701	(349)	
Other professional & technology services	437,694	437,694	769,586	331,892	
Data processing	30,465	30,465	23,372	(7,093)	
Water/sewage	30,143	30,143	25,345	(4,798)	
Rubbish removal	13,900	13,900	15,893	1,993	
Contracted maintenance services	190,110	190,110	170,993	(19,117)	
Repairs to buildings	86,600	86,600	123,353	36,753	
Pupil transportation	1,003,674	1,003,674	986,406	(17,268)	
Property insurance	40,000	40,000	47,789	7,789	
Liability insurance	31,275	31,275	27,595	(3,680)	
Errors & omissions insurance	16,590	16,590	13,643	(2,947)	
Telephone	40,365	40,365	40,489	124	
Postage	8,774	8,774	5,467	(3,307)	
Advertisements	1,000	1,000	907	(93)	
Job printing & binding	5,350	5,350	1,389	(3,961)	
Public school tuition	230,077	230,077	338,642	108,565	
Private school tuition	785,000	785,000	760,578	(24,422)	
Travel & conferences	10,452	10,452	5,532	(4,920)	
Field trips	2,620	2,620	924	(1,696)	
Supplies	98,820	98,820	83,887	(14,933)	
Custodial supplies	31,400	31,400	50,137	18,737	
Natural gas	26,000	26,000	34,290	8,290	
Electricity	434,885	434,885	378,127	(56,758)	
Propane gas	500	500	152	(348)	
Heating supplies oil	108,351	108,351	109,305	954	
Books/textbooks/workbooks	75,281	75,281	32,603	(42,678)	
Licenses/subscriptions	134,683	134,683	147,544	12,861	
Equipment	75,011	75,011	38,469	(36,542)	
Memberships & special programs	41,146	41,146	39,892	(1,254)	
Legal fees	38,500	38,500	92,809	54,309	
Total education expenditures	\$ 17,890,000	\$ 17,890,000	\$ 17,827,433	\$ (62,567)	
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