

TOWN OF CANTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Regular Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 7:00 pm
Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Conference Room F
Consideration of and possible action on the following items

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION *(5 minute time limit per speaker on any item)*

The Board of Selectmen welcomes and encourages the public to speak during the Public Participation portion of the agenda. The purpose of public participation is to communicate to the Board of Selectmen any concerns or comments that members of the public may have. The public may speak on any topic, including items mentioned on the Agenda. There is a time limit of 5 minutes per speaker. The time limit cannot be yielded to another individual. In most circumstances this will be the public's only opportunity to comment. The Board of Selectmen will discuss the agenda items below with invited public officials and/or guests. It is important that the Selectmen allow this time for its exclusive use so that the agenda items can be properly presented and debated among members of the Board.

Most of the documents reviewed by the Board of Selectmen at tonight's meeting can be located at <http://www.townofcantonct.org/content/6662/default.aspx> or by scanning the QR code below.



III. APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

- A. Appointment of Anthony Asaro (R) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting
- B. Appointment of Robert Yagid (U) as an alternate to the Collinsville Historic District Commission for a term to expire on 6/30/2017

IV. PRESENTATION

- A. Swearing in of new Board of Selectmen members for a term to begin on November 18, 2015
- B. Update on the Pavement Management Program by the Department of Public Works.

V. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Accept additional monetary gift in the amount of \$2747.69 from the Cherry Brook PTO to pay for the Pavilion
- B. Accept the Youth Services Grant Award and Supplemental Grant Award for a total of \$18,653.00 and refer to Board of Finance for final approval.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

VII. CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider accepting a gift from the Farmington Valley Trail's Council for a Bike Fit-It Station

- B. Review tax exemption ordinance for farm equipment and farm buildings pursuant to C.G.S. 12-91 and possibly set date and time for public hearing.
- C. Update on litigation and other legal matter involving the Town of Canton.
- D. Set date and time for a Town Meeting to vote on whether to rescind the Design Review Team ordinance.

VIII. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- A. Approval of Board of Selectmen Minutes: 10-28-2015 Regular Meeting

IX. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CAO, TOWN AGENCIES, OFFICIALS AND/OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS

- A. First Selectman's Report
- B. CAO Report
- C. Correspondence-
 - 1. Canton Historical Society

IX. REMARKS BY SELECTMEN

X. ADJOURMENT



TOWN OF CANTON
 P.O. Box 168, 4 Market Street
 Collinsville, CT 06022

www.townofcantonct.org

Volunteer Board, Committee and Commission Application

The Town of Canton has emerged as a community that has been built upon the sacrifice of its citizens. Since its incorporation, the Town has benefited from the dedication of its residents to employ civic responsibility and continuously engage in community volunteerism. Please complete this application and submit it along with your resume and a letter of intent to the First Selectman at the above address if you would like to be a part of Canton's growth and progress.

Name: TONY ASARO

Mailing Address: 22 SECRET LAKE RD CANTON

E-mail Address: TASARO@COMCAST.NET

Phone: (H) 860-693-8987 Phone: (C) 860-805-6358

*Are you a registered voter in the Town of Canton? YES If so, please indicate affiliation (required): REP.

Occupation: RETIRED

Current Employer: _____

Position / Title: _____ Phone (W): _____

Board, Committee and / or Commission on which you currently serve: NONE

Please indicate any information (experience, education, community activities, organizations, etc.) which you think should be considered for your appointment to this Board, Committee or Commission. Use additional paper if necessary. Reason(s) for seeking appointment:

Signature: Date: 10/24/15

Please check the appropriate box below indicating which Board(s), Committee(s) or Commission(s) you are interested in serving on. Only voters registered in the Town of Canton are eligible to serve.

- Canton Board of Ethics
- Canton Center Historic District Commission
- Canton Housing Authority
- Canton Public Library Board of Trustees
- Collinsville Historic District Commission
- Commission on Aging
- Conservation Commission
- Economic Development Agency
- Energy Committee
- Farmington River Coordinating Committee
- Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency
- Juvenile Review Board

- Parks & Recreation Commission
- Pension Committee
- Permanent Municipal Building Committee
- Plainville Area Cable Tele. Advisory Coun.
- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Town Meeting Moderator
- Water Pollution Control Authority
- Youth Services Bureau
- Zoning Board of Appeals
- Temporary FIRE STATION STUDY CMTE
- Temporary _____
- Temporary _____

In order to fill a vacancy, the selected applicant will be asked to attend a Board of Selectmen meeting for an interview and appointment. Board of Selectmen meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Canton Community Center in Conference Room F.



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Name: Robert Yagid

Mailing Address: 23 High Street, Collinsville CT

E-mail Address: robert.yagid@gmail.com

Phone: (H) n/a Phone: (C) 203-470-3301

*Are you a registered voter in the Town of Canton? Yes If so, please indicate affiliation (required): Independent

Occupation: Editor

Current Employer: Taunton Press

Position / Title: Chief Editor: Fine Homebuilding & GreenBuildingAdvisor.com Phone (W): 203-304-3586

Board, Committee and / or Commission on which you **currently** serve: _____

Please indicate any information (experience, education, community activities, organizations, etc.) which you think should be considered for your appointment to this Board, Committee or Commission. *Use additional paper if necessary.* Reason(s) for seeking appointment:

My background, combined with years of working with the top residential architects, builders and designers in the country, has given me a unique and comprehensive understanding of construction and architecture. I'd like to put that experience to use in an effort to help preserve the character of Collinsville through sensible and appropriate development.

Signature: _____ Date: 10/28/2015

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Canton Board of Ethics | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canton Center Historic District Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Pension Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canton Housing Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Municipal Building Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canton Public Library Board of Trustees | <input type="checkbox"/> Plainville Area Cable Tele. Advisory Coun. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Collinsville Historic District Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning and Zoning Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commission on Aging <i>AH, available</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Town Meeting Moderator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Pollution Control Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Services Bureau |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farmington River Coordinating Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary _____ |
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Rob Yagid
23 High Street
Collinsville, Connecticut 06019
(203)470-3301
Robert.Yagid@gmail.com

EDUCATION

- B.A. in Journalism, Quinnipiac University, 2001-2005

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE & SKILLS

Chief Editor: June 2015-Present

Fine Homebuilding Magazine, The Taunton Press (Newtown, Connecticut)

GreenBuildingAdvisor.com, The Taunton Press (Newtown, Connecticut)

- Lead content strategy for all print and digital assets across all channels
- Content lead on site redesign and new product development
- Develop the full editorial schedules for Fine Homebuilding print and Special Issue titles
- Lead sponsored, custom and native content solutions for national advertising clients

Executive Editor: June 2014-June 2015

Fine Homebuilding Magazine, The Taunton Press (Newtown, Connecticut)

- Develop the full editorial schedule for six core issues and two annual issues
- Manage annual HOUSES Awards program and all print and digital assets
- Support chief editor in new product development

Design Editor: July 2012-June 2014

Fine Homebuilding Magazine, The Taunton Press (Newtown, Connecticut)

- Develop the full editorial schedule for design related content in six core issues and two annual issues
- Manage annual HOUSES Awards program and all print and digital assets
- Photograph projects to be featured in print and digital formats
- Coordinate photo shoots with professional photographers
- Co-produce six design videos annually
- Work directly with architects and designers to deliver first person in-depth bylined features
- Manage the "Drawing Board" department, which focuses on residential design technique

Assistant, Associate and Senior Editor: July 2007-July 2012

Fine Homebuilding Magazine, The Taunton Press (Newtown, Connecticut)

- Photographed and edited 2-3 how-to projects per issue
- Worked directly with builders to produce comprehensive how-to feature articles.
- Managed the "What's the difference?" department, and brought it from the readers least favorite to a top-rated department.
- Developed and launched the "How it Works" department, which is consistently a top-rated department in the issue.
- Charged with researching and bylining the deep journalistic features

Carpenter/Freelance writer: June 2005-July 2007

Level 1 Construction (Sherman, Connecticut)

- Member of small framing crew building houses in Northwest CT
- Assisted in material deliveries and general construction from foundation to ridge
- Freelanced for regional outdoor publication

Editorial Intern: November 2004-April 2005

Outdoor Life magazine, Time Inc. (New York, New York)

- General duties included fact checking and editing department submissions
- Wrote and edited department content

Editorial Intern: June 2004-August 2004

Backcountry Magazine, Height of Land Publications (Jeffersonville, Vermont)

- Wrote and edited department content
- Edited digital features
- Helped coordinate and manage product reviews and testing

Newspaper Reporter: June 2004-August 2004

News & Citizen (Morrisville, Vermont)

- Covered local news for the Lamoille Valley
- Wrote 1-2 features weekly

Additional Industry Involvement:

- 2013 American Institute of Architects Small Project Practitioners Awards Jury
- NPR's Faith Middleton Show Featured Guest
- International Builder's Show Featured Speaker: "Incorporating Best Practices"

Personal Interests and Pursuits:

- Design + Remodeling
- Small-scale Farming
- Hiking, fly-fishing, cycling
- Photography

From: Steinfeld, Jennifer
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2015 10:34 AM
To: Kazlauskas, Kerri
Subject: Cherry Brook School PTO Donation

Hi Kerri,

Good Morning! I have a question on the most recent donation from the Cherry Brook PTO. Is this a donation towards the pavilion? If so, during the May 13th Board of Selectmen meeting, a total donation amount of \$25,346 was approved for the pavilion. We have currently collected \$20,278.69 in donations for the pavilion to date. With this check, we will have collected \$28,093.69. So, the total donation amount would be greater than what has been approved. Has there been any discussion during the meetings to approve an amount over the original \$25,346? Thanks for your help.

Jenn Steinfeld
Accounting Clerk
Town of Canton
(860)693-7820
jsteinfeld@townofcantonct.org



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



GRANT AWARD NOTIFICATION

1 Grant Recipient

Town Treasurer - Canton
Town Hall, P.O. Box 168
Collinsville, CT 06022-0168

4 Award Information

Grant Type: STATE
Statute: C.G.S. 10-19 m-o
CFDA #: None
SDE Project Code: SDE000000000002

Grant Number: 023-001 11000-17052-2016-82079-170002

2 Grant Title

YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU

5 Award Period

7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016

3 Education Staff

Program Manager:
Dr. Agnes Quinones 860-807-2126

Payment & Expenditure Inquiries:
Karen Calabrese 860-713-6472

6 Authorized Funding

Grant Amount: \$14,000

Funding Status: Final

7 Terms and Conditions of Award

This grant is contingent upon the continuing availability of funds from the grant's funding source and the continuing eligibility of the State of Connecticut and your town/agency to receive such funds.

Fiscal and other reports relating to this grant must be submitted as required by the granting agency. Written requests for budget revisions for expenditures made between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016 must be received at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the grant period but no later than May 1, 2016. For grants awarded for two-year periods beginning July 1, 2015, final second-year budget revision requests covering the entire two-year period must be received at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the grant period but no later than February 1, 2017. The grantee shall provide for an audit acceptable to the granting agency in accordance with the provisions of Sections 7-394a and 7-396a of the Connecticut General Statutes. The following attachment(s) are incorporated by reference: ED114.

The grant may be terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party. In the event of such action, all remaining funds shall be returned in a timely fashion to the granting agency.

Funds that support this contract may be provided by various Federal agencies, including but not limited to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through a number of grants, block grants, and grants-in aid, including, but not limited to the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) and/or the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (TANF). Each federal block grant has a federal Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance requirements specific to each block grant. The CFDA numbers are as follows: CCDBG-93575 and TANF-93.558. The Contractor shall communicate the above language to all subcontractors that perform services as delineated in a subcontract agreement. The contractor also shall maintain, and require all subcontractors to maintain any necessary data and documentation required for the auditing of any of the grant funds.

This grant has been approved.

9/9/2015

Charlene Russell-Tucker
Associate Commissioner
Division of Family and Student Support Services



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GRANT AWARD NOTIFICATION

REVISION

1 Grant Recipient

Town Treasurer - Canton
Town Hall, P.O. Box 168
Collinsville, CT 06022-0168

4 Award Information

Grant Type: STATE
Statute: "P.A. 07-03, Sec. 36"
CFDA #: None
SDE Project Code: SDE0000000000002

Grant Number: 023-001 11000-16201-2016-82079-170002

2 Grant Title

YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU-ENHANCEMENT

5 Award Period

7/1/2015 - 6/30/2016

3 Education Staff

Program Manager:

Dr. Agnes Quinones 860-807-2126

Payment & Expenditure Inquiries:

Karen Calabrese 860-713-6472

6 Authorized Funding

Grant Amount: \$4,653

Funding Status: Final

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10/6/2015

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TOWN OF CANTON

FOUR MARKET STREET

P.O. BOX 168

COLLINSVILLE, CONNECTICUT 06022-0168

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

Title of Submission: Acceptance of Gift from the Farmington Valley Trail's Council for a Bike Fix-It Station

Date of Submission: Monday, November 2, 2015

Date of Board Meeting: Wednesday, November 11, 2015

Individual or Entity Making the Submission: Renee Narducci, Land Use Coordinator

1. **Action requested of the Board of Selectmen (Acceptance of gift, approval to submit grant application, approval of contract, information only, etc. Be as specific as possible with respect to the desired action of the Board.):**

The Individual or Entity making the submission requests that the Board of Selectmen:

Accept a gift from the Farmington Valley Trails Council for a public bicycle repair station not to exceed one thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars (\$1,250.00) in cost.

2. **Individual(s) responsible for submission (Please include complete contact information. If requested, the identified individual(s) should be prepared to present information to the Board of Selectmen at the Board Meeting.)**

Mr. Bruce Donald, President
Farmington Valley Trails Council
P.O. Box 576
Tariffville, CT 06081
Phone: (860) 202-3928
Website: www.fvgreenway.org

3. **Summary of Submission (Include in your summary (i) relevant dates and timelines; (ii) parties involved; (iii) a description of financial terms and conditions specifically identifying the financial exposure/commitment of the Town of Canton; (iv) other information that will inform the Board of Selectmen's consideration of your submission. Include any additional information in an attached memorandum.)**

In August 2015, the Board of Directors of the FVTC voted to approve the purchase of a public bicycle repair station, not to exceed \$1,250.00 for donation to the Town of Canton. It was noted that the Collinsville Historic District Commission agreed to the idea of placing the station north of what is shown on the current plan (please see attached). This places the unit 20 feet from the southern side of Lisa's Crown & Hammer and 12-16 feet from the eastern

side of Lisa's Crown & Hammer, which is within the retained railroad tracks. It was also stated that the station should be ordered in black in order to match the bollards that currently exist.

4. *Description of documents included with submission* (All documents must be in final form and signed by the appropriate party.):

The following documents are included with this submission and attached hereto:

- Letter to Mr. Skinner from the FVTC; dated August 27, 2015
- Image #1, which depicts location of the proposed fix-it station
- Image #2, which depicts the look of the proposed fix-it station
- Quote #113516 from DERO Bike Rack Company; dated August 10, 2015
- Quote #118371 from DERO Bike Rack Company; dated October 21, 2015



Preston Reed
(1916-2013)
Founder

Bruce Donald
President

Jim Cassidy
Vice-President

Steve Noble
Treasurer

Mary-Jane Gately
Secretary

Board of Directors

Nancy Weiner-Anstey
Shasona Cassells
Barbara Collins
Joy Himmelfarb
Gary Miller
Susan Mitchell
Rich Rowlenson
Al Ryan
Dwight Weed

A 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation dedicated to building, maintaining, and beautifying multi-use trails in the Farmington Valley.

27 August 2015

Robert Skinner
Chief Administrative Officer
Town of Canton
4 Market Street, PO Box 168
Collinsville, CT 06022

Dear Bob,

The Board of Directors of the FVTC recently voted to approve the purchase of a public bicycle repair station not to exceed \$1,250.00 for donation to the Town of Canton for installation in Collinsville center at a place to be mutually determined with Town staff. This letter is our formal request that the Canton Board of Selectmen place this gift on their agenda, with the hope for approval.

The product includes a powder-coated work stand, pump, and tool set designed to resist vandalism and last a long time outside. The concept has been proven locally as Simsbury has placed a unit on Iron Horse Blvd. and it has proven a great success with no problems to date. The installation will require some preparation and labor on the part of the Town to complete.

We have all been pleased and excited by the transformation of Collinsville Center. Our donation of the information kiosk, one third of the drinking fountain and a good part of the new flowers on the trail all signify our support of the Town and our willingness to contribute to the construction, amenities, and safety on the Farmington River Trail.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

R. Bruce Donald, President

Cc: Richard Barlow
Neil Pade
Gary Miller
Dwight Weed





DERO Bike Rack Co.

Quote/Order Form

504 Malcolm Ave SE, Suite 100, Minneapolis, MN 55414

Quote # 113516

888.337.6729 612.331.2731 www.dero.com

Date 8/10/2015

Sold To
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON I Hodge 48187
Contact I HODGE
Phone
Fax

Ship To
Canton, CT 06022

Rep	Terms	P.O. #	Site Contact	Site Phone
NM	Credit Card			

Qty	Item	Description	Unit Price	Total
1	FIXIT-EPX-FT-F	FIXIT-Surface Mount, 2000349-F black	689.00	689.00
1	BIKE REPAIR	Air Kit 2 fixit mount ep black penta nut Lead time 3-4 weeks	392.00	392.00
	FREIGHT	Freight and Handling - Fed ex	63.00	63.00
	CT SALES TAX	CT SALES TAX	72.64	72.64

THIS ORDER IS ACCEPTED AS A BINDING PURCHASE

To place the order, verify that all the bill-to, ship-to, and order information is correct, sign and date where indicated, and fax back to 612-331-2731. We will fax or e-mail you an order confirmation so that you know that your order has been processed.

Payment can be made by credit card, prepayment, or net 30 credit terms may be issued with credit approval.

The Ship Date is an estimate only. We will do everything possible to ship by or before that date but do not guarantee shipment by that date.

Customer agrees that installation area is suitable for drilling. A 20% restocking fee will be assessed to all canceled orders.

Quote is good for 30 days.

Customer Please Specify
Desired Ship Date!

Subtotal \$1,216.64

Sales Tax (0.0%) \$0.00

Total: \$1,216.64

Thank you for your interest!

SIGNATURE AND DATE _____

For office use only SO# _____ Order Conf. EM FAX Init. _____ Date _____
Please note confirm contacts



DERO Bike Rack Co.

Quote/Order Form

504 Malcolm Ave SE, Suite 100, Minneapolis, MN 55414

Quote # 118371

888.337.6729 612.331.2731 www.dero.com

Date 10/21/2015

Sold To
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON I Hodge 48187
Contact I HODGE
Phone
Fax

Ship To
Canton, CT 06022

Rep	Terms	P.O. #	Site Contact	Site Phone
NM	Credit Card			

Qty	Item	Description	Unit Price	Total
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1	BIKE REPAIR	Air Kit 2 fixit mount ep black penta nut Lead time 3-4 weeks	392.00	392.00
	FREIGHT	Freight and Handling - Fed ex	63.00	63.00
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SIGNATURE AND DATE _____

For office use only	SO# _____	Order Conf.	<input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> FAX	Init. _____	Date _____
Please note confirm contacts					

Town of Canton

"An Ordinance Providing a Property Tax Exemption for Farm Buildings and Additional Farm Machinery"

Section 1. Title.

This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as "An Ordinance Providing a Property Tax Exemption for Farm Buildings and Additional Farm Machinery".

Section 2. Legislative Authority.

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to the provisions of Section 12-91(b) and (c) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as it may be amended from time-to-time.

Section 3. Findings and Purpose.

The Town of Canton finds that the preservation of farming and farmland is vitally important to retaining Cantons rural character quality of life, as well as promoting economic and environmental sustainability. Therefore pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 12-91(b) and (c), as amended, the Town of Canton seeks to protect, preserve and promote the health, welfare and quality of life of its people by providing a tax exemption for certain farm buildings and additional farm machinery.

Section 4. Applicability and Benefits.

a) For a farmer who qualifies for the farm machinery exemption under Connecticut General Statutes § 12-91(a). Any building used actually and exclusively in farming, as "farming" is defined in Section 1-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, including any building used to provide housing for seasonal employees of such farmer, upon proper application being made in accordance with this section, shall be exempt from property tax to the extent of an assessed value of one hundred thousand dollars per eligible building. This exemption shall not apply to any residence of any farmer.

b) For a farmer who qualifies for the farm machinery exemption under Connecticut General Statutes § 12-91(a). Additional such machinery, upon proper application being made in accordance with this section, shall be exempt from property tax to the extent of an additional assessed value of one hundred thousand dollars.

c) Annually, within thirty days after the assessment date, each individual farmer, group of farmers, partnership or corporation shall make written application to the Assessor for the exemption provided in subsection (a) and (b) of this section, including therewith a notarized affidavit certifying that such farmer, individually or as part of a group, partnership or corporation derived at least fifteen thousand dollars in gross sales from such farming operation, or incurred at least fifteen thousand dollars in expenses related to such farming operation, with respect to the most recently completed taxable year of such farmer prior to the commencement of the assessment year for which such application is made, on forms to be prescribed by the Commissioner of Agriculture. Failure to file such application in said manner and form within the time limit prescribed shall be considered a waiver of the right to such exemption for the assessment year. Any person aggrieved by any action of the Assessor shall have the same rights and remedies for appeal and relief as are provided in the general statutes for taxpayers claiming to be aggrieved by the doings of the Assessor or board of assessment appeals.

Tax Reduction Programs for Connecticut Farmers – A Summary



Background:

There are a number of tax reduction programs for eligible Connecticut farmers. Some of the programs are mandatory statewide. Other programs are municipal options. This means that state statutes provide the enabling legislation, however the programs are adopted at the discretion of the municipality.

Here is a summary of the state and optional tax programs for Connecticut farmers:

State mandated programs:

- **\$100,000 Exemption for farm machinery, horses or ponies:** CGS Section 12-91 (a) Exempts first \$100,000 of assessed value from personal property taxation.
- **Farmers Tax Exemption Permit:** CGS Section 12-412 (63) Retail sales of tangible personal property used exclusively in agricultural production are exempt from sales and use taxes if the purchaser qualifies.
- **PA 490:** CSG Section 12-107 Connecticut's Land use value assessment law for farmland, forest land, open space and maritime heritage land.
- **Property Tax Exemptions:** CGS Section 12-81 Exempts certain agricultural commodities and certain temporary devices or structures used for seasonal production, storage or protection of plants or plant material, including, but not limited to, hoop houses, poly houses, high tunnels, overwintering structures and shade houses, from personal property taxation. Exempts farming tools used exclusively in the business of farming to the value of five hundred dollars.

Municipal optional tax reduction programs:

- **\$100,000 tax exemption on farm buildings:** CGS Section 12-91 (c). Municipalities may provide an exemption from property tax on buildings used exclusively for farming. The exemption is per building and the municipality may choose the level of exemption up to \$100,000.
Criteria: The buildings must be used exclusively for agricultural production. The farmer must show either \$15,000 in gross sales from the farming operation or at least \$15,000 in expenditures related to the farming operation annually and must apply annually to the assessor by filing a personal property declaration and exemption form. The exemption is adopted through an ordinance and voted on by the municipal legislative body.
- **Additional \$100,000 exemption for farm machinery, horses and ponies:** CGS Section 12-91 (b) Municipalities may provide an additional \$100,000 exemption from personal property tax for farm machinery, horses and ponies on top of the state mandated \$100,000 exemption to bring the total exemption to \$200,000.

(Over)

2 Tax Reduction Programs for Connecticut Farmers (*continued*)

Criteria: The farmer must show either \$15,000 in gross sales from the farming operation or at least \$15,000 in expenditures related to the farming operation annually and must apply annually to the assessor by filing a personal property declaration and form for exemption. The exemption is adopted through an ordinance and voted on by the municipal legislative body.

- **Property tax on horses or ponies:** PA 14-33 Effective October 1, 2014 any municipality may, by a vote of its legislative body or, in a municipality where the legislative body is a town meeting, by vote of the board of selectmen, exempt from property taxation horses or ponies of any value.
- **Property tax abatement:** CGS § 12-81(m) Municipalities may choose to abate up to 50% of the property taxes for certain agricultural businesses including dairy farms, fruit orchards, vineyards, vegetable farms, nurseries, any farm that employs nontraditional farming methods, such as hydroponics, tobacco farms or commercial lobstering operated on maritime heritage land. The municipality may choose which or all of the farm businesses to include in the abatement and the abatement includes land in PA 490.

Criteria: The abatement and criteria is set by the municipality through an ordinance and the municipality may also establish a recapture in the event of sale provided the recapture does not exceed the original amount of taxes abated and does not go back further than ten years. The ordinance is voted on by the municipal legislative body.

FAQs:

Q: Where can I find information on obtaining a Farmers Tax Exemption Permit and other farm related tax questions?

A: Here is a link to: The Connecticut Department of Revenue Services: “*Farmer's Guide to Sales and Use Taxes, Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax, Estimated Income Tax, and Withholding Tax*” <http://www.ct.gov/drs/cwp/view.asp?A=1510&Q=465728>

Notes:



TOWN OF CANTON

FOUR MARKET STREET
P.O. BOX 168
COLLINSVILLE, CONNECTICUT 06022-0168

OFFICE OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

To : Board of Selectmen
From : Robert Skinner, Chief Administrative Officer
Date : 11-6-15
Re : **Litigation Update**

At a recent Board of Selectmen meeting there was a request that I update the Board on the status of litigation and other legal matters facing the Town. There are only two matters that are currently being litigated in the state's judicial system. One is an appeal of a decision by the Zoning Enforcement Officer finding that the storing of certain containers on a residential property violated zoning regulations. The other matter is Cadle, which involves the collection of back taxes. Both cases are described below. There is also an administrative appeal before the Town's Hearing Officer which again involves an appeal of an order of the Zoning Enforcement Officer, which is also described below.

There are no grievances or other personnel matters pending.

1. Michele, Dana B v. Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Canton

May 7, 2015 Appeal to Superior Court by the owner of 5 Homestead Lane of an April, 2015 decision of the Canton Zoning Board of Appeals, denying in part the Appeal of a Notice of Violation issued by the Canton Zoning Enforcement Officer for the violating the Zoning regulations by storing construction trailers, construction equipment, and shipping containers on an undeveloped residential lot. Return of Record was filed on September 9, 2015. Further events on this matter are not scheduled at this time.

2. Citation #15-02 – Dana Mathes

Appeal filed by Dana Mathes of 465 Albany Turnpike of a Citation issued by the Canton Zoning Enforcement Officer issued on October 1, 2015. The citation was issued for constructing and opening a building (hoop house) without site plan approval, zoning approval and a certificate of zoning compliance. The Town of Canton Hearing Officer conducted a hearing on this matter on October 26th, which is continued to a date to be scheduled after the November 18th meeting of the Canton Planning and Zoning Commission at which Mr. Mathes is seeking retro-active approval of the current violations.

3. Canton vs Cadle

Cadle properties of Connecticut, owns property on Route 44 in Canton. Cadle has failed to pay property taxes for many years. Currently there is \$340,933.15 owed for back taxes and

\$417,919.66 owed for interest and penalties for a total of \$758,852.81. The current tenant on the property is M&S Associates which is operating a car dealership known as Mitchel Subaru which has been located on the property since 1995.

In 2011 the Town of Canton filed a petition to have a receiver appointed to collect the rents from the current tenant and have them forwarded to the Town pursuant to C.G.S. 12-163a. Essentially the receiver steps into the shoes of the absent landlord, collects rent and then pays the rent to the Town to offset the amount owed for taxes. Boardwalk Realty Associates was approved by the Court as the receiver. The Court also found that \$358,220 was owed in taxes and \$495,800 was owed in interest and penalties.

Thereafter, the tenant M&S Associates began paying monthly rent to the receiver of \$8,033 per month. After approximately eight months M&S Associates stopped paying rent. The Court then granted the Receiver the right to evict M&S Associates for nonpayment of rent. M&S Associates intervened in the case and argued that the Receiver was acting beyond its authority and requested that the Receiver be removed. The trial court found that the Receiver had authority to collect the back rent and evict the tenants, M&S Associates. M&S Associates appealed the trial court decision. The Appellate Court stated that the lower court erred in its findings that the Receiver could collect rents prior to the time of its appointment and had authority to evict the tenant.

The Town then appealed the Appellate Court decision to the Connecticut Supreme Court arguing that the Receiver has the right to collect back rent and has all the authority of the landlord including the authority to evict the tenant. In May of 2015 the Court ruled 7-0 that the receiver can collect back rent and “use the legal means that would have been available to the owner to collect such unpaid obligations[,]” in order to satisfy Cadle’s unpaid property taxes. This unanimous ruling reversing the Appellate Court makes it clear that M&S Associates must pay the Receiver for all back taxes.

The Court ruled 5-2 that a receiver’s “legal means” does not include evicting a tenant that refuses to pay, even though eviction is a “legal means” for an owner to enforce an unpaid rental obligation. Therefore, the Receiver could bring a legal action for the payment of the rent, it just can’t evict the tenant.

On October 21, 2015, the Receiver reclaimed its original complaint for back rent and filed a motion for a pre-judgment remedy in the amount of \$1,500,000. A pre-judgement remedy would allow the Receiver to attach assets equal to \$1,500,000. The hearing on the pre-judgement remedy was continued at the request of M&S Associates. Briefs have been filed by both parties and the parties are currently waiting for the court to schedule a hearing date.



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To : Board of Selectmen
From : Robert Skinner, Chief Administrative Officer
Date : 11-6-15
Re : **Design Review Team Ordinance**

At the last Board meeting a Public Hearing was scheduled for November 10th to take comment on whether the Design Review Team Ordinance should be rescinded thereby eliminating the Design Review Team. After the Public Hearing the Board would then vote as a regular agenda item to rescind the ordinance.

As part of the legal review of the process and legal notice, I requested that the Town Attorney comment on whether this was within the authority of the Board of Selectmen. Below is his response:

The Design Review Team ordinance was adopted at a special town meeting on March 16, 2006. Section 10.02E of the charter says that permanent agencies created by action of a town meeting may be abolished or changed upon the affirmative vote of a town meeting. I would say that repeal of the Design Review Team ordinance would have to be approved by a town meeting.

The combination of the planning and zoning commissions was distinguishable because that action did not abolish either of them, it just consolidated them.

Therefore, rescinding the ordinance will need to be scheduled for a Town Meeting. The earliest a Town Meeting could be scheduled would be December 9, 2015.

DRAFT MINUTES
CANTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wednesday, October 28, 2015, Regular Meeting
Community Center, Conference Room F, 7:00 pm

Selectmen Present: First Selectman Richard Barlow, Selectmen: Thomas Sevigny, Lowell Humphrey, and David Gilchrist

Absent: Stephen Roberto

Also Present: Chief Administrative Officer Robert Skinner and Recording Secretary Kerri Kazlauskas

R. Barlow called the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 pm.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Christopher Arciero, Chief of Canton Police Department, thanked the Board for their service. He stated that the Selectmen have been the most engaged, passionate, dedicated Board that he's seen.

Lansford Perry, 22 Barbourtown Rd, asked the Board to consider amending the Right To Farm Ordinance under Public Hearing to include a Tax Abatement for Farmers. He provided the Board with a handout of his request. L. Perry also thanked the Board for their service. R. Barlow stated that they want to get the ordinance passed tonight but they will certainly take a look into his request at a future meeting.

Ann Wincze, 456 Cherry Brook Rd, shared she owns a business across from Crown and Hammer. She stated that she sees near misses of accidents at the corner of Bridge St and Main St daily. She has witnessed four people hit by vehicles. The intersection is very dangerous. A. Wincze stated the Town invites people to come here but it is not safe for people to cross.

Robert Bessell, 4 South St, shared he agrees with A. Winze and added that it also a commerce concern. It harms the merchants if people don't want to cross and therefore can't access the business.

Kenneth Humphrey, 250 East Hill Rd, stated that there were zoning map changes approved in August. It's been several months and there still is not a Master Zoning Map available. He wants to have this problem elevated to the Board.

Marianne Burbank, 84 North Mountain Rd, she shares the same concern as her brother K. Humphrey. The fact that the Master Zoning Map is not available is affecting their family personally due to a real estate transaction they are waiting to complete. She stated something needs to happen by the end of this week.

III. PUBLIC HEARING- Public hearing on a proposed Ordinance entitled “Right To Farm” which encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmland within Canton by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town of Canton agencies- R. Barlow read the legal notice. S. Faulkner shared that this ordinance came from the Conservation Commission after months of research. She thanked the Board for their support in completing this ordinance. Kathleen Munroe, 17 Town Bridge Rd, asked why the presented ordinance doesn't mirror the State Statute 19a-341. She stated that unlike the State Statute, the proposed ordinance does not have an exception for intentionally or negligently causing a nuisance. She stated the States Statute says the Farms are protected regardless if a Town has an ordinance. She read the State's Statute. R. Barlow responded by stating that because the State Statute supersedes the Town ordinance, there was no need to add it to the ordinance itself. K. Munroe stated she is just bothered by the ambiguity in the ordinance. R. Skinner shared that the Town Attorney did review this document and stated from a legal standpoint its fine. It is more of a policy. S. Faulkner shared they wanted to leave it very general and just reference the State Statute. She believes there isn't any ambiguity and stated that the Commission brought the ordinance to the Farm Bureau and thinks they're 100% linked to each other. K. Munroe communicated her concern is that the State Statue may read something that the Town ordinance doesn't which may create a conflict. R. Barlow shared that many of the activities that draw concern would be covered under the Health District or the Department of Energy & Environmental Protection that have controls to handle those situations. K. Munroe then asked if the Board or Conservation Commission were familiar with the Massachusetts Right To Farm laws. She shared that they include a disclosure notification during real estate transactions. She asked if Canton has considered that. S. Faulkner stated she was not sure if we have the legal ability to do this within our States laws. R. Barlow reiterated that the ordinance talks about present and future farms. R. Skinner stated that Zoning can require developers to put notices of the Right to Farm in abutters deeds. M. Flynn stated that most complaints would be brought to the Town's Land Use Department and then filtered to the proper person. M. Burbank stated she supports the ordinance and stated it makes sense to inform new buyers of the ordinance. R. Barlow stated that the Board would look into L. Perry's request in a future meeting. The Public Hearing ended at 7:27 pm.

IV. APPOINTMENTS / RESIGNATIONS

- A.** Resignation of Wendy Madigan from the Conservation Commission effective immediately.

- B. Appointment of James K Grant to the Collinsville Historic District Commission for a term to expire 6/30/2019-** J. Grant shared that he has been a resident and homeowner since 1969. He said he is a structural engineer and has had his office in Collinsville for the past 10 years. He has a lot of experience in preservation, buildings, etc.

MOTION: T. Sevigny moved to appoint James K Grant to the Collinsville Historic District Commission for a term to expire 6/30/2019 and D. Gilchrist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0

- C. **Appoint Gordon Harmon (R) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting.**
- D. **Appoint Anthony Asaro (R) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting-** Not Present
- E. **Appoint William Henson (U) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting-** Not Present
- F. **Appoint Anthony Toro (U) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting.**
- G. **Appoint Richard Hutchings (U) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting-** Not Present
- H. **Appoint Michael Yacovino (R) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting-** Not Present
- I. **Appoint John Bunnell (D) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting-** Not Present

MOTION: R. Barlow moved to appoint Gordon Harmon, Anthony Toro, Richard Hutchings, Michael Yacovino, and John Bunnell (D) to the Temporary Fire/EMS Facility Study Committee for a period not to exceed two years from the Committee's inaugural meeting and D. Gilchrist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

R. Skinner swore all the appointed members is.

V. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Refund of Taxes pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes 12-129

MOTION: T. Sevigny moved to approve the Consent Agenda and D. Gilchrist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Consider and possibly approve a proposed Ordinance entitled "Right To Farm" which encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmland within Canton by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town of Canton agencies** T. Sevigny thanked the Conservation Commission for putting this ordinance together and stated he supports it. D. Gilchrist said he encourages the Board to pass this ordinance tonight but would like the Board to consider L. Perry's recommendation. R. Barlow also thanked the Conservation Commission.

MOTION: R. Barlow moved to approve a proposed Ordinance entitled "Right To Farm" which encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmland within Canton by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town of Canton agencies and T. Sevigny seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

VII. CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS

A. Review and possibly approve Preservation of Place Grant for the purpose of partially funding a consultant to draft a Master Plan for Tax Increment

Financing Projects- R. Bessell shared this is an annual grant that CT Main St offers. Last year the Town was granted \$10,000 that was used towards marketing. He stated the Tax Increment Financing creates incentives for property owners to improve their property and this could be incentive for developing the Ax Factory. R. Skinner shared that it locks the value of a property for tax purposes for a specific time and then any increase in value that generates new taxes based on the improved value will go towards a particular purpose. The purpose of this grant is to hire a consultant to create a Master Plan. T. Sevigny shared that TIF has always been around however, the laws changed to allow towns to do it without State approval. R. Barlow shared his concern that if a residential property is included on the Master Plan then they could build an addition to their house. B. Bessell said that under the development of the plan it will be clear that its purpose is to enhance the district. R. Skinner pointed out that this is just the application approval and not an acceptance of the grant. He stated that boundaries would be defined in the Master Plan and just because a property is on the Master Plan doesn't mean they will benefit individuals.

MOTION: T. Sevigny moved to approve submittal of the Preservation of Place Grant for the purpose of partially funding a consultant to draft a Master Plan for Tax Increment Financing Projects and D. Gilchrist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

B. Review and possibly approve the submittal of the annual Homeland Security Grant for Region #3 and authorize the First Selectman to sign all documents necessary to facilitate the submittal-

R. Skinner communicated that there are 2 Homeland Security Grants each year. This grant has funds from the Federal Government to Region 3 and in order for Canton to receive the benefits of those funds, this application must be approved.

MOTION: D. Gilchrist moved to approve the submittal of the annual Homeland Security Grant for Region #3 including the resolution located within the submission and authorize the First Selectman to sign all documents necessary to facilitate the submittal and T. Sevigny seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

C. Review and possibly approve a comprehensive facility use policy for Town

facilities- R. Skinner reiterated the past concerns/comments the Board had. He referred them to the fee schedule and policy in their packet. He went through some of the changes that were made since the last time this was presented. He also went through the requirements that would need to be met in order to have alcohol on Town property. T. Sevigny stated the documents presented tonight were much improved and both D. Gilchrist and L. Humphrey agreed. R. Barlow stated he is supportive of the policy changes but still against for-profits being able to use Town facilities but stated there is the ability to modify in the future if it becomes a problem.

MOTION: R. Barlow moved to approve the comprehensive facility use policy for Town facilities as presented by the CAO in his submission to the Board of Selectmen and L. Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

D. Review and possibly recommend pursuing funding sources to partially cover the cost of installing a traffic control signal at the intersection of Bridge Street and Front Street- R. Skinner reiterated that in the last Board meeting he shared that the State DOT denied the request to modify the grant and denied approval of STEAP grant. He went through other options that are available which are 1) Waiting for another STEAP grant to become available which are competitive and take a long time 2) Apply for a LoCIP grant which will require incorporating other projects because of the higher dollar amount of these grants. These grants also take a long time, are very competitive, and complex 3) Wait for factory development 4) Transfer \$130,000 from the undesignated fund balance 5) do nothing at all. R. Barlow shared he is favor for asking the Board of Finance for a transfer for the undesignated fund balance. T. Sevigny said from a safety standpoint this needs to be done and the traffic is only going to get heavier. L. Humphrey stated the Town has already spent a lot of money making improvements to encourage trail use and this amount is small in comparison and needed for safety.

MOTION: L. Humphrey moved to recommend to the Board of Finance that the cost of the traffic control signal at Bridge Street and Main Street not funded by the STEAP Grant be funded by a transfer of \$130,000 from the undesignated fund balance and T. Sevigny seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

E. Review and possibly take action to rescind the ordinance known as the Design Review Team which ordinance established the Design Review Team R. Barlow shared this Team has not been functioning for a long time and it needs to be official. R. Skinner shared that he did talk to N. Pade about this due to past concerns and those concerns are no longer an issue.

MOTION: R. Barlow moved to set a public hearing for November 10, 2015 at 7:00pm in Room F of the Community Center to take comment on whether the ordinance known as the Design Review Team should be rescinded and D. Gilchrist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

VIII. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A. Approval of Board of Selectmen Minutes: 10-14-2015 Regular Meeting

MOTION: D. Gilchrist moved to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes: 10-14-2015 Regular Meeting and L. Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed, 3-0-1 with T. Sevigny abstaining.

IX. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CAO, TOWN AGENCIES, OFFICIALS AND/OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS

A. First Selectman's Report- R. Barlow stated Public Works is continuing to try to complete the road work. East Hill Rd in mostly finished. He shared that Public Works completed a very ambitious mission in road work and used the \$6 million allocated. R. Barlow shared that he and R. Skinner have been working on a revised contract with the State for the Hydro Facility.

B. CAO Report- R. Skinner passed out a handout from the Energy & Environmental Protection. He stated an inspection was performed at the Transfer Station and discussed the three areas that needed fixing. The first was signage and that has already been rectified. Second was a concern about the tires on the ground. Arrangements have been made to get them up. Last finding was the waste oil containers. They need to have at least three walls and a roof. An RFP has gone out for this and one vendor has responded. R. Skinner shared the Town Hall exterior has been abated and painted. He informed the Board that the Board of Finance (BOF) recommended over running the line item to pay for the microwave radios discussed at the last meeting. R. Barlow stated the BOF did not take action on funding the startup cost for the Paramedic Service. R. Skinner reminded everyone that voting will be held at the High School next week. R. Barlow thanked L. Smith and the Registrars for all the prep work they have done to make this happen. R. Skinner stated that they continue to meet with Fuss and O'Neill to discuss the garage. They're also using Fuss and O'Neill to look at the roof and salt shed. R. Skinner handed out paperwork on the Cadle case. He shared that two motions have been entered and explained what each mean. R. Barlow referred the Board to the correspondence in the packet that had to do with the Cadle property. R. Skinner shared that he talked to the Town Attorney in regards to the request within the letter. The attorney recommended they hire their own appraiser and this should not be done by the Town Assessor. R. Barlow referred the Board to the other correspondence within the packet and spoke about the MIRA letter.

C. Correspondence

a. Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority

b. State of CT- STEAP Response

c. Senator Witkos / representative LeGeyt regarding Mitchell Volkswagen Dealership

D. Monthly Report

E. Absentee Record

X. REMARKS BY SELECTMEN

XI. ADJOURMENT

MOTION: T. Sevigny moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 8:24 pm and L. Humphrey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0-0.

Canton Historical Society, Inc.
11 Front Street, Collinsville, CT 06019
860.693.2793

April 27, 2015

Town of Canton
4 Market Street
PO Box 168
Collinsville, CT 06022

Dear Town of Canton:

On behalf of *The Canton Historical Society, Inc.*, thank you for your recent contribution to our Operating Fund. Your gift is very important to us, especially in these challenging times as we work to improve our museum and expand our services to the community.

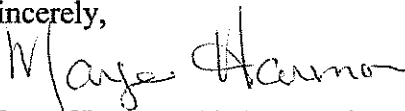
We received \$1,000.00 from you on April 27, 2015. This letter is to serve as a receipt for tax purposes.

No goods, and/or services were provided by The Canton Historical Society in return for your contribution. The Internal Revenue Service has determined that The Canton Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Accordingly, your gift may be tax-deductible. We encourage you to clarify the tax implications for your charitable giving with a professional advisor.

Once again, thank you for your kind support. Please know that your generosity will help make it possible to continue sharing our history.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,



Marge Harmon, Chairman of Development
Canton Historical Society, Inc.

Thank you!
Great gift for
the museum. We
appreciate it.