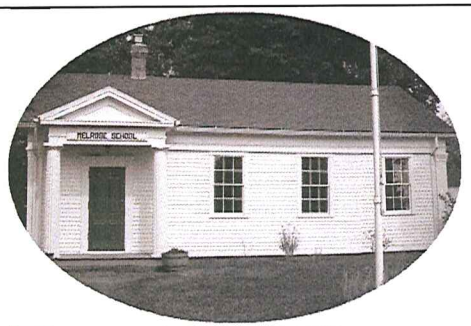

Melrose School 1865

Windsorville
"Church Among the Trees" 1876

Scantic Meeting House 1752

Warehouse Point Hose House 1911

Broad Brook Opera House 1892

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TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR TELEPHONE NUMBERS

FOR EMERGENCIES DIAL 911

POLICE — FIRE — AMBULANCE

Assessor	623-8878
Building Department	623-2439
Director of Health (William H. Blitz, M.P.H., R.S.)	745-0383
Dog Warden	292-1962
Emergency Management	623-2174
Fire (Routine Business) Broad Brook	623-5940
Fire (Routine Business) Warehouse Point	623-5596
First Selectman	623-8122
Human Services (Annex)	623-2430
Information Technology	847-1206
Inland Wetlands / Zoning Enforcement Officer	623-2302
Parks and Recreation Department	627-6662
Police (Routine)	292-8240
Probate Court for District of East Windsor (South Windsor)	644-2511
Public Works / Engineering	292-7073
Registrar of Voters (Annex)	292-5915
Senior Citizens Nutrition Program	292-8279
Senior Citizens Transportation (By Appointment Only)	292-8261
Tax Collector	623-8904
Town Clerk	292-8255
Town Planner	623-6030
Town Treasurer	292-5909
Visiting Nurse (Annex)	623-2304
Water Pollution Control Authority	292-8264
EAST WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
Superintendent	623-3346
Business Office	623-3553
Broad Brook Elementary School	623-2433
East Windsor Middle School	623-4488
East Windsor High School	623-3361
TOWN LIBRARIES	
Broad Brook 78 Main Street Broad Brook, CT 06016 (Wednesday 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm)	627-0493
Warehouse Point 107 Main Street East Windsor, CT 06088 (Mon & Tues 10:00 am - 8:00 pm; Wed, Thurs, Fri 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm; Closed Sunday)	623-5482

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TOWN OFFICIALS – as of June 30, 2011

ASSESSOR
Caroline G. Madore

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERKS & ASSISTANT REGISTRARS OF VITAL STATISTICS
Lynn K. Lemieux
Mary Higgins

BUILDING INSPECTOR
Rand Davis Stanley

CHIEF OF POLICE
Edward DeMarco

FIRE MARSHAL
Blaine G. Simpkins

HUMAN SERVICE COORDINATOR
Elizabeth Burns

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR
James DeRagon

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR
Melissa Maltese

SENIOR CENTER DIRECTOR
Laura J. Clynch

SUB-REGISTRARS OF VITAL STATISTICS
Gerald R. Dowd
Gary W. Mather
Charles A. Palomba

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Carol A. Fox

TAX COLLECTOR
Samantha A. Lee

TOWN CLERK & REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS
Joanne M. Slater

TOWN PLANNER
Laurie P. Whitten

TOWN TREASURER
Catherine Cabral

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY SUPERINTENDENT
E. Arthur Enderle III

APPOINTED OFFICIALS as of June 30, 2011

AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION
Richard U. Sherman, Chairman
Alan Baker
John Burnham
John Drake
Albert Floyd
Gilbert Hayes
James M. Halloran
Lois Noble
Debbie Talamini
Tom Talamini
Kristen H. Martin, Associate Member
Joanne Drapeau, Alt.
Albert Grant, Alt.
Ken Francis, Alt.

BUILDING COMMITTEE
Cliff Nelson, Chairman
Elzear Rodrigue, Vice Chairman
James Thurz, Secretary
Jim Borrup
William Grace
Stanley Kement, Jr.
Joseph Pellegrini
Joseph Sauerhoefer

CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMISSION
Elizabeth Burns
Scott Riach
James C. Richards

CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE
Denise Menard, First Selectman
Catherine Cabral, Town Treasurer
Leonard Norton
Joseph Pellegrini
Kathy Pippin
Richard P. Pippin, Jr.
Elzear Rodrigue
Joseph Sauerhoefer
Blaine Simpkins

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT TOURISM DISTRICT
James C. Richards

COMMISSION FOR THE ELDERLY
Claire Badstubner, Chairman
Elizabeth Burns, Municipal Agent
Trevor Bray
Deborah A. Donavan
Catherine Drouin
Madeleine Thompson

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS - as of June 30, 2011

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Albert Grant, Chairman
Robert Slate, Vice Chairman
James F. Strempfer, Secretary
Barbara Holloran, Alt
Jan Warren

DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS
David Rajala, Democrat
Lynn Stanley, Republican

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Eric Moffett, Chairman
Richard Covill, Co-Chairman
Josh Kapelner
Ryan Nilsson
James C. Richards

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
Blaine G. Simpkins, Director
Kevin E. Green
John W. Madigan
Jonathan Towle

ETHICS COMMISSION
Robert Cotiaux, Chairman
David Menard, Secretary
Daniel Belisle
Matthew Crossen
James Richards

GREATER HARTFORD TRANSIT DISTRICT
Gilbert Hayes

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Barbara Smigel, Chairman
Beverly Percoski, Vice Chairman
Barbara LeMay, Secretary
Elizabeth Lamb
Pauline C. Legasie

INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES AGENCY
Michael Ceppetelli, Chairman
Richard Osborn, Vice Chairman
Michael Koczera
John B. Malin, Secretary
Ronald Savaria
Michael Sawka
Robert Slate
Alan Baker, Alternate
Kathryn A. Roloff, Alternate

INLAND WETLANDS AGENT
Robin Newton

MUNICIPAL AGENT
Elizabeth Burns

NORTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT HEALTH DEPARTMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
William Blitz, Director
Cecelia Mickey
Carol Sargent

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Cheryl A. Balch
Jeffrey Bancroft
Blaine Simpkins
Ted Szymanski

PENSION AND RETIREMENT BOARD
Denise Menard – First Selectman
John L. Burnham
Edward Bowsza
Jason E. Bowsza
Catherine Cabral – Pension Administrator
Dale Nelson
John Pica-Sneeden
Kathleen Pippin
Thomas J. Strempfer

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
Joseph P. Ouellette, Chairman
Frank K. Gowdy, Vice Chairman
Lorraine Devanney, Secretary
Jim Thurz
Craig Wentworth
Marti Zhigailo, Alt
Patrick J. Mulkern, Alt

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE OF APPEALS
Donald Arcari – Hearing Official
Dorian Owens
Elzear Rodrigue
Scott Riach
George Snyder
Jim Thurz

VETERANS COMMISSION
Ernie Teixeira, Chairman
D. James Barton, Jr., Vice Chairman
Edward Filipone, Treasurer
George Butenkoff
Gilbert Hayes
Rick Webster
Scott Morgan
Loretta Wentworth
Victor DeCapua, Alt
Mary Morgan, Alt

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
Paul Anderson, Chairman
Thomas Davis, Vice Chairman
D. James Barton
Richard P. Pippin, III
David Tyler
Martha Paluch, Alt
Charles T. Riggott, Alt

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS - as of June 30, 2011

FIRST SELECTMAN
Denise Menard

SELECTMAN
Mark Simmons, Deputy First Selectman
John L. Burnham
Gilbert R. Hayes
Richard P. Pippin, Jr.

BOARD OF FINANCE
Jack Mannette, Chairman
Danelle Godeck, Secretary
Jason E. Bowsza
Marie DeSousa
Robert N. Little
Kathleen Pippin
Jamie Daniel, Alt.
Jerilyn Corso, Alt.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
John V. Pica-Sneeden, Chairman
William G. Raber, Vice Chairman
Leslie Hunt, Secretary
Kathy Bilodeau
Judith Rajala
William Schultz
Catherine Simonelli
Lynn Stanley
Terri Willingham

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS
James M. Lenegan, Chairman
Marilyn F. Butenkoff
Muriel Welles

CONSTABLES
Jeffrey J. Bancroft
D. James Barton, Jr.
James P. Barton
Kenneth C. Crouch
Richard P. Pippin, Jr.
Blaine G. Simpkins
Leo Szymanski

POLICE COMMISSION
Linda Sinsigallo, Chairman
Cliff Nelson
Joseph Sauerhoefer
Richard U. Sherman
Thomas J. Strempfer

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Dnaiel Nadeau, Democrat
Linda C. Sinsigallo, Republican

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Thomas Arcari, Chairman
Stanley W. Palaski, Jr. Vice Chairman
James F. Strempfer
Jose Giner
Raymond D. Noble
Thomas J. Gudzunas, Alt.
George Michna, Alt.
Loretta Wentworth, Alt.

REPORT OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011

During 2010-2011, East Windsor faced many challenges but as always, we met those challenges while continuing to make positive changes that will serve our community well for the future. The progress East Windsor continues to experience is only possible with the assistance of our many volunteers and dedicated staff. Thank you to all.

In October 2010, voters approved the $3.8 million North Road Sewer Extension Project funded by a U.S. Department of Agriculture loan & grant. The Project replaces a pump station and extends sewers on North Road to the intersection of Mullen Road. Construction began in Spring 2011 with completion expected in the Spring of 2012. In addition to the North Road Project, East Windsor received a Small Cities Block Grant of $500,000 to continue the rehabilitation of the roads and drainage in the Prospect Hill neighborhood and in December, we received a $600,000 State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development grant to resurface the Thompson & Newberry Roads.

With the help of the Veterans' Commission and countless volunteers, East Windsor celebrated two significant veterans' events. Our Korean War veterans were honored in a ceremony in October 2010 with the help of Secretary of the State Susan Bysiewicz. In May 2011 "The Wall That Heals", a replica of the Vietnam Wall in Washington DC, was displayed at the East Windsor Park. Many visitors came to view The Wall and all left with a better understanding of our nation's time in Vietnam. It was a very moving time for many, veterans and civilians alike. Thank you to all that worked to bring The Wall to East Windsor.

We will all remember the Winter of 2011 for the challenging amount of snow and ice we had. In February, the snow accumulated on building roofs began to cause roofs to collapse throughout the area. East Windsor had at least 2 large business properties along with a number of barns that were total losses with many more structures sustaining serious damage from excessive snow on roofs. Schools were closed for a number of days while snow and ice was cleared off our schools and Town buildings. On a brighter note, Richard Sherman was honored as East Windsor's Citizen of the Year. Mr. Sherman, an outdoorsman and ham radio operator, is a current member of the Police Commission, its Chairman for a number of years. He is also Chairman of the American Heritage River Committee. Congratulations!

Late in 2010, the Town's Bond rating was raised from Al to A2, good news demonstrating that East Windsor is a financially healthy community despite the difficult economic times. The Winter/Spring of 2011 brought another year of budget challenges to all towns and cities in Connecticut. East Windsor's Grand List increased by $4.3 million. The Board of Selectmen recommended a conservative General Government budget of $13.74 million. The Board of Finance sent a total 2011-2012 budget of $33.14 million to Referendum on May 10, 2011. The budget was approved and a tax rate of 24.38 mills was set for 2011-2012.

Some outstanding volunteer projects in 2010-11 include:

- Dedicated volunteers raised $20,000+ to establish an East Windsor Dog Park, a recreation area enjoyed by both dogs and their owners that opened in the Spring.
- The American Heritage River Committee continues to diligently clear the Scantic River and the land adjacent to the River to allow for safe recreation.
- A dedicated group of volunteers celebrated the 10th year anniversary of Scout Hall, what a great facility built with donations and manned by volunteers
- And finally, a gifted group of gardeners, The East Windsor Garden Club, quietly and with great dedication does beautification projects throughout the Town.

What wonderful examples of how the ideas and energies of dedicated residents help make East Windsor the wonderful community it is.

In December 2010, Jeff Allen passed away. Always cheerful, Jeff was a dedicated driver for our Senior CenterTransportation program. We also said a sad farewell to lifelong resident Marilyn Rajala in May 2011. Marilyn was a dedicated Town Registrar of Voters for 35 years who gave to East Windsor in many ways.

Finally in an effort to provide the public with a less formal way of speaking with the Board of Selectmen, in addition to the regular Board of Selectmen meetings, the Selectmen held Citizen's Forums at various locations in Town. The Town's website has also been updated to make information more easily available to Town residents. I encourage you all to use the website www.eastwindsorct.com for Town general information, registering for recreation programs, paying taxes, announcements, calendars and more. The First Selectman's office is always available at Town Hall (860.623.8122) if you need assistance. Don't hesitate to stop by or call.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Menard, **First Selectman**

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

The Board of Assessment Appeals is charged to serve as an appeal body for aggrieved taxpayers as well as to review and correct values set by the Assessor. The Board consists of three members, James M. Lenegan, Marilyn F. Butenkoff and Muriel Welles, each elected for a term of four years. The Board held public sessions at the Town Hall in March of 2011. 23 appeals were heard and acted upon by Board members. An additional session was held in September, 2010 for the purpose of hearing taxpayers' appeals on motor vehicle assessments only. 4 appeals were heard and acted upon by Board members.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Lenegan, **Chairman**

TREASURER REPORT

The office of the Treasurer works with all Town departments to oversee financial record keeping and reporting for the Town. The functions include annual audit preparation and reporting, assisting the Capital Improvement Program and the Board of Finance in the budget process. The office is also responsible for payroll, accounts payable and receivable as well as managing all Town government insurance needs, investments, and the pension plan. Fiscal year 2010-2011 brought changes to the financial reports. There is new fund balance reporting which separates the income to better reflect the components of the fund balance. An organizational chart for the Town and more detailed debt reporting has been added to the financials. Policies and procedures are continuing to be compiled and updated for all of the financial functions.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Cabral, **Treasurer**

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Building Department seeks substantial compliance with all provisions of the 2005 State of Connecticut Building Code. The Building Department addresses all questions relative to the mode or manner of construction, the method and materials proposed in the construction of all structures, including but not limited to, additions, alterations, repairs, removal, demolition, installation of service equipment, and the location, use, occupancy, and maintenance of all buildings and structures, except as otherwise specifically provided for by state statute. The Department consists of two full time employees with the support of one part-time administrative employee. The staff assists the public with building code queries, the permitting process, inspections, violations, and the issuance of Certificates of Occupancies. We provide a wide array of assistance to attorneys, appraisers, architects, engineers, contractors, real estate agents, businesses and homeowners.

The Building Department works in conjunction with and would like to thank the following agencies for their cooperation: Planning & Development, Inland Wetland Watercourse Agency, Tax Collector's Office, Town Engineer, Water Pollution Control Authority, Town Fire Marshal, District Fire Marshal, Broad Brook Fire Department, Warehouse Point Fire Department, East Windsor Police Department, North Central District Health Department, State Department of Transportation, State Department of Consumer Protection, State Department of Environmental Protection and all utility companies servicing the Town of East Windsor.

Respectfully submitted,
Rand Davis Stanley, **Building Official**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Our Economic Development Commission is a volunteer organization continually moving forward to focus on core strategy: to help create open land, support for our business community, and the creation of good paying jobs for our youth. We live in a global economy and we must take advantage of new opportunities to generate additional revenue. Economic Growth means improvements to our schools, our town hall, our senior centers, and our community. Strong business means a strong community.

We as a community need to work together for Economic Development. As an important part of our everyday life there are some things we can do to help support our community and our businesses. You can assist our local business to help us grow as a community by supporting our businesses; buy locally. Our businesses make a difference in keeping taxes low. By making East Windsor an attractive place for our business community to flourish through sales of goods, we will see the benefits. Educate yourself on the real issue surrounding growth and opportunities for economic stability. If you have questions, call the Town Hall and get informed and get involved. The town is always looking for residents to volunteer for our commissions and be a part of our growth. Let your voice be heard and be part of the solution and the future of your town.

In 2011, we have seen continued positive forward growth opportunities for the town of East Windsor. Last year our main goal for 2010 was the approval of the sewer line extension. Now that construction has begun on this project, the next steps in 2011 and continuing into 2012, was and is, to identify the positive growth opportunities we can develop along this corridor and bring in the much needed jobs and revenue that will help our community grow. In September we worked with the Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) to facilitate a forum where residents could speak out and voice their thoughts on how to develop the Route 140 Corridor. From this meeting we will work with the Planning Department and PZC to develop a road map of planned growth that fits within the communities' visions. As we have always stated, the sewer project and the adjacent land is the right spot for business development. We are not looking for housing developments along this route. We have other areas within the town that could be used for such growth. The Route 140 corridor is our business corridor and we need to collectively focus on what business we can encourage in this area.

As in years past, we continue to work with the Metro Hartford Alliance and the EDC continues to aggressively seek out businesses and support those businesses that call East Windsor home. STR is a new business that continues to occupy and improve a facility in the Industrial park. We continue to work with the East Windsor Chamber of Commerce (EWCC) to promote new business growth. In working with them, we have created a means for land owners to list their available business property on the town web site. We have also worked the EWCC to create a welcome package for new businesses to learn more about what our community has to offer. As we begin the new year, we will hold our 2012 "Town to Business" forum in January, which offers our business leaders a way to directly talk with town officials to hear their comments on how we are doing and how we can help support them in East Windsor. This is always a great event and every year the participation grows. We look forward to another successful meeting with our town Businesses.

2010-2011 EAST WINDSOR VETERANS COMMISSION

The East Windsor Veterans Commission meets on the first Thursday of each month with no regular meetings scheduled for June and July. The commission consists of nine members and two alternate members who are appointed by the Board of Selectman, to serve a staggered four year term. The primary functions of the East Windsor Veterans Commission are to recognize the honorable service to our country of all East Windsor veterans, to serve the needs of all honorable discharged East Windsor veterans and to promote programs that benefit East Windsor veterans from all branches of military service.

Last November, 20 10, we held our I I th annual Veterans Day 5 K road race on our certified race course in Broad Brook with many participants. Our annual race day event increases in popularity each year. Many East Windsor businesses are very generous by contributing sponsorship for our race and our Veterans Commission would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their faithful support.

Every June, the East Windsor Veterans Commission presents a $500.00 scholarship award to both a male and a female East Windsor High School graduating senior. The scholarship awards are based on student need, academics and his or her family connection with a United States veteran.

The Memorial Day parade is organized by the East Windsor Veterans Commission each year and is held in the Warehouse Point section of East Windsor culminating with a moving ceremony on the Warehouse Point Green honoring our fallen heroes.

The East Windsor Veterans Commission also sponsors the placement and maintenance of the American flags that line the Main Streets in Broad Brook and Warehouse Point through a flag donation program. We also provide and install memorial bricks that surround our veterans' monument in the East Windsor Veterans Cemetery in Windsorville. The East Windsor Veterans Commission, in partnership with the East Windsor American Legion Post 40, brought the traveling Vietnam Wall "The Wall That Heals" to East Windsor in May. The East Windsor Veterans Commission and American Legion have had several meetings together this year to plan the event. The East Windsor Veterans Commission would like to take this time to thank everyone that helped plan the event and that volunteered many hours to the event.The East Windsor Veterans Commission would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the men and women who have served and are now serving their country today. Their sacrifice and honorable call to duty is a sterling example to all Americans.

Scott M. Morgan **Secretary East Windsor Veterans Commission**

EAST WINDSOR SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

The East Windsor Senior Center, established in 1979, is celebrating its 32 d year of operation. The Senior Center is located in the Broad Brook Section of East Windsor, above the Broad Brook Fire House. Residents sixty years of age or older are welcome to participate in scheduled programs of interest throughout the year. Janet Vining the Senior Center Nutrition Site Coordinator states the mission of the Nutrition Department at the senior center is to provide seniors with a well balanced, nutritious meal at an affordable price. This is accomplished through the cooperation of the Community Renewal Team of Hartford's elderly nutrition program which offers congregate meals to residents 60 years of age or older for a suggested nominal donation of $2.00 per meal. Each meal consists of a meat, starch and vegetable as well as bread and butter, milk, coffee and/or tea and dessert. No participant will be refused a meal for the inability to pay. The Community Renewal Team's elderly nutrition program is federally funded and the $2.00 per meal suggested donation has remained the same for at least the past eight years even in today's hard economic times. We highly encourage all seniors in our community to take advantage and benefit from this wonderful program.

Meals are served at the community cafe congregate meal site at the senior center Monday thru Friday at noontime. Our daily menu for the current month is available on the East Windsor Town Website listed under Senior Services. Meal reservations may be made by calling the Nutrition Department at (860) 292-8279 between the hours of 8:3012:00 the day before planning to attend.

For assistance to our homebound elderly who are physically unable to shop, plan and prepare meals on their own we also offer through the support of Hartford's Community Renewal Team the Meals on Wheels program. This program has the same suggested donation of $2.00 per meal. These meals consist of a hot lunch and cold supper and are delivered to our clients five days a week by our volunteer drivers (weekend meals are delivered on Friday). The Meals on Wheels meals are delivered to the senior center Monday thru Friday via the Community Renewal Team's truck driver who also delivers the meals for the community cafe lunch program. The Meals on Wheels meals are then sorted into two routes by our volunteer drivers, one for our Broad Brook clients and one for our Warehouse Point clients. We are very fortunate to have two different volunteer drivers Monday thru. Friday for this purpose. We are still in need of more replacement drivers who are willing to donate an hour or two when a replacement driver is needed. I would like to take this time to commend all our volunteer drivers, many of which have been delivering meals to our homebound seniors for many years such as Cathy Crouch who last year celebrated her 30th year of delivering meals on wheels. Without the loyalty and dependability of those past and present very special people this program would not be possible.

The Nutrition Department continues to serve meals for our monthly birthday socials where we acknowledge birthdays for that particular month as well as our ever popular Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. In addition we continue to serve meals for special occasions such as Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, Mother and Fathers Day, the annual Senior Picnic and special Halloween lunch. All of our special socials feature wonderful live entertainment.

The Nutrition Department consists of a Site Manager/Meals on Wheels Coordinator, site volunteers and volunteer Meals on Wheels drivers.

Over the past year in addition to our various daily activities at the center, a few more newly formed monthly program activities have been included and continue to be very popular. These program activities are Arts and Crafts which promote creativity in our seniors, the Focus Group for sharing ideas for future programs and trips, and Food for Thought which focuses on healthy food choices and food sampling.

We strive to accomplish for our seniors, a sense of community and socialization in a warm, inviting safe environment to congregate for their noontime meal as well as participating in various daily activities.

According to Teresa Hill Transportation Coordinator, Our transportation program continues to be successful. We provide service to East Windsor senior citizens who are 60 years of age and older. We also provide service to East Windsor residents who are currently 18 years of age and older who are on Social Security Disability. Our department consists of one Transportation Coordinator, two full time drivers and one part time driver. This is a pre-scheduled service and is here to aid and supplement transportation to those who qualify. All of our vehicles are equipped with handicap lifts for those who use a wheelchair or can not climb the stairs of the vehicle. We offer transportation for medical appointments, shopping trips, which include grocery stores, and individual trips to selected stores that are of interest to our clients. We also transport clients to hair salons, barber shops, banks, to pick up prescriptions and to and from the senior center for both our nutrition program and for all activities held at the center. Our transportation service is also used for trips offered by the senior center. The staff of the senior center takes great pleasure when a client tells us how much our service means to them. Many of our clients do not have family close by and for those who utilize our transportation service it provides social interaction with their peers on the bus and at the senior center. We feel that this is important because many of our clients live alone. They repeat to us that we are their second family and that our services are so important to the quality of their lives. We will be receiving a new vehicle any day through a DOT grant that we applied for in 2009. We were also approved for another new vehicle through a grant we applied for in 2010. This vehicle will not come in until 2012. We are fortunate that these grants are available to us and that we have been approved for them. It makes a major difference in our vehicle maintenance costs as many of the repairs are covered under warranty. As the vehicles in our fleet age and come out of warranty the repairs needed can be very costly. Turning them over with the opportunity to get new vehicles through the DOT grants has been very cost efficient. We are pleased to report that we presently have 395 clients who are registered with us and utilize our service on a regular basis. We will continue to service our clients to the best of our ability so that they can feel secure that their transportation needs will be met.

We continue to sponsor an educational program which includes the AARP's Driver Education Class. The center offers health and wellness programs like chair yoga and the A.C.T.V.E. exercise instruction throughout the year. A series of intergenerational programs were held this past year between our town seniors and the East Windsor School System. We participated in the National Walk to School Day, the Book Buddy Program and the Annual Sock Hop with the East Windsor Family Resource Center's Summer Program participants.

Our Elder Wellness Programs are offered on a monthly basis and consist of Free Blood Pressure and Free Blood Sugar Screenings, Foot Care Services, the Annual Flu Clinic and Exercise Classes.

We continue to hold our Monthly Socials (which include live entertainment), Annual Thanksgiving dinner, Annual Christmas dinner and our Annual Senior Picnic. Additionally, we draw much participation for our Mother's Day dinner, our Father's Day dinner, Valentines Day dinner, St. Patrick's Day festivities and the Annual New Years Eve Party.

Senior Centers are focal points for our community elders as they seek out services, recreational programs, social activities, and educational programs in a safe environment. The Senior Center provides a gathering place for seniors to get and receive vital services to maintain independent and healthy lifestyles. The center affords seniors the opportunity to keep in touch with community events, and to get to know the townspeople and services available to them. All of which are offered to assist seniors in maintaining a healthy and productive lifestyle. To access our current programs and services, we are now available on the town web site and through the e-mail system.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Bums **Director of Human Services/Senior Services**
Teresa Hill **Transportation Coordinator**
Janet Vining **Nutrition Site Manager**

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

The East Windsor Visiting Nurse Association provides health services to the residents of the town as needed. We celebrate 89 years of service to the residents of East Windsor. Home Care is provided by contract with Visiting Nurse and Health Services of Connecticut in Vernon. They continue to provide excellent care while keeping cost to the town in check. They made 1500 home visits, 500 Hospice visits and 250 residents were counseled at the Wellness Clinics. 625 Meals on Wheels were distributed by the agency and 200 people were vaccinated for flu at our clinics held at the Town Hall and Annex, the Senior Center, Park Hill, Spring Village, East Windsor Schools and Town employees. These clinics were held at no cost to the Town.

Holiday food baskets were again given to over 150 needy residents at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Our specially trained volunteers did vision and hearing screenings to 1200 students at E. W. Middle School and Broad Brook Elementary School. Two scholarships were given to E. W. students - Kelsey Mocadlo a 2nd year nursing student at the University of Connecticut and Briana Matteson, a 1st year nursing student at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth.

We continue to loan medical equipment such as walkers, crutches, wheelchairs, commodes etc. on a short term basis to any East Windsor resident. We also have packages of Depends to give free of charge.

If you need home care services, please call Visiting Nurse Services of Connecticut in Vernon at 860-872-9163. For questions regarding East Windsor VNA call Carol at 860-623-1424

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol A. Sargent, **E. W. V. N. A. President**

WAREHOUSE POINT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Warehouse Point Volunteer Fire Department (WHPFD) has served the residents of East Windsor and surrounding towns for over 100 years. It was established in April of 1910 by an Act of the Connecticut General Assembly. Up to that point, fires were extinguished by the Windsor Locks Volunteer Fire Department, which responded with a battalion of firefighters pulling a "hand gig as there was no motorized fire apparatus. By the time the firefighters ran across the Warehouse Point/Windsor Locks Bridge, they were spent."What began as a group of volunteers armed with just buckets, rope and a "hand gig" has morphed into a highly sophisticated technologically adept fire department

From November 1, 2010 to Oct 3 1, 2011 the WHPFD responded to 3 69 alarms. The most serious, from a firefighting perspective, was a house fire on Newberry Road which was saved but with heavy smoke and water damage. During hurricane Irene, firefighters spent several days preparing for the storm and actually remained at the fire station overnight to respond to alarms in the event of a power failure. Following the storm and with heavy rains thereafter, WHPFD spent in excess of one week attempting to resolve residential and commercial flooding issues. Additionally, WHPFD responded to Monson, MA for search and rescue operations over a two day period, immediately following a devastating tornado. Most of the alarms to which the WHPFD responds are motor vehicle accidents for fire suppression and extrication.

As the commercial and industrial hub of East Windsor, the Interstate 91 and Route 5 corridors, as well as the Connecticut River, the 34 volunteer firefighters of WHPFD are kept busy with recurrent State, OSHA and NFPA mandated training, motor vehicle accidents, river rescues, hazardous materials mitigation and fire fighting. The entire WHPFD consists of volunteer resident firefighters who maintain full time employment and donate their time and talent to the Fire Department in an effort to save tax payers of East Windsor hundreds of thousands of dollars over the expense of a full-time paid department. As with other volunteer fire departments, WHPFD is in need of volunteers to carry on the volunteer firefighting tradition and keep taxes in check. While the cost of a volunteer fire department may appear, at first glance, to be expensive, it is far, far less than a paid fire service such as the Hartford Fire Department. The volunteer firefighters are trained to the same standards and criteria but without the added expense of full-time paid personnel, thus the critical importance of volunteers. Many of the WHPFD volunteers are over 50, several are over 60 and one is over 70 years of age. All are active and all respond to alarms.

The Fire District buildings and infrastructure are over 50 years old and are in need or repair and refurbishment.

Dedication, commitment and loyalty to our duty has, is and will continue to be the motto of the Warehouse Point Volunteer Fire Department. Thank you for your continued support. You are invited to stop by Station 1 at 89 Bridge Street anytime you see firefighters present for a tour. Should you want to join the department and give of your time, please call 860-623-5596

Respectfully submitted,
James Burton, **Chief Warehouse Point Volunteer Fire Department**
Victor DeCapua,**Chairman, Board of Fire Commissioners**

ZONING BOARD of APPEALS (ZBA)

The Zoning Board of Appeals consists of five regular members and three alternates all of whom are elected for fouryear terms. This past year Thomas Arcari served as Chairman, with Stanley Paleski, Jr. as Vice Chairman and James Strempfer as Secretary. The other regular members were Jose Giner and Dan Noble, with Thomas Gudzunas, George Michna and Christine Wentworth serving as alternates.

The primary function of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) is to review and act upon applications for variances from the Zoning Regulations when it is determined that a literal interpretation of the law would create a unique hardship. The ZBA also hears and decides appeals where citizens allege that there is an error in any order, requirement, or decision made by the Zoning Enforcement Officer. In addition, the ZBA, under the State Statutes, is the authority to grant location approval for dealing in or repairing motor vehicles.

The ZBA is staffed through the Planning and Zoning Department. This department handles applications and provides information to the public. The ZBA meets on the first Monday of each month at the Town Hall. All hearings are open to the public. Citizens may speak for or against an application or may question the ZBA or applicant regarding a pending application.

This year the ZBA held five regular meetings and one special meeting at which four variances were requested resulting in one approval and three denials. There were no location approvals this past year for motor vehicle licenses. Application fees totaling $328 were collected this fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Arcari Chairman, EW ZBA
FY 2010-11

FIRE MARSHAL FOR TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

The Fire Marshal for the Town of East Windsor is appointed by the Board of Selectmen and is under said jurisdiction. As a fire marshal in the State of Connecticut, I am regulated by the Connecticut State Police and receive my certification from the State to enforce the Life Safety Code which was adopted by the State of Connecticut. In order to maintain certification, the State mandates that every fire marshal receive ninety (90) hours of schooling within a three (3) year period every three years.

As Fire Marshal for the Town, I annually inspect all local businesses, places of assembly, schools and multi-family dwellings over three-families. New liquor licenses, as well as renewals, must be signed off by the Fire Marshal. I follow up on complaints regarding possible fire code violations. When requested, I review proposed site plans for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

There is a great deal of coordination with the Building Department in regards to sign offs prior to issuance of a building permit and issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for buildings/structures that fall under the fire marshal's jurisdiction. We also coordinate the paperwork prior to and after storage tank removal or replacement for businesses/industrial properties which requires an inspection after the proper paperwork is obtained from the Building Department. It is my responsibility to maintain records of all underground storage tanks and update as tanks are removed or replaced. After a building permit is issued for installation of a sprinkler system, I must inspect said work for compliance.

I am responsible for inspections/investigations after a fire. Following each inspection/investigation a report must be submitted to the State Fire Marshal's office who in turn sends it on to the National Reporting agency.

Respectfully submitted,
Blaine G. Simpkins, **Town Fire Marshal**

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

As Registrars, we are dedicated to the efficient conduct of free and impartial elections, competent management of voter registration and enrollment processes. Our office is dedicated to nonpartisan politics as mandated by the Secretary of the States office.

We develop and oversee various methods of administration for all elections: national, state, municipal, primaries and referenda. We are responsible for voter education and new voter recruitment. The East Windsor Registrar of Voters office was instrumental in developing the first High School Student Registration program in the State of CT in the 1970's. We administer an annual canvas of electors that is utilized in measuring which voters are active in town and which voters have become inactive. Registrars maintain and update voter files, prepare departmental budgets and hire and train election officials. We print registration and enrollment lists and insure that our voting machines are well maintained. We constantly strive to remain current of election laws and practices. This includes local, state and national laws that are continually being modified.

Our dedicated and experienced staff provides our voters with the highest professional election environment possible. Our staff is professionally trained and certified by our office and by the State of Connecticut.

East Windsor's voter population has seen significant growth from 4853 registered voters in 1990 to 7098 registered voters in 2011.

We are available by appointment outside of regular office hours by contacting us at: (860) 292-5915. Please visit us on the Town Website, (www.eastwindsorct.com) for information and updates.

In Memory of Marilyn Rajala for 35 years of dedicated service.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel R. Nadeau, **Democratic Registrar**
DNadeau@eastwindsorct.com
Linda C. Sinsigallo, **Republican Registrar**
LSinsigallo@eastwindsorct.com

TAX COLLECTOR

The office of the Tax Collector is responsible for the billing and collection of all municipal taxes in accordance with the CT General Statutes. In addition to real estate, motor vehicle and personal property, the office also collects parking ticket fines, aircraft registration and copy fees. The office is further responsible for the billing and collection of Sewer Benefit Assessment and Sewer Facility Connection Fees in conjunction with the WPCA. The Tax Office reconciles all receivables with the Grand Rate Book and the Treasurer's Office as well as issuing refunds and working closely with the Assessor's Office processing pro-rations, abatements and add-on tax bills.

This year brought positive results from the previous year's effort to strengthen collection policies in accordance with CT General Statutes in an endeavor to improve collections and decrease past year delinquencies.

In Fiscal Year 10-11, the Tax Office reported Tax collections of $26,271,588 which was 101.56% of the tax levy. This represents tax, interest and penalties from current and previous grand list years. These tax collections in addition to Parking ticket fines, Aircraft Registrations and copy fees resulted in an overall revenue collection rate of 100.58%. The increased collection rate was accomplished by using the strengthened policies and collection enhancements and the diligent and hard work of the committed staff: Assistant Tax Collector, Andrea Drossel-Shea and Tax Clerk, Mary Ann Simmons.

As always, the Tax Office staff welcomes taxpayers to contact us in order to work with them on an individual basis to address their needs and questions.

Respectfully submitted,
Samantha A. Lee, CCMC, **Tax Collector**

EAST WINDSOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

East Windsor Emergency Management is there to serve during crisis situations. Some of our functions include:

Updating Emergency Operations Plans including making them National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliant.

A disaster plan, which was provided to the Connecticut Office of Emergency Management, including details such as food and ice availability.

- In the Town Garage storage area there are sixty (60) cots and bedding, which is the distribution point for the area.

National incident management systems training, which defines the roles of individuals in case of an actual emergency.

- The Town has two shelters: The Town Hall Annex and Senior Center
- This past year we went on standby due to the inclement weather condition.

Respectfully Submitted,
Blaine Simpkins, **Director of Emergency Management**

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Information Technology Department provides computer support for the Town's various Departments, Boards, Commissions and Agencies. Utilizing a shared service concept we are able to standardize software and hardware solutions and share the resources available for Information Technology between all entities of the Town and the East Windsor Public School System.

The Information Technology Department deploys and maintains all critical core infrastructure required by all agencies to process their work. From computer software upgrades, maintaining the security of data town wide and training services for all town employees the Information Technology Department helps keep the Town of East Windsor running everyday.

The Information Technology Department coordinates the website for the town, www.eastwindsorct.com . Our goal, by all those that maintain it's content, is to make it the first and best place for anyone to get information regarding our town.

Our large project accomplishments for 2010/2011 include:

- Installed new updated virus/malware that will include all departments in the coming months.
- Continued the updating of the Town Hall server and its operating systems along with support software.
- Further expanded the town wide network that links all town buildings together for sharing information and to be more productive in managing the computer network infrastructure.

In conclusion the Information Technology Department responds to town I.T. issues for 12 Departments at 4 individual locations. We refurbish and re-deploy all equipment whenever possible. And finally we provide a variety of education to improve productivity for the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Information Technology Department

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING

The Public Works/Engineering Department consists of 6 highway maintainers, 1 parks & grounds maintainer, I working foreman, I part time administrative assistant and a Director of Public Works/Town Engineer/Tree Warden.

The Public Works Department is responsible for the maintenance of approximately 70 miles of Town roadways including pavement patching, overlayment and chip sealing, maintenance of storm drainage and waterways, snow plowing and sanding, the removal of dead trees within the Town's right-of-ways, and the responsibility of maintenance of Town owned buildings. We also assist with the hazardous waste collection day in the spring and provide manpower and equipment to assist other Town departments with the moving of furniture and other items. We are on call 24/7 to the East Windsor Police Department and the Broad Brook and Warehouse Point Volunteer Fire Departments to remove downed trees, and other items that create hazardous conditions, from Town roads, assistance with structure and brush fires and flooding conditions.

The Engineering Department is responsible for the design of Town roadway and drainage projects. We also review plans submitted to the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Wetlands Commission, and the Water Pollution Control Authority and oversee all roadway and site development construction projects in Town.

Some of our accomplishments this year include shimming and chip sealing of approximately 5 miles of Town roads, the second phase of the Prospect Hill Development roadway and drainage improvements, with the help of a $500,000.00 grant and the hot asphalt recycling and overlaying of approximately 4 miles of roadway in the industrial park, Newberry Road and Winkler Road from Newberry to North Road with the help of a $600,000.00 grant.

Lastly, let us not forget the tremendous amount of snow that fell this past winter. In particular, the month of January, the snow buried the Town and contributed to the collapse of several structures in Town. The Public Works Department worked diligently to keep the roadways clear for safe passage. We also assisted with the removal of the snow from the roofs of and grounds around the Town Buildings.

Respectfully submitted,
Leonard J. Norton, P.E. **Director of Public Works/Town Engineer/Tree Warden**

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is authorized as an advisory commission and shall conduct research into the utilization and possible utilization of land areas of the municipality and may coordinate the activities of unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes, and may advertise, prepare and distribute books, maps, charts, plans and pamphlets as necessary for its purposes. It may propose a greenways plan for inclusion in the plan of conservation and development of the municipality prepared pursuant to section 8-23. It may inventory natural resources and formulate watershed management and drought management plans. Such plans shall be consistent with water supply management plans prepared pursuant to section 25-32d. It shall keep an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such areas, and may from time to time recommend to the planning commission or, if none, to the chief executive officer or the legislative body plans and programs for the development and use of such areas. It may make recommendations to zoning commissions, planning commissions, inland wetlands agencies and other municipal agencies on proposed land use changes. It shall keep records of its meetings and activities and shall make an annual report to the municipality in the manner required of other agencies of the respective municipalities.

Over the past year the Commission has been working on inventorying open space owned by the Town and the current use of the open space. Also being inventoried is all Town owned properties. The Commission worked on drafting a letter to farmers who own 30 acres or more to gauge interest in whether or not a property owner would be interested in Farmland Preservation Options through the State of Connecticut. The Commission will be sending the letters out to those property owners in the next fiscal year. Other ideas and topics discussed were Community Gardens for both the Broad Brook and Warehouse Point areas. The Commission is working hard to establish properties that could be used for Community Gardens along with discussing a fair process in the establishment and reservation process for the gardens. Look for the Commission in the upcoming year to be at Community Events to start getting people involved in the conservation of open space, farmland and recreational land for the Town of East Windsor.

The Conservation Commission consists of 5 regular members and 3 alternate members serving alternate terms. Members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Currently the Commission consists of 5 Regular Members: Albert Grant, Chairman, Robert Slate, Vice-Chairman, Jim Strempfer, Secretary, Janice Warren and Barbara Halloran. There are currently no alternates on the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,
Albert Grant, **Chairman**

EAST WINDSOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

The staff of the East Windsor Water Pollution Authority is pleased to provide the following annual report on the objectives and activities of the Water Pollution Control Facility. The Water Pollution Control Authority is responsible for overseeing the operation and maintenance of the town's sanitary sewer collection system, ten wastewater pumping stations and the wastewater treatment facilities. The Authority is comprised of five regular members and two alternate members. Each member is appointed to a term of four years. Paul Anderson was reappointed as Chairman and Tom Davis as the WPCA Vice Chairman. These two gentlemen were honored by the staff of the WPCF this past spring for their years of selfless service and tireless advocacy for the WPCA and community.

The East Windsor Water Pollution Control Facility operates under a National Pollutant Discharge elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection. The mission of the WPCF staff is to operate and maintain the facilities in a cost effective and efficient manner while maintaining them in a manner to preserve their long term asset value.

The revenue required to collectively operate and maintain the facilities is collected through an annual sewer user charge fee. An annual sewer use charge bill is sent to all of the units connected to the sanitary sewer system. The resulting revenue pays for all direct costs associated with operation and maintenance of the facilities. The FY 20112012 operating budget for the Water Pollution Control Authority was $1,287,738.00

Currently there are 4998 sewer use charge units distributed throughout the 2,170 connections to the system. Each unit paid a sewer use charge fee of $240.00. The difference between the operating budget and the amount billed to customers comes from interest earned, late fees, collected delinquencies and surplus from the previous budget years.

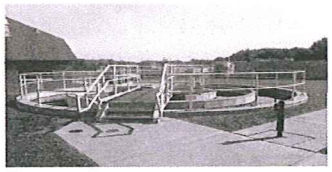
The facility is designed to treat an average daily flow of 2.5 million gallons per day. This past year the facility averaged 0.71 million gallons per day. The facility continues to operate very well achieving removal rates in the upper 95th percentile for suspended solids and biochemical oxygen demand.

As part of the Long Island Sound CT Nitrogen Trading Program we received a check from the CT DEP for $15,279.00 for our efforts in reducing our discharge of Nitrogen into the Connecticut River. This is directly attributable to the efforts of the WPCF's Lab Technician / Process Control Operator Konrad Karolczuk. Since the inception of the Nitrogen Trading program Konrad's diligent efforts has resulted in over $100,000 in credits being returned to the sewer use ratepayers as revenue.

This past year operators Marc Brennan and Jonathan Ference passed their State of Connecticut Wastewater Operator Certification Exam for Class I Operator. Steven Bednarz passed his State of Connecticut Class 11 Operator Certification Exam. All operators at the WPCA are now certified. The WPCF is staffed by a well trained and experienced crew. Plant staff are certified in both wastewater treatment and collection system operation and maintenance. Four of the staff are also certified in Laboratory analysis. Staff continually attends training to ensure they are up to date on the latest safety, operational, and maintenance procedures available.

WPCA Chief Operator Edward Alibozek was selected as the Connecticut Operator of the Year by the New England Water Environment Association. This prestigious award was bestowed upon Ed due to the great work he has accomplished during the 22 years he has been with the East Windsor facility. WPCF staff continues to identify and undertake projects that are addressing both the needs of the infrastructure and process capabilities of thefacility. Much of the sanitary sewer system was jet flushed this summer. This aids us in assessing the infrastructure in order to repair deficiencies we uncover. We have also started to conduct televised video inspection of suspected problem area's to target with pinpoint accuracy the areas needing rehabilitation.

This year we are undertaking a comprehensive evaluation of the auxiliary sewage pumping stations. Some of these stations have exceeded their life expectancy and we need to plan for their upgrades to ensure continued uninterrupted operation of the sewage collection system,The North Road Sewer Extension project is nearing completion. Spazzarini Construction Co has done a superb job in light of the difficult conditions. Construction on the new North Rd Sewage Pumping Station has begun and is anticipated to be completed this winter. The Sewer line should be flowing in spring of 2012. The staff of the WPCA extends thanks to everyone for their understanding and patience during this construction season.As the facility is over 16 years old we are focusing our attention on long term asset management.



We are responsible for well over 20 million dollars of equipment that needs to be maintained in good operating condition 24/7 365 days a year. Much of what we maintain is considered mission critical and our job is to ensure it is always operating at peak efficiency. A well maintained and operating wastewater treatment system is key to the overall heath and welfare of a community and its environment.

The WPCF operates 24 hours a day 7 days a week and 365 days a year. The sewage never stops flowing so we never stop working. The WPCA holds its meetings on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the WPCF located on 192 South Water Street. All meetings are open to the public and you are encouraged to attend.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION (PZC)

The Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) typically meets on the second Tuesday of every month for Regular Meetings and the fourth Tuesday of every month for Working Sessions. The combined Commission consists of five regular members and three alternates, all appointed by the Board of Selectman to serve five year staggered terms. Commission members elect their own officers every October. This past year Joe Ouellette served as Chairman of the Commission, Frank Gowdy as Vice Chairman, and Lorraine Devanney as Secretary. The remaining regular members were Steve Farmer and James Thurz. Serving as alternates were Travis O'Brien and Patrick Mulkern. Mr. Farmer left the PZC in November, 2010 and Mr. O'Brien became a regular member in January, 2011. Peg Hoffman is the Commission's recording secretary for their meetings

The Commission reviews and acts on applications for Commercial and Residential development as well as proposed changes to the Plan of Conservation and Development, Subdivision, and Zoning Regulations.

The PZC is staffed through the Department of Planning and Development. Copies of all land use regulations can be viewed or purchased in this office located at the Town Hall. Regulations may also be viewed at local libraries. The Planning Office also has application forms, bylaws, and procedural checklists. Many of these items are now available on the Town's website: www.eastwindsorct.com

The PZC held 19 Regular Meetings. Applications received are broken down into the categories of Site Plan Reviews (7), Special Use Permits (8), Subdivision/ Resubdivisions (1) involving 3 new lots, Zone Changes (1) and Temporary Liquor Permits (2). The following fees were received by the East Windsor Planning and Zoning Commission during the past fiscal year: Hearing/application fees $13,430; Sale of Regulations & Maps $272; Miscellaneous $686; Zoning Violation Fines $3,300; and Open Space Fees $4,000, for a total of $21,688.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Ouellette, Chairman

REPORT OF THE EAST WINDSOR POLICE COMMISSION

This year marks the 37th year that the East Windsor Police Department has been in existence. Prior to this, the town was patrolled by Constables. Originally Police Commissioners were appointed to look into the feasibility of forming a department. Eventually the process progressed to a full time department with a compliment of officers.

Today, we have a team consisting of Chief Edward DeMarco and Deputy Chief Roger Hart. They work with the Police Commission to oversee the finances and well being of the members of the department. Together they contribute a wealth of knowledge and expertise in the field of law enforcement.

Our team, consisting of Richard Sherman, Vice Chairman, Cliff Nelson, Joe Sauerhoffer, and Tom Strempfer, are one of the best groups of Commissioners that I have associated with over the years. Together we make sure the department has sufficient finances and staffing. We also insure that the citizens of East Windsor are afforded the best and most professional personnel to protect the town and its citizens.

Dick Sherman and I will be retiring this November 2011. Dick has served for ~~16~~ 12 years. He was Chairman during the hiring of our present Chief and was instrumental in putting together the necessary credentials associated with the hiring process. He has been a dedicated member of our commission.

I have seen a great deal of change and improvement during the 21 years of my tenure. There have been many challenges, as a united board, we have met and resolved them. It has been a privilege to have served and represent the department. I wish the very best to those who will be elected in November and know they will continue to serve our department and community to the best of their ability.

Respectfully,
Linda Sinsigallo, Chairman

EAST WINDSOR HOUSING AUTHORITY

The East Windsor Housing Authority continues to be dedicated to providing safe, decent and affordable housing to elderly and disabled residents at the Park Hill complex.

Under the direction of Jennifer DiMauro, many new improvements were made to the Park Hill property over the past year, including new assigned handicapped parking spaces, additional general parking spaces directly accessible to the community hall and office building, and the installation of a new sign at the entrance.

The Housing Authority continues to operate under the oversight of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) and the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) and complies with all statutes, rules and regulations promoting fair housing in the state of Connecticut. The Authority has revised is Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan and many of its policies and procedures to maintain compliance with Fair Housing Law over the past year.

The Housing Authority continues a collaborative effort with the United States Air Force Recruitment Department, which has provided twenty to thirty young men and women, on two separate work days, who volunteered their time to such efforts as painting vacant apartments, landscaping, refinishing picnic tables, helping individual tenants with small garden projects, and painting the pavilion. This innovative program was coordinated by Karen Boutin, Chairman of the Housing Authority Commission. The program has saved the Authority considerable expense, by providing volunteer labor and has grown into a successful intergenerational program, bringing our elderly citizens and young military recruits together for a day long event. This is the only program of its kind in Connecticut and possibly the country, and is a model program for other Housing Authorities.

The Housing Authority was successful in obtaining FEMA assistance for the January 11, 2011 snow storm, which left a significant amount of snow to be removed by the maintenance staff. The Authority is also appreciative of the Town of East Windsor's help in arranging for help from the State of Connecticut's Dept. of Correction, to supply minimum security inmates to clear the snow from the Park Hill roofs, to avoid damage. This assistance saved the Authority considerable expense.

The Housing Authority submitted an application for the State ARRA WRAP weatherization program and was approved. The program will provide new ductless heating and cooling pumps for each of the apartments at Park Hill. These new pumps will reduce the cost of electric heat for the tenants, by saving an estimated twenty to thirty percent on their monthly heating and cooling bills. The pumps are expected to be installed as early as late Fall 2011. Other benefits of the program to Park Hill, will include the installation of attic insulation and weather stripping measures in the apartments.

Another major initiative to provide energy savings for the Park Hill residents involved the Housing Authority's submission of an application to the Town of East Windsor for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Under this grant, if awarded, the Housing Authority would be able to replace all of the original, outdated and energy inefficient doors and windows. New roofs and gutter systems would be installed on the tenant structures under this program. As required by the CDBG application process, the Housing Authority was required to submit to an Environmental study of its property by an environmental engineering firm, as well as a Hazardous Material Study. Both studies resulted in favorable findings for the property.

The Housing Authority continues to receive funding from the Department of Economic and Community Development, to operate its Resident Services Coordinator Program. Under this grant program, the Authority employs a part-time RSC or Resident Services Coordinator, who provides supportive social services to the elderly and disabled residents who request it, including assistance in filling out local, state and federal assistance program applications, providing help in coordinating home health care and/or homemaking services, coordinating special events and activities for the residents, assisting new residents with the transition to elderly housing, or transitioning to other long term care settings, as needed. Over the past year, the current RSC, Lucinda Delaware (Cindy) has been extremely successful in increasing the numbers of residents who take part in activities like weekly Movie Day, Coffee Hour, Resident's Tag Sale, a Grandparent Ice Cream Social, our Resident's "Store" and many other new activities. The RSC also ensures that each resident complete and display their "File of Life", which contains medical and other pertinent information on the front of their refrigerator, to aid first responders in the event of an emergency.

The Housing Authority sponsors two large events, at no cost to the residents each year, the Annual Christmas Party and Annual Summer Picnic. Both events attracted a very good turn out of between forty and sixty residents.

A first Annual Volunteer Recognition Event was held in 2011, honoring all of the Housing Authority Commissioners, including Karen Boutin, Chairman, Barbara LaMay, Vice Chairman, Pauline Legassie, Beverly Percoski and Elizabeth Lamb. Other volunteers who were honored, included the residents who help to coordinate and host activities and the residents who serve as "Section Monitors", who assist their neighbors during evening and weekends, on behalf of the staff of the Housing Authority. Each volunteer was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation, and a small token gift. Chairman Boutin, was presented with a special plaque, inscribed with "Volunteer Extraordinaire", in recognition of all of her efforts on behalf of Park Hill and its residents. In addition, to arranging the Armed Services Work Days, Ms. Boutin was instrumental in having two brand new picnic tables donated to Park Hill, leading Scrap-book classes for the residents, assisting staff with special projects and much more.

The Maintenance Department of the Housing Authority, staffed by Darrell Barkley, Maintenance Supervisor and Michael Provencher, Maintenance Worker, continue work to serve the residents by responding to repair orders promptly and efficiently, as well as to work to completely refurbish vacant apartments for preparation for occupancy. In addition to these tasks, the maintenance staff continued to provide complete snow removal on the property, maintaining a safe environment for all.

Executive Assistant, Darlene Kelly, continues to provide excellent services to the residents, being responsible for processing applications, rent re-certification, annual Energy Assistance, Leasing, accounting, and providing administrative services to the Housing Commission and much more. Ms. Kelly assists in the continual smooth operation of the Park Hill community.

The staff of the Housing Authority endeavored to undertake many new projects and initiatives this past year and their efforts have served to enhance the quality of the lives of the residents of Park Hill. The staff of the East Windsor Housing Authority continues to work as a team, to provide a housing resource that the Town of East Windsor can call their own and be extremely proud of.

Karen Boutin
Chairman, East Windsor Housing Authority Board of Commissioners
Jennifer DiMauro
Executive Director East Windsor Housing Authority

TOWN CLERK

The Office of the Town Clerk is responsible for administering the Connecticut General Statutes in the areas of records management, vital statistics, land records, maps, elections, fish & game licenses/permits, dog licenses, liquor permits, veterans discharges and notary certificates. In addition, our daily duties include maintaining the Town Clerk's web page, the town website calendar, and list of town ordinances. We also post the minutes and agendas for the Boards and Commissions on the town website. For FY 2011 I applied for a grant from the State of Connecticut for historical preservation of records. We were awarded $3,000. We used this money to microfilm the town meeting books covering the years 1768-1942, 1978-2007, the Births, Marriages & Deaths from 2006 through 2009 and to have the selectmen minutes from 1963 through 1995 recreated onto archival paper then microfilmed and put into minute books.

For FY 2012 I applied for, and was awarded, a grant in the amount of $3,500 from the State of Connecticut for historical preservation of records. This grant money is being used to purchase a SAFCO hanging map cabinet. This cabinet will match two map cabinets currently in the vault. It will hold mylar maps that are currently being stored in drawers and in hanging files enclosed in plastic sleeves. These maps are presently very difficult to remove from the plastic sleeves and drawers. Moving the maps to this new cabinet will make it easier for researchers and staff to retrieve them.

I would like to thank my two dedicated & qualified Assistant Town Clerks/Assistant Registrar of Vital Statistics, Mary Higgins and Lynn K. Lemieux for all their hard work.

Respectfully submitted
Joanne M. Slater, CCTC
Town Clerk

TOWN CLERKS OFFICE	2010-2011	2009-2010
Land Records Recorded	3342	3104
Transfers & Sales Ratio Certificates Processed	238	318
Maps filed and recorded	39	53
Military Discharges filed and Recorded	28	31
Liquor Permits Filed	21	28
Sporting Licenses Sold	475	581
Dog Licenses Sold	1196	1310
Notary Certificates Recorded	26	17
Trade Names Filed	79	56
REVENUE	**2010-2011**	**2009-2010**
Town Clerks Account	$75,757	$76,549
Town Conveyance Tax	$85, 970	$106,999
Conveyance Tax Collected by Town Clerk for State	$204, 079	$232,022
Local Historic Preservation Fees	$1,844	$2,035
Historic Preservation Fees Collected by Town Clerk for State	$3,688	$4,070
Local Farmland Preservation Fees	$1,844	$2,035
Farmland Preservation Collected by Town Clerk for State	$66,384	$73,260
LOCIP	$5,532	$6,105
TOTAL REVENUE - TOWN	**$170,947**	**$193,723**
TOTAL REVENUE - STATE	**$274,151**	**$309,352**
VITAL STATISTICS		
Births	120	120
Marriages	89	89
Deaths	69	69
Burial Permits	96	96

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF WAREHOUSE POINT

The year 2011 marks the 200th anniversary of the Library Association of Warehouse Point and last year proved to be another challenging one in the Library's long history. Because of budget restraints the Library was unable to fill the position of Youth Services Librarian upon the retirement of Charlotte Ford. In spite of the economic challenges the Library has faced over the past three years it strives to meet the cultural, informational, educational and leisure reading needs of the residents of East Windsor. To meet these goals, the library maintains a collection that has grown to over 40,000 items. These include books, magazines, large print books, books on compact disc, DVD's, musical compact discs, CD-ROMs and access to electronic databases. Wi-fi service is also available. The library also provides access to books that can be downloaded to your computer, e-reader, i-Pod or MP3 player free of charge through its web site. The library also has 2 e-readers that can be borrowed for three weeks.

This year was one of the busiest in the library's long history. There were 38,000 visits to the library both in person and through the library's web site. Library customers borrowed over 55,000 items last year.

The Library's Youth Services Department continues to offer a variety of programs for pre-school and school-aged children including story times and craft programs, as well as a special visit from Santa Claus, and other programs by story tellers and performers. Monthly family movies are now shown in the library's Community Room.

The library also sponsored a variety of adult programs. Among those programs was a monthly book and movie discussion series during which participants read a novel and compared it to its movie adaptation. The library has held book discussion series funded through the help of the Connecticut Humanities Council for 20 years. Discussions are held the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00. The library also presents various craft programs as well as book signings and talks by local authors. The library shows monthly films for adults in the Community Room.

Delivery and pick up service of library books, magazines and audio-visual material is available. Any resident who, because of health or physical problems, cannot get to the library just has to call the library to make arrangements.

Town residents once again responded very generously to the Library's annual fund drive, donating over $9,800. These funds were especially needed to purchase items for the library's collection and more than tripled the amount of money the Library was able to budget for its collections.

The Library has a dedicated Friends of the Library group that assists the library in meeting the needs of library users. The proceeds from The Friends' on-going book sale in the library are used to support the growth of the library's audiobook collection as well as purchase family passes to area museums for the Library to circulate. These passes offer free or reduced family admission rates. Museum passes available are: The Connecticut State Parks Pass, The Connecticut Trolley Museum, The Lutz Children's Museum, Mystic Aquarium, The New England Air Museum, The Old State House in Hartford, The Science Center of Connecticut, The Springfield Library and Museums, The Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts, the Roger Williams Zoo in Providence, Rhode Island, The Wadsworth Atheneum, and the New Britain Museum of American Art.

An annual donation from the East Windsor Lions Club the Library helps the library maintain its Large Print Book collection, an area of the collection that continues to grow in use each year.

The Library is open Monday and Tuesday, 10:00-8:00; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10:00-5:00; and Saturday, 10:00-3:00. The Library is closed Saturday during July and August. The Library's collection and databases can be accessed from home or work through its website: www.warehousepoint.lib.ct.us . To contact the Library call 6235482, or visit us at our website.

Vincent J. Bologna, **Director**

EAST WINDSOR AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Most people do not really think about an ambulance or the level of service it provides until after they have had to use one. And unless you had a less than good experience, you will probably not think of it again until you need it again. How a service is perceived and their value is often judged by a single experience.

The East Windsor Ambulance Association's mission goes well beyond you, a family member, a friend, colleague, or acquaintance having a positive experience. People's lives depend on how we function and our effectiveness can and will be judged by this often single patient contact.

Frequently, I am asked how our organization functions, how we receive our funding, and how we compare to other services. It is very important to me that our community realizes the value of our system and sees the dedication and professionalism that our Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians exhibit each and every day.

The East Windsor Ambulance is a non-profit (501) c3 non stock corporation similar to the library association, scout hall, the fire departments, sports entities, Lions, and the Rotary Club. But, our purpose is to provide emergency medical care and medical education to the community.

Most, if not all, Connecticut ambulance providers all send bills for their service. Ambulance rates are regulated by the Connecticut Department of Public Health and a universal ambulance rate has become commonplace. However, while the CT DPH sets the overall rates we can charge, many other factors impact what we receive. Medicare, Medicaid, and insurance companies dictate how much a provider is paid. It is a complicated system, but a bill can be reduced by over 50 or 75%. Insurance company payments are dictated by specific medical plans with deductibles and copays.

This regulated system is our primary source of funding. The bills are sent to Medicare, Medicaid, private insurers, auto, and workman's compensation carriers. But ultimately these bills are the responsibility of the patients.

We make every attempt to provide 2 Paramedic ambulance units 24 hours per day. Our 3 rd crew week day time staffing has effectively been eliminated and some weekend shifts are now being left unfilled.

Many communities still rely on volunteer organizations to provide their emergency medical needs. In East Windsor we do not. Other towns rely on commercial for profit ambulance services for their paramedic services as well. In East Windsor, all of our staff are paid personnel but receive no benefits and are paid a very low rate of pay. Our service employs our own Paramedics thus not relying on the response of other providers. Our service routinely provides mutual aid assistance to other communities and other communities assist us as well. Revenues received from mutual aid patients help us to maintain more than 1 ambulance on duty.

Community support for the East Windsor Ambulance Association, Inc. is unwavering. I receive frequent cards and letters acknowledging the great work of our staff. Our "We Love East Windsor Ambulance" sign campaign showed that the community is behind us and we appreciate it.

The East Windsor Ambulance Association, Inc, our leadership, and our staff will continue to serve this community as we have since 1978. Please call my office at 860-654-0515 or email me at chiefclvnch@ewambulance.org if you have any questions or concerns regarding our service.

Fraternally,

Thomas J Clynch III Emergency Medical Services Chief

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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ENROLLMENT		
	2010	2011
Broad Brook School, PreK-4	597	549
EW Middle School, 5-8	402	394
EW High School, 9-12	376	382
	1375	1325

PERSONNEL

During the 2010 - 2011 school year, a total of 231 persons were employed by the Board of Education either full or part time. Included in this number were 115 certified personnel and 8 administrators. Also employed were 95 non-certified personnel (tutors, nurses, secretaries, custodians and paraprofessionals). An additional 13 employees worked in the school cafeterias. Cafeteria employees were paid from funds generated by the lunch program, which continues to be self-supporting.

FINANCES

The Board of Education budget for the fiscal 2010-2011 school year was $18,828,205. This was an increase of $369,180 or 2.0%. The Board concluded the year with a balanced budget.

TECHNOLOGY

Schools are more dependent on technology to enhance education. To meet federal and state guidelines and provide our students the necessary skills to become 21st century learners, we increased technology services through the following accomplishments:

- Installed Smartboards and projectors throughout the district
- Upgraded and installed new computers in building labs
- Installed two mobile Netbook labs
- Setup two new mobile labs
- Established a multi-media Mac lab at the high school
- Setup Google Docs for Education to all high school students including email accounts to collaborate with teachers more effectively
- Installed GradeQuick for electronic attendance building wide
- Installed new district wide antivirus/antimalware solution to increase network and computer security
- Provided technical support for network services and computer repair and upgrades to East Windsor Treasurers office and the East Windsor Police Department
- Designed and implemented a wireless network in all three schools for staff and student use

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

East Windsor High School
New floor tile room C-1 - Repair front overhang - Repave sidewalk south side of building
Civil Rights Review Issues
Redesign nurse's office to be ADA compliance - Modify sinks in B-5, B-7, D-1, D-3, D-5 and Family and Consumer Science room
Replace fume hood with ADA compliant unit - Pave access to ball fields and dugouts to be in compliance with ADA
East Windsor Middle School
New window blinds A-Wing - New burner # 1 boiler - 2- new circulator pumps - Cover serving line tray with stainless steel -
Added mulch to playground - Replaced concrete sidewalks at entrances of the building
Replaced front entrances doors - Repaved the parking lots
Broad Brook Elementary School
New door and screen door kitchen - Cover serving line tray with stainless steel
Replaced carpet in the hallway of the Modular classrooms - Repair to oil fill box
Added mulch to playground Fabricated and installed new fascia panels - Painted outside of Modular buildings
District
Purchase of Special Education Van

SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Broad Brook School

The Broad Brook School extended its ability to provide reading intervention to students through the implementation of a before and after school tutoring program and adding a reading teacher position to provide Tier 3 intervention during the school day.

The Broad Brook School improved the access to technology through the addition of two mobile netbook carts and an iPod touch cart. These tools enable teachers to integrate technology into their instruction and implement 21 st century learning standards.

The Broad Brook School implemented the workshop model in reading and writing. Implementation of this model will enable teachers to provide differentiated instruction and closely monitor the student's academic progress.

The Broad Brook School implemented a data review process to enable teachers to review student data and determine next steps for planning and instruction. This also enables teachers to closely monitor student progress.

The Broad Brook School began implementation of the Positive Behavior Support (PBIS) model to further improve the school climate and student behavior. A team of teachers was trained and plans for full implementation in 2011-2012 were initiated.

East Windsor Middle School

The new administrative team at the East Windsor Middle School collaborated with staff, students, and parents to establish 3 sets of beliefs, framed around Anatole Frances's quote: "To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream: not only plan, but also believe."

Approximately 280 East Windsor Middle School students participated in our intramurals program, which offered approximately 20 different opportunities for after-school involvement.

At the Musical carousel competition at Six Flags, members of the East Windsor Middle School chorus and band achieved the highest possible ratings. The grade 5 and 6 chorus, as well as the wind ensemble, both earned ratings of "Superior."

The Literacy committee, a building-based volunteer group of teachers across content areas, sponsored an extremely successful Literacy Night. Approximately 200 parents and students attended, along with 80% of the EWMS staff. Additionally, a grade 5 and 6 "Battle of the Books" competition was originated through the Literacy Committee, as well as an end-of-the-year reading celebration.

A CMT Incentive program was established to encourage students to do their best when taking the CMTs. Students were expected to demonstrate behaviors that reflect the school wide focus of "The Way to 'Be'." When students were responsible and productive, they earned a raffle ticket; there were many available prizes, including items donated from local businesses and options that were collaboratively generated by staff members.

East Windsor High School

The high school graduation was moved to La Renaissance. $58,000 in scholarship monies was given to the graduating Class of 2011.

William Kehoe was named a Governor's Scholar. Nick Parker received an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Luis Gomba was the local winner of the state's "Poetry Out Loud" program. The high school musical "Annie Get Your Gun" received rave reviews.

Over 2,310 hours of community service was completed by the graduating seniors to meet the service learning graduation requirement.

The high school's daily schedule was changed from the traditional 7 period day to an A/B alternate day schedule that consists of four class periods per day.

The high school received a 21 st Century Learning Environment grant that was used to create a new computer lab with Macintosh computers that will not only be utilized as a multimedia lab for all classes but will provide a piano lab and language lab.

CURRICULUM

Curriculum Changes for 2010 - 2011 - All Board Approved Computer Technology to Digital Literacy Transitional Math to Pre Algebra (grades 7-8) Integrated science to Environmental Physics and Chemistry (grade 9) Half credit electives added to increase elective courses

New Courses for 2010 - 2011 - All Board Approved Home Maintenance (grades 9-12) World Language and Culture: Spanish (grades 9-12) Fundamentals of Music UCONN ECE Piano Lab 1 & 2

New Textbooks - All Board Approved EnVision Math (grades K-6) Connected Math (grades 7-8)

New programs for Tiered instruction:

- Accelerated Reader and Math for independent reading and differentiation of learning.
- Developing Tomorrow's Professionals: partnership with State Department of Education - leadership program for sophomore and junior males.

We added Career Cruising for students in grades 8-12 to support college and career planning.

We renewed English as a Second Language Program

We acquired and maintain numerous grants - Title 1, 11, 111, Sheff Open Choice, Perkins Grant; and added five new grants - Lowes Beautification, Let's Move Salad Bars to schools with Mrs. Obama, Netop - to help fund the TV studio in the High School, 21st Century Grant to buy technology for all schools - iPod carts, mobile labs, piano lab, Mac lab at High School.

We have mapped over 160 courses in Curricuplan - web based mapper.

We provided over 65 additional hours of professional development in 2010 - 2011.

We are increasing parent communication with parent workshops, and we added Google Docs and email for grades 912.

We added Nook ereaders to the High School library and elementary classrooms.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

The East Windsor Building Committee regularly meets on the second Monday of every month at the Board of Education offices. The Committee, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, is responsible for all town owned buildings and real estate in the Town of East Windsor and oversees all new building construction, repairs and renovations. The Building Committee consists of nine members. This past year Cliff Nelson served as Chairman of the committee and Elzear Rodrigue served as Vice-Chairman. The remaining members are Stanley Kement, Jr., William Grace, Joseph Pellegrini, Jim Thurz, Joseph Sauerhoefer and James Borrup. Richard Pippin served as liaison to the Board of Selectman. Laurie Slate is the commission's recording secretary for its meetings.

This year the Building Committee reviewed specifications for the boiler replacement at the Broad Brook Fire Department. The Building Committee also advised the Board of Selectmen on the replacement of the boiler at the Town Hall and Task Labor Bids for the Town of East Windsor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cliff Nelson, Chairman

EAST WINDSOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Members of our Community:

As we all experience tough economic times and face reductions in revenue and difficult financial decisions today and in future years, the East Windsor Police Department staff are doing their part to reduce costs. Now more than ever it is important for Town government to become increasingly proficient in every aspect of our work to include providing safety services as efficiently, transparently, and effectively as possible. The East Windsor Police Department recognizes its mission to serve in a compassionate, courteous, and professional manner, to promote freedom and peace of mind, pride in our neighborhoods, to work collectively with residents and business owners, and to provide safety for all citizens and visitors of our community. In the past year Police Department staff members have sought out numerous grant opportunities to save local tax dollars; have maintained active membership in cost-effective regionalized law enforcement efforts; and have carefully considered every purchase verifying it to be a need-to-have versus a nice-to-have piece of equipment or service to our community. Our Annual Report this year is an effort to further provide you, the community we serve, with confirmation that we are dedicated, professional, and committed to meeting our mission. This is merely a beginning as we all face continuing critical budgetary decisions and an ever changing society in the years to come.

Twenty-four hours a day-seven days a week our Patrol Division, the backbone of any great law enforcement agency, provided consistent high quality services and they have risen to the occasion and worked very effectively and efficiently. Specifically, responding to all citizen calls for service in a timely and professional manner, while maintaining our self-generated activities through a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) to keep the public safe as they travel on our streets and roads. Investigators in our Detective Division continue to diligently pursue criminal investigations and have maintained exemplary clearance rates to include the notable arrest of a suspect for a double homicide and arson, as well as, other serious crimes that have occurred. The Detective Division vigorously investigates all crimes with suitable leads be they misdemeanors or felonies. The Department continued to provide specialized and highly proficient services in Accident Reconstruction and the Police Canine program. The East Windsor Police Department is fully supported by dedicated civilian support staff to include Emergency Telecommunicators in our 24/7 Dispatch Center.

The Town of East Windsor remains a vibrant safe town and it has been a pleasure interacting with everyone this year working toward maintaining a professional Department of Police Services. We continue to need and seek the support of our community to further reduce crime rates in our Town. As always, we understand it is only with the cooperation, involvement, and in partnership with the citizens of East Windsor, that a Police Department can make the Town a better and safer place to live, work, raise a family, and grow.

We look forward to the challenge of maintaining a quality of life all citizens of the Town of East Windsor can enjoy. I encourage anyone with a problem, concern, or who is in need of assistance to contact us at the East Windsor Police Department (860.292.8240). We will work hard to address and correct the concerns and issues that you face. We look forward to serving you during the upcoming year.

Proud to serve,

Edward J. DeMarco, Jr., **Chief of Police**

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The mission of the EWHPC as established by Town Ordinance is:

I . to work to preserve historic, cultural and architectural heritage, including cooperating with private property owners in their efforts,

2. to work to preserve historic municipally owned property in cooperation with town government, and

3. to educate the public about the town's heritage and the need for its preservation.

The Commission over the last year 2010-2011 has focused on two major goals:

The first is the establishment of an historic district for the town of East Windsor based on citizen grass root support. The first National Historic District for the town was approved by the State Board of Historic Preservation in June 2010 and forwarded to the Department of Interior in Washington, D.C. Originally 5 such districts were identified for the town, I for each of its villages: Broad Brook, Warehouse Point, Scantic, Windsorville, and Melrose. Melrose has become the first of the five to go through the process successfully. The State Board of Historic Preservation praised the strong citizen and organization support via testimony at its June 20 10 hearing. The Melrose National Historic District received Department of Interior approval for listing on the National Register later in 2010.

A National Historic District identifies a cluster of historic properties and places them on the National Register recorded with the Department of Interior in Washington D.C., as well as on the state historic register.Such a listing identifies the properties as having historic heritage and architectural significance worthy of preservation for future generations by protecting these properties from demolition and identifying them for all citizens as being of historic importance to the town as a microcosm of the nation's historic register.

The Commission would like to express its gratitude to the citizens who worked so hard through their support, cooperation, commitment and dedication to the process of establishing our first National Historic District. Their efforts have made it possible for East Windsor to preserve a piece of the town's history for future generations locally and nationally.

The second goal of the commission focused on the preservation of the District 12 Schoolhouse in Windsorville. Each of the 5 villages will now with the acquisition of the District 12 School and its eventual restoration have a preserved historic schoolhouse. Progress on this goal remains slow. The commission still seeks volunteers, especially in the areas of architecture, construction and landscaping.

It is hoped that this Schoolhouse once renovated can be used as a neighborhood and community meeting place while preserving a piece of the town's history.

This year the Commission was able to renew its membership with the Sate and National Preservation Organizations which offer much education and assistance without charge. The Connecticut Preservation Trust continues to provide grant money to private barn owners.

In regards to educating citizens the EWHPC continues to be present at Community Day and continues to address questions and concerns of private citizens regarding preservation.

All of its citizens and members of the Town Government need to work together to preserve East Windsor's historic, cultural, and architectural heritage. the East Windsor Historic Preservation Commission welcomes your input and support. Please remember that as Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, who established the National Preservation Trust in the 1960's, expressed "A place with no past has no future."Barbara Smigiel, Chair; Paul Scannel, Marilyn Buttenkoff, Irene Clifton, Robert Duzak (alternate) and Scott Morgan (alternate) work with you to preserve East Windsor's historic, cultural and architectural heritage.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Smigiel, **Chair**

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MISSION STATEMENT:The East Windsor Public Schools provide a climate that inspires the school community to achieve their full potential through continuous improvement, mutual trust, and respect. A rigorous curriculum, taught by outstanding educators, motivates students to acquire fundamental, critical thinking, and problem solving skills necessary to become life-long learners and productive members of a global and diverse society.

During the year, a number of accomplishments were achieved by the Board of Education.

- Engaged the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education (CABE) to conduct a thorough policy review and update;
- Conducted workshops for the 2011 - 2012 budget;
- Continued to implement NEASC recommendations at the High School;
- Formed a Board of Education Marketing Committee to focus on how best to serve the community's needs in -an effort to improve student retention;
- Hired a new Superintendent of 'Schools;
- Purchased a school messenger system to improve communications and assist parents.

The Board of Education worked hard -to keep lines of communication open with the Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen We appreciated all their help and assistance during the budget process and throughout the year. A particular thank you for their collaborative efforts to reopen school buildings when challenged by difficult issues connected with snow and snow removal.

Respectfully submitted,
John V. Pica-Sneeden, **Chairman**

SCHOOL NURSES

Daily Visits: First Aid, illness, medications and health counseling 24,890
Students given vision screenings: 853
Students given hearing screenings: 820
Students given scoliosis screenings: 398
Physical Examinations: - Athletic and Grade 6 & 10 Health Assessments: 1

East Windsor Public Schools celebrated the retirement of Ms. Mildred Hildebrand, R.N. as of July 1, 2010, the promotion of Ms. Nancy Miller, R.N., B.S.N, N.C.S.N to District Nursing Supervisor, and several new nurses were welcomed to our schools. Ms. Nora VanHouton, R.N. assumed the position of Middle School nurse but resigned for personal reasons in December. In January, Ms. Marianne Pender, R.N. was hired as the Middle School full-time nurse. The Middle School part-time nurse position became open in February 2011 and Ms. Jody Denno, R.N. accepted that position in April. We are very grateful for the support of our substitute nurses who filled in while we were experiencing staffing changes.

The school nurses provided tube feedings, personal care, breathing treatments and monitored students with food allergies throughout the year. They continued to provide supportive care to students with diabetes who required glucose testing as well as insulin management. Children, as well as staff members who were sick or injured, were assessed, received professional nursing care and referrals to outside community agencies/providers when needed. The Emergency Medical Service (EMS) was called to our schools for emergencies requiring additional care on 12 occasions. There were 78 Accident Reports filed. Other daily duties of the nurses included administering daily and as needed medications, co-ordination with families and physicians to develop plans of care for students with chronic medical issues, education regarding health care issues to students, families and staff, providing emotional support to student and staff, as well as serving on committees and teams in the schools. Nurses provided care during several field trips Two medically fragile students received 1:1 nursing care.

During 2010 - 2011, the nurses provided an annual update for all staff members on the precautions they must take if they are exposed to blood and/or body fluids. Hepatitis B vaccine was offered to at risk staff.

Informational surveys for the State of Connecticut were completed regarding Asthma, Immunizations and School Health Services.

There were 40 students who received dental care through the Mobile Dental Clinic. The services included dental checkups, sealants and fillings if needed.

There were 214 referrals made for vision, hearing, and postural screenings.

The nurses attended several educational workshops on topics such as Training the Trainer -Medication Administration in Child Care, nursing supervision, suicide risk assessment, and the role of the school nurse and board of education school programs.

We are grateful for the VNA volunteers who assisted with vision, hearing and postural screening of our elementary and middle school students.

We would like to thank the East Windsor Lion's Club for providing vision and hearing exams and treatment for students in need.

We would also like to thank the school administrative assistants and clerical staff for all their assistance during the school year.

This has been a very busy and educational first year for me as the District Nursing Supervisor and I truly appreciate the guidance of the Central Office staff, the Principals, as well as the support of the nursing staff.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy H. Miller, R.N., B.S.N., N.C.S.N., **District Nursing Supervisor**

ELDERLY COMMISSION

The East Windsor Elderly Commission is comprised of five members who are appointed by the Board of Selectmen and the Municipal Agent as the ex officio member. Current members are Claire Badstubner, Chairman, M. Trevor Bray, Deborah Donovan, Catherine Drouin, and Madeleine Thompson and Elizabeth Burns, Municipal Agent. Meetings are held monthly, with the exception of July, August, November and December on the fourth Monday of the month at the East Windsor Town Hall 11 Rye Street Broad Brook at 5:30 PM.

This fiscal year 2010 - 2011 the Chairman of the Elderly Commission, Claire Badstubner with the assist of Elizabeth Burns, Municipal Agent brought to the attention of the Elderly Commission the CT Triad Program. This program is for Senior Safety which involves the Seniors, the Community and Law Enforcement through sponsoring seminars and workshops that educate

seniors on crime prevention, healthcare fraud, abuse, scams and personal safety. There were two monthly meetings with quest speakers who were involved with Senior Safety. The March meeting had Attorney Mimi Peck Llewellyn, Legal Services Developer, CT Department of Social Services, Aging Services Division who explained how to start the CT Triad in your community.

Then at the May meeting the Commission heard from quest speaker Manchester Police Officer Stacey Forish on the "Are You Okay Program".

This is an automated call system that is set up to call the participant once a day at a designated time. If the telephone is answered, the system recognizes the person as being okay. If the telephone is not answered, 3-5 more attempts are made within a few minutes of each try. At that time, if there is still no answer, an officer is dispatched to the residence to check on the person. The Elderly Commission is considering the viability of these programs for East Windsor Seniors.

Another project that the Elderly Commission continues to supports is ITN/North Central (Independent Transportation Network) which is a non prof it organization that provides transportation services 24 hours a day 7 days a week utilizing private cars for the elderly and visual impaired. This service charges an annual membership fee to its clients and then there is a flat fee and per miles driven fee.

the Commission invites East Windsor residents to attend their meetings which are open to the public. The Commission welcomes new ideas and suggestions for future study.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Burns, **Municipal Agent**

HUMAN SERVICES

The function of the Town of East Windsor's Department of Human Services is to assist residents with social, emotional, and economic needs. Our staff composition is one full-time director, one full-time case worker and one full-time administrative intake assistant. We strive to assist our clients in attaining self-sufficiency; maintaining economic well-being, and re-establishing control in their lives in these hard economic times. We service all areas of the population, which include children, adults, elderly, the disabled, and the economically disadvantaged. This office has assisted residents with issues such as emergency food, clothing, housing, and mental health needs as well as being a vital referral and information source.

Since its inception, this office continues to be the intake site for the energy assistance programs for those who meet income eligibility guidelines. This basic program is the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP), which assists eligible residents with the home heating bills from November to April. Also this year (SAFA) State appropriated Fuel Assistance Program was approved by the Connecticut State Legislature so those individuals who were 200% of the poverty level could obtain assistance with fuel. Due to this fact during this 2010 - 2011 energy season 408 individuals and families were assisted through this program. This program helped the local economy with an additional $333,930.00 in benefits from Federal and State dollars.

The Renter Rebate Program has become an integral part of the Human Services Department. This program provides tax relief for elderly residents age 65 and over and for the totally disabled renters as defined by Social Security Statutes. A claimant must also have received no financial aid or subsidy from federal, state, or municipal funds other than Social Security Income. This year, 175 town residents received the benefits of this State of Connecticut program in the amount of $91,193.80.

Although SAGA (State Assisted General Assistance) determines the eligibility of an applicant from East Windsor, this office continues to provide the ongoing case management and social services for this program and for all other State programs. The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services relies on the towns to provide all the other auxiliary services.

As the economy worsens this office continues to see an increase in the use of our Food Shelf, our Bread Basket program, our Harvest Program, our Back to School Program, and our Holiday Basket and Toy Giving Programs. The list of requests to Human Services is every changing as more of our citizens have economic issues, medical issues, housing issues and employment issues. Because of these every changing needs we are very appreciative of the support from the community through their generous financial donations and gift items.

Also I continue to serve as the Town's ADA Coordinator and Fair Housing Officer along with being Chairman of the East Windsor Juvenile Review Board, Member of the North Central Regional Mental Board Catchment Area Council 17 and serving as a member of the Family Resource Center Board of Directors, and as the Salvation Army Northeast Hartford County Unit Chairman. These programs are all highly effective in our community and provide very worthwhile services.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Burns, **Director of Human Services**

BOARD OF FINANCE

The 2010/2011 Board of Finance consisted of Jack Mannette, Bob Little, Danelle Godeck, Jason Bowsza, Marie DeSousa and Kathy Pippin as full time members and Jamie Daniel and Tom Baker as alternates. Jerilyn Corso joined the board as alternate in June 2011 as a replacement for Tom Baker who resigned.

As a result of the proposed 2010/2011 budget being rejected by voters three (3) times the board was challenged in successfully implementing a budget with a 2% spending cap as imposed by the town charter.

Significant funding for the North Road Sewer line was approved and sent to referendum and approved by the voters. Other important funding for a new Dial-A-Ride vehicle and the East Road Bridge repairs was also approved.

The new Budget Overruns and Added Appropriations General Rules were implemented and CCR LLP was appointed as the new Town Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Mannette, **BOF Chairman**

EAST WINDSOR AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION

The Commission meets on the 3d Thursday of each month at the Warehouse Point Library, at 7 P.M. Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.
The American Heritage River Commission has a full membership of 11 with 4 alternates and has a list of over 50 volunteers willing to do projects within the commission. Anyone else wishing to come along on a project is welcome. The number of volunteer hours worked along the trails and river exceed 667 hours.
The AHRC participates in community activities such as the Rubber Duck Race to benefit the Skate Park; Community Day Parade, winning 1st place for best float; and Taste of East Windsor. It also cooperates with other communities and organizations such as helping South Windsor to start a river group and gain Greenway status for its portion of the Scantic River and participating in some of the Scantic River Watershed Association's activities.
During fiscal year 2010-2011, the Commission completed its goal of making the Scantic River passable for canoeing and kayaking from Rte. 140 downstream through the filter beds to Omelia Road. A river activities parking lot was opened and maintained at the intersection of Cemetery and Omelia Roads. To earn an Eagle badge, a boy scout started a project to build a bridge over a stream on the north end of the trail under guidance of AHRC.
A clean up of the banks of the Connecticut and Scantic Rivers yielded over 2 tons of trash and garbage and that clean up is ongoing. Water quality testing is being done every month to ensure the safety of the participants of river activities. The responsibilities of the River Commission include promoting awareness and appreciation of the Connecticut River and its tributaries, both a historical and recreational resource for the residents of the Town of East Windsor. It has been a good year with more and more people using the river and trails, which has been the ultimate goal.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard U. Sherman, **Chairman September, 2011**

INLAND WETLAND WATERCOURSE AGENCY

The Inland Wetland and Watercourses Agency's mission is to protect the inland wetland and watercourse resources of the Town of East Windsor by effectively implementing and enforcing the Inland Wetlands and Watercourse Regulations. The Agency reviews all developmental activities proposed within and adjacent to inland wetland and watercourse areas at regular monthly meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month. We urge the public to attend these meetings and to call the office for any information concerning inland wetlands and watercourses.
The Agency is a regulatory body authorized and required by Connecticut State Statute. The Agency is assisted by an Inland Wetland Agent, as well as Planning & Development Department staff. The Commission was comprised of seven regular members and three alternates appointed by the Board of Selectmen to serve staggered four-year terms. Michael Ceppetelli served as the Chairman, Richard Osborn as Vice Chairman, and John Malin as Secretary.
The other members included: Michael Sawka, Robert Slate, Ronald Savaria, Michael Koczera, Kathryn Roloff, Alan Baker and Ronald Hocutt.
During the fiscal year 2010-2011, the Inland Wetland Watercourses Agency (IWWA) received a total of 13 applications. The IWWA collected $ 29,310.00 in town fees during the fiscal year. The Inland Wetlands Regulations and application forms can be found on the Town's website: http://www.eastwindsorct.com.
The Commission and its staff worked on a draft wetland ordinance during the year to help in the protection of wetlands and watercourses; the ordinance was not passed at Town Meeting.
The IWWA is constantly seeking out continuing education for its members and staff. This year that included the Annual CACIWC Conference to be kept up to date on environmental and legal issues, the DEP Municipal Inland/Wetland Commissioner's Training Program to refine specific skills and learn action responses to common wetland concerns, and a DEP training video to review the roles, responsibilities and legal definitions for IWWA members.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald Savaria, **Chairman**

BROAD BROOK FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Broad Brook Fire Department established in 1896 is now 115 years old. Originally the department was a paid department created by the Broad Brook Company, once located in the woolen mill in the center of town.
Responding to over 500 calls a year now the department relies on an all volunteer force to serve the public. In this day and age it's hard to attract and retain the young volunteers we need. Some years ago the town of East Windsor created an incentive and pension plan to help retain members .These two plans are crucial to the survival of the volunteer fire department.
The Department also has multiple members serving in the military (marines, air force, National Guard) some of which are deploying overseas for extended periods of time. We hope to retain these men as firefighters when they complete their service to our nation's defense.
The Department continues to update our equipment such as self contained breathing apparatus. Thru the capital improvement plan with the town as well as the cip program we have applied for a grant from united parcel service for an all terrain vehicle .This vehicle will allow us easier access to off road incidents.
We continue to work close with the Warehouse Point fire Department. In addition, we also have a small group of fire fighters working with the Enfield fire department learning advanced rescue techniques with their rescue team.
The past year has been filled with many challenges. We continue to support our neighboring departments through mutual aid. Examples in the past year include the fire in Ellington at the Clouter Farms, and Monson Massachusetts for search and rescue following a devastating tornado.
The men and woman of the department continue to advance in their training in such areas as FEMA mandated NIMS (national incident management system)Hazmat technician , Instructors, Propane gas emergency's, emergency operations involving electric vehicles, boating operations, and ice rescue to name a few.
Our association had a successful season of fund raising with both the carnival and the four town fair.
Without the support of local businesses such as Big y foods and Walmart, as well as Taylor energy, we could not operate our fund raisers.
I would like to thank the entire community for supporting us throughout the year,
We are always seeking new members. If interested please call 860-623-5940 or go to bbfd.org for an on-line application.
Remember to check the batteries in all detectors and never hesitate to call 911 when in need of help!

Chief David A Lockwood
Broad Brook Volunteer Fire Department

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

During every fiscal year the Department of Planning and Development continues its efforts to provide a greater level of service to the community. Serving towards that goal, the employees of the department are a full-time Director/Town Planner (Laurie P. Whitten, CZEO, AICP); a fulltime Assistant Town Planner/Wetlands & Zoning Enforcement Official (Robin Newton, CZEO) and a full-time Administrative Assistant (Marlene Bauer), and a part time administrative clerk (Margaret (Peg) Hoffman).

The Department of Planning and Development provides staff assistance to the Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC), Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency (IWWA) , the Conservation Commission (CC) recently separated from the IWWA, and Economic Development Commission (EDC). This includes a full range of administrative, clerical, technical and policy services to the land use boards, while meeting the changing demands of the community.

The department operates under the control of State Legislature, Local Ordinances and Regulations. It is the staff s job to adhere to these legal guidelines and statutes, while facilitating the process for all involved. With this in mind, Staff services also include assistance to the public, our clients. We are there to help with land use questions, and to assist in the application and permitting process. We have an open door policy, and encourage preliminary discussions for any proposal.

In addition to the varied daily tasks, assistance to the public and enforcement issues, during the fiscal year 2010-11, staff worked on the following special projects:

- Utilizing a $20,000 grant awarded to the Town, led by the hired consultant, the PZC conducted public workshops on Incentive Housing Zones (IHZ). Workshops analyzed the feasibility and design issues of Incentive Housing Zones to provide more workforce and mixed use housing in East Windsor.
  The Planning Staff worked collaboratively with the WPCA, EDC, PZC and other Staff, Administrators, Commissioners and Citizens, to successfully acquire the ARRA grant money to install the Route 140 Sewer Extension project. Monies were also re-allocated from the existing budget to hire a consultant to assist with rezoning along this corridor.
- The Planning Staff assisted the East Windsor Dog Owners Group (E.W. D.O.G) Park Committee in meeting the requirements of their site plan approval for the opening of the new Dog Bark Park located on Reservoir Road.
- The PZC renewed the temporary sign regulations for another year in an attempt to work with businesses and allow them an option to utilize temporary business signs.
- The PZC continued to hold workshops with local farmers to create Farm Friendly regulations (which culminated in adoption of new regulations in August of 2011).
- The Planning Staff assisted the design and development team of KROS LLC through the land use permitting process resulting in the approval of a 200,000 sq. ft retail center to be developed at 44/54 Prospect Hill Road. This required approvals from IWWC and PZC.
- The Planning Staff facilitated the positioning of STR, a solar power manufacturing company, to take residence in the old "mushroom factory" at 96 Newberry Road.

During the fiscal year 169 zoning permits were issued, compared to 156 for the previous year. The permits were divided into the following categories:

	FY 09-10	FY 10-11
Single-family-homes	19	11
Multi-family units	70	20
Accessory (in-law) apartments	0	0
Additions/Improvements to residential	74	100
New Commercial/Industrial	8	9
Other Commercial/Industrail (Signs/Additions, etc.)	41	33
Other Residential/Institutional	2	7
Active Adult Units	4	7

Zoning Permit/Zoning Compliance fees brought in $9,121 this year compared to $9,079 last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie P. Whitten, CZEO, AICP, **Director/Town Planner**

REPORT OF THE ASSESSOR

Valuation and assessment of real and personal property, including motor vehicles, is the main function of the Assessor's office. Connecticut law requires that all real estate, motor vehicles and certain types of personal property be assessed at 70% of fair market value. The Assessor has the responsibility to discover, list and value all taxable and non-taxable property in order to compile the Grand List by the statutory date of January 31". The primary objective of this assessment department is that each property owner bears the appropriate share of the tax burden.

In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, the real estate Revaluation was completed for the Grand List of October 1, 2007. Motor vehicles and personal property are revalued annually, also as allowed by State Statute.

On the Grand List of October 1, 2010, the Town has approximately 5,372 real estate accounts, 1,192 personal property accounts (including 29 accounts with property tax exemptions for newly acquired manufacturing machinery and equipment) and 12,366 motor vehicle accounts.

State and local exemptions for veterans, blind and disabled individuals are also processed by this Department along with tax relief for the elderly, totally disabled and homeowners. Homeowners apply biennially February 1st to May 15 1h . Income benefit guidelines, set by the State, must be met in order to qualify for benefits. The Town had 158 Elderly and/or Disabled Homeowner applicants and all benefits are reimbursed to the Town by the State.

Taxpayers applying for relief under classifications such as Farm or Forest Land under Public Act 490 must file during September and October.

I am fortunate to have a dedicated and qualified staff including Assistant Assessor Jane Grigsby, Assessor's Clerks Luann MacIntosh and Columbine Martin.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline G. Madore, **Assessor**

As a preparation of the Annual Report began, our goal was to provide maximum information while reducing costs and using technology.

This year, the Annual report provides a link to the Town's wedsite where the Audited Annual Financial Statements will be available.

A review of the Statuary requirements for the Town Report revealed that there no requirements to print the Audited Annual Financial Statements in the Annual Report.

This allows the Town to reduce the costs significantly and start a transition to a "green" approach to citizen communication.

The Annual Report is filed with the Town Clerk; additional copies will be available in that office for those who wish a copy.

Our hope is that we can transition more of the Town communication to the website in the future.

http:/www.eastwindsorct.com/Public_Documents/EWindsorCT_Webdocs/townfininfo

ABOUT EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT

East Windsor was originally settled by farmers in the 17th Century. They were drawn by the even topography and fertile soils of the Connecticut River Valley. Even today, farming makes up a significant part of our economy. In fact, the character of East Windsor is derived from the agricultural land and open space which lends our town its rural charm. We are comprised of five villages, Broad Brook, Melrose, Scantic, Warehouse Point, and Windsorville. While combined for government and education convenience, each village is able to retain its own unique identity.

With a population approaching 10,000, and a land area of 26.3 square miles, East Windsor also offers ample opportunity for business and industry to grow. Situated on the east side of the Connecticut River, our town lies nearly equal distance between Hartford, Connecticut and Springfield, Massachusetts. We are located minutes from Bradley International Airport on Route 5 with fast and easy access to and from I-91. A recently updated plan of development and sewer expansion provides us with both a blueprint for balanced growth and the ability to sustain a favorable tax rate.

East Windsor's strategic location combined with its rural atmosphere make it an ideal place to live, work and play. If you would like to know more about our town, please contact either the First Selectman's office or that of our Town Planner. We welcome your inquiries and stand ready to assist you with your development plans or to answer any questions you may have about our community.

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