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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY JULY 6, 2015
MEETING ROOM B, WILTON TOWN HALL**

PRESENT: **BOARD OF SELECTMEN** – First Selectman William Brennan, Richard Dubow, Michael Kaelin, Deborah McFadden

ABSENT: Second Selectman James Saxe

GUESTS: Ty Tregallas – Turner Construction, Bruce Hampson, Peg Koellmer – Go Green, Robert Nerney, Tom Thurkettle, Rocco Grosso – Fire Department, Sarah Taffel, Sandy Dennies, Jacqueline Rochester

OTHERS: 2 Members of the Press

A. Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Mr. Kaelin, seconded by Ms. McFadden, the consent agenda was approved as follows.

Minutes

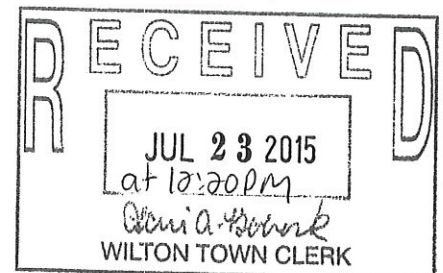
- Board of Selectmen Meeting – June 15, 2015

Tax Refunds

- As Per Tax Collector's Memo Dated – June 24, 2015

Gifts

- Horseshoe Pond
 1. Lucille Ferraro - \$10
 2. Taggart & Inta Adams - \$100
 3. James Burch - \$50
 4. Realty Seven Charitable Fund - \$500
 5. Realty Seven, Inc. - \$250
 6. William & Sharon Gallagher - \$100
 7. Edith Lamb - \$50



Mr. Brennan thanked all for their generous gifts.

BOS Minutes – 07/06/2015

B. Discussion and/or Action

1. Comstock Community Center Renovation – Project Status Report
Judy Zucker and Ty Tregellas (Turner Construction) gave a review of progress to date regarding the Comstock Community Center Renovations (Status Report attached). Mr. Tregellas stated that the renovation is on schedule for Phase I. Transitioning from the old Mechanical Electrical Plumbing systems to the newly installed systems is going well. There will be a 2-3 day period when building will run on generators during the transition.
2. Consideration of Acceptance of \$1000 HFSC – 2015 Stipend to Implement an Educational Fire and Sprinkler Burn Demonstration
Fire Marshall Rocco Grosso briefed the Board of Selectmen on the \$1000 stipend for the Wilton Fire Department to implement an educational fire and sprinkler burn demonstration at an upcoming as-yet to be determined event. The idea is to have demonstration in October during Fire Prevention Week. Ms. McFadden suggested the demonstration be filmed to be used as an educational tool in the future. Mr. Brennan asked that a cost break-down be given to ensure that the \$1000 stipend will cover cost of the demonstration. Motion made by Ms. McFadden to allow First Selectman Brennan to accept the \$1000 HFSC – 2015 Stipend to Implement an Educational Fire and Sprinkler Burn Demonstration. Motion seconded by Mr. Dubow, unanimously carried.
3. Consideration of “No Idling” Resolution for Wilton – Education, Awareness and Implementation Proposal
Peg Koellmer representing Wilton Go Green briefed the Board of Selectmen regarding the “No Idling” Resolution for Wilton. Ms. Koellmer stated that Wilton is taking steps to put a program in place for “No Idling” (No Idling is already a state regulation). She stated that Wilton Go Green will be purchasing signs that will be attached to other signs. Ms. Koellmer indicated that they have cooperation from the YMCA, Wilton Library and school superintendent Kevin Smith. Motion made by Mr. Dubow that the Board of Selectmen of Wilton, County of Fairfield, State of Connecticut supports the adoption of a strong anti-idling policy by government agencies, schools, businesses, and other organizations (resolution attached). Motion seconded by Ms. McFadden, unanimously carried.
4. Fraud Risk Assessment Report – Town Department Responses and Implementation Plans/Discussion
Mr. Brennan and Sandra Dennies reviewed the Fraud Risk Assessment Report with the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Brennan gave background on the Fraud Risk Assessment Report and suggestions made by Blum Shapiro to improve current policies and procedures. Mr. Brennan and Ms. Dennies reviewed the suggestions by Blum Shapiro and discussed how The Town has responded to suggestions and processes that have already been implemented. Mr. Brennan stated that next step is to have a meeting with all

Department heads and discuss the recommendations and suggestions and be back to the Board of Selectmen for review before responding to the Board of Finance.

5. Department of Housing – Main Street Grant – Wilton Center Sidewalk and Improvement – Briefing on Proposed Design Plans, Project Approval Process and Implementation Plans

Mr. Brennan reviewed status to date and background on the Main Street Grant for the Wilton Center Sidewalk Restoration. Mr. Brennan noted that after requests for proposals, the Firm Langan Engineering and Environmental Services out of New Haven was chosen to design the project. Mr. Brennan then reviewed the design plans provided by Langan with the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Brennan stated that the NRV, Planning and Zoning Commission and Village District Committee have been briefed on design plans. Bob Nerney reviewed the design plans and discussed next steps. Design plans have been forwarded to the State for review and approval. Once approved by the State, plans will be made available to view on the Town Website.

6. Miscellaneous Other Business

Non Union Salary Increases for FY16 will be reviewed at the July 20, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting.

There will be a quorum for the August 3, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting (Mr. Dubow and Ms. McFadden will not be present).

The August 17, 2015 Board of Selectmen meeting has been cancelled.

C. Public Comment - None

D. Reports

First Selectman Report

July 4th celebration went off without incident. Steve Pierce and the Parks and Recreation Committee did an excellent job organizing the event. Thanks to all departments for their well coordinated help (CERT, Police and Fire)

Selectmen's Reports

Dick Dubow – None.

Michael Kaelin – Mr. Kaelin acknowledged an article written in the Villager by about Robert Nerney – Director of Planning and Land Use Management and thanked Mr. Nerney for the wonderful job he is doing for the Town. Mr. Kaelin also thanked reporter Tom Evans of the Villager for the well written article.

Deborah McFadden – NRV groundbreaking was well attended and received air time from WSHU radio. Regarding Pedestrian Walkway project, suggested looking into the feasibility of building the bridge under the overpass.

E. Executive Session

Motion made by Mr. Brennan to enter Executive Session to discuss Pending Claim – Discussion of FOIC Docket No. 2014-898 Proposed Settlement Agreement with Firefighters Union Local No. 2233 at 9:18 PM. Motion seconded by Mr. Kaelin, unanimously carried.

Sarah Taffel, Director, Human Resources, Labor Relations & Administrative Services asked to join discussion in Executive Session.

Out of Executive Session at 9:44 PM.

Action Taken: Motion made by First Selectman Brennan to approve FOIC Docket No. 2014-898 Proposed Settlement Agreement with Firefighter Union Local No. 2233. Motion seconded by Ms. McFadden. Vote 3-1-0.

F. Adjournment – Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jacqueline Rochester", followed by a stylized flourish.

Jacqueline Rochester, Recording Secretary

CAPITAL PROJECTS BUILDING COMMITTEE MONTHLY BOARD of SELECTMEN REPORT

PROJECT NAME: **COMSTOCK RENOVATION**

TOTAL BUDGET: \$10,802,000**

ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE: 1/31/16

STATUS REPORT: 7/1/15

1. FINANCIAL SUMMARY a/o 6/26/15

• Hard cost budget	\$ 8,145,303	Encumbered: \$7,535,317	Balance: \$ 609,986
• Soft cost budget	\$ 1,059,817	Encumbered: \$ 657,545	Balance: \$ 402,272
• <u>Contingency budget</u>	<u>\$ 1,596,880</u>	<u>Encumbered: \$ 0</u>	<u>Balance: \$ 1,596,880</u>
• Total	\$10,802,000**	Encumbered: \$8,192,862	Balance: \$2,609,138

**Total budget is a combination of \$902,000 bonding and \$9,900,000 bonding.

2. WORK IN PLACE 3/9/15 – 6/30/15: \$3,397,734. 42% of hard cost budget (\$8,145,303)

3. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Phase 1 - start 3/9/15. Project started as scheduled.

Phase 1- complete 8/28/15.

Phase 2- start 9/7/15.

Phase 2- finish 1/22/16.

4. STATUS / ACTIVITY REPORT

- Trade contractor submittals for materials and equipment confirmation ongoing.
- Boiler room: underground pipe and conduit installed; new switchgear, gas-fired boilers (2), chiller and pumps installed; piping underway.
- East wing: replacement roof-top unit installed and operational; VAV installation, duct sealing and sprinkler piping complete; new lower level toilet room underway.
- Northwest wing: exterior wall frames, glass, and metal panels complete; new toilet rooms rough-in complete.
- Northwest wing: sheetrock 95% installed; taping underway; unit ventilators 50% delivered, balance due early July; sprinkler piping 80% complete in corridor and classrooms.
- Installation of fire protection service underway.
- Front canopy columns and bench poured; steel and deck installed.

5. ISSUES / CONCERNS / REMEDIES

- Maintaining existing mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) systems while installing new systems in parallel.
- Safety of the users/occupants of the building while renovation is underway; signage and barriers in place. No incidents to date.
- Coordinating the installation of new MEP systems in the east wing while maintaining senior center and social service activities.
- The potential for surprises that may arise during Phase 2 demolition.





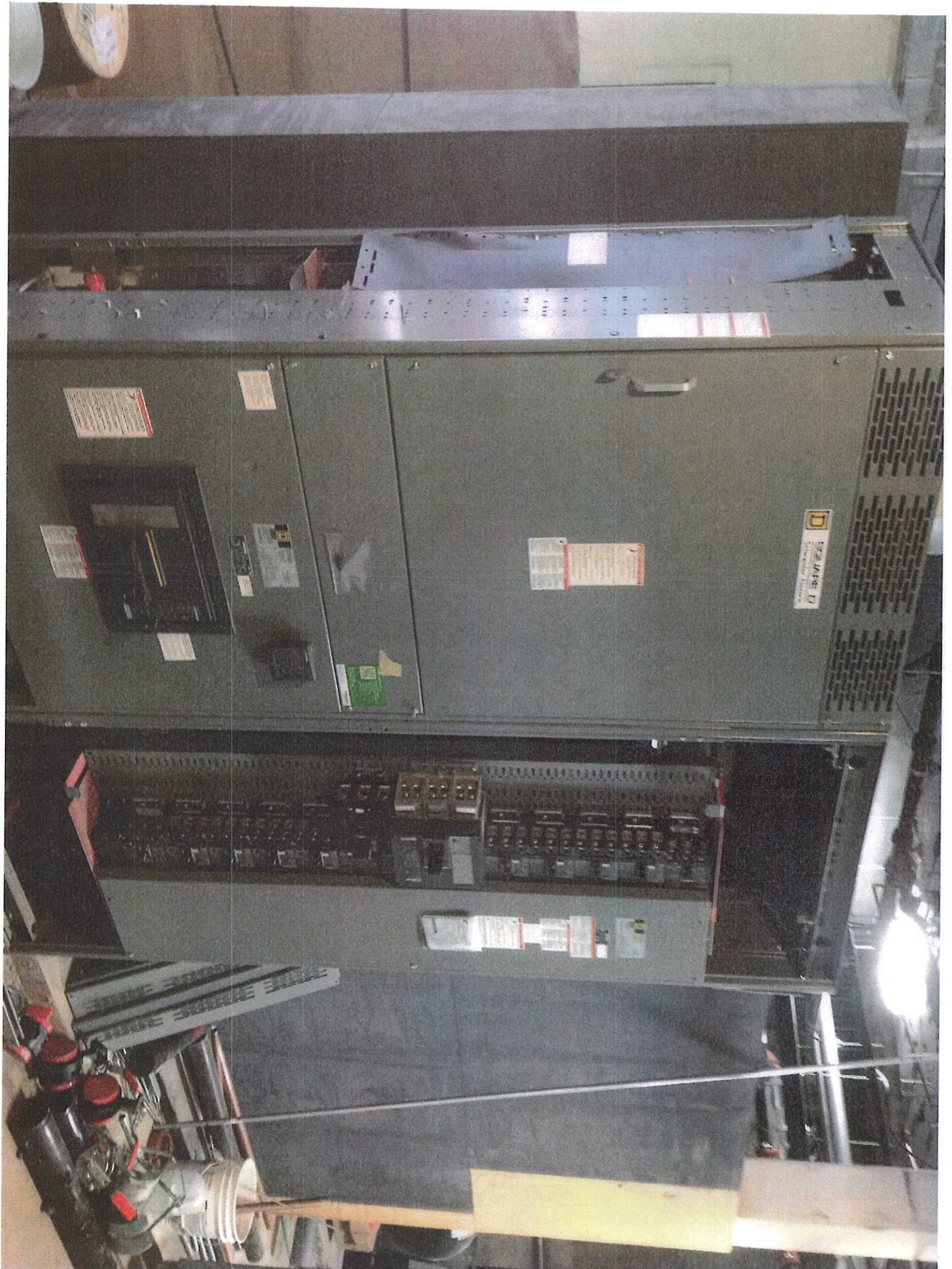


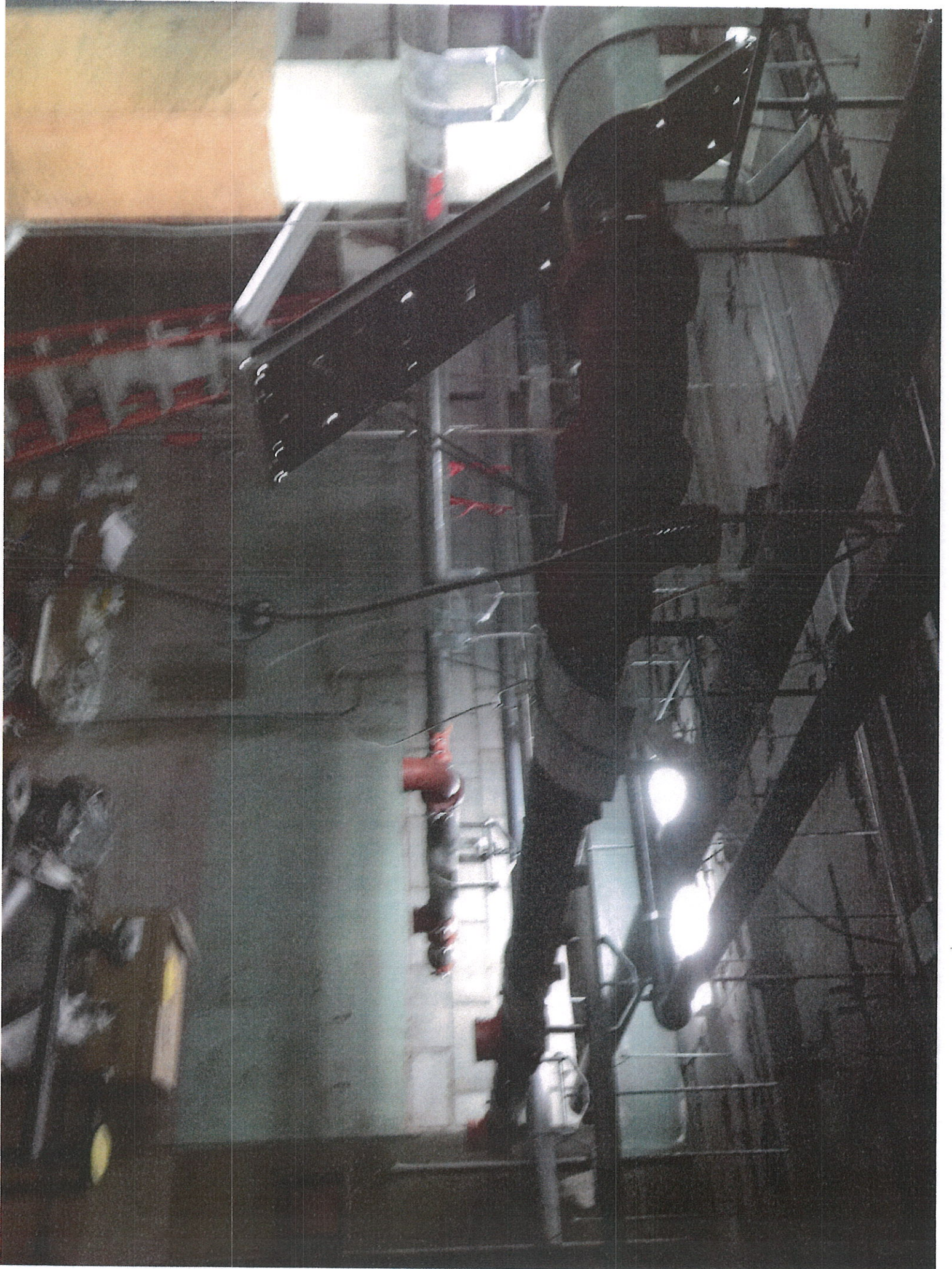


















Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Section 22a-174-18. This regulation applies to ALL vehicles in Connecticut and is enforced by DEEP Field Staff.

Control of particulate matter and visible emissions.

(b) Visible emission standards.

(3) Mobile sources. Except as provided in subsection (j) of this section, no person shall cause or allow: (c) Mobile source to operate for more than (3) consecutive minutes when such mobile source is not in motion, except as follows:

- (i) When a mobile source is forced to remain motionless because of traffic conditions or mechanical difficulties over which the operator has no control,
- (ii) When it is necessary to operate defrosting, heating or cooling equipment to ensure the safety or health of the driver or passengers,
- (iii) When it is necessary to operate auxiliary equipment that is located in or on the mobile source to accomplish the intended use of the mobile source,
- (iv) To bring the mobile source to the manufacturer's recommended operating temperature,
- (v) When the outdoor temperature is below twenty degrees Fahrenheit,
- (vi) When the mobile source is undergoing maintenance that requires such mobile source be operated for more than (3) consecutive minutes, or
- (vii) When a mobile source is in queue to be inspected by U.S. military personnel prior to gaining access to a U.S. military installation.

REASONING

- Idling pollutes the air and harms health. Idling tailpipes emit more than 20 times more pollution than one traveling at 30 miles per hour. Diesel engines emit more than 40 hazardous air pollutants.
- Pollution from idling contributes to global warming.
- Idling wastes fuel and money. Idling in the US accounts for 3.8 million gallons of wasted fuel EVERY DAY.
- Idling is not good for your car. Your car needs only 30 seconds to warm up, even in cold weather.

CT LAW

Law exists in Connecticut that prohibits idling longer than (3) minutes:

- For school buses, enforceable by police,
- For autos, only enforceable by DEP (not enforced)

LOCAL REGULATIONS

Westchester County implemented a county wide law which bans cars, trucks and S.U.V.'s from idling for more than three minutes in temperatures above 32 degrees. It imposes a \$250 fine for violators.

New York City is working on a way to have the parking violations bureau enforce no idling.

Stamford has an ordinance which prohibits idling (just recently updating this from trucks idling over 10 minutes to all motor vehicles idling over three minutes). This is enforceable by their local police department.

Norwalk has a no idling ordinance which prohibits idling by any "idling mobile source" for more than three minutes.

Norwich has a policy that reminds Public Works employees and contractors that engines should only be on when vehicles are moving. Any warm-up idling should follow manufacturer recommendations, which is generally limited to no more than five minutes.

Ridgefield put up signs, the first Selectman signed a no idling pledge, and they implemented an awareness campaign through the town.

Bethlehem put up no idling signs.

PROPOSAL

- Signage would be erected at key locations to remind people to turn off their engines, (where possible, signs would be added to existing posts).
- Pledge signing would take place at various locations, manned and organized by youth based organizations.
- Awareness campaigns will be conducted at schools in cooperation with the "Green Leaf" and "Little People Big Changes" programs. Additionally, a comprehensive marketing campaign will be coordinated by Go Green through local and social media.
- Labor and materials will be provided by Wilton Go Green at **no cost to the town.**

SUMMARY

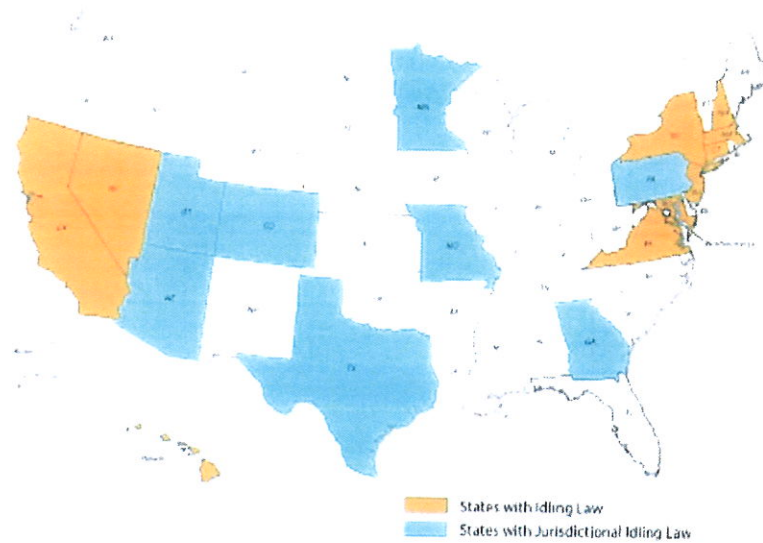
Wilton is, and should continue to be, a leader in the Environmental Conservation Movement. At minimum, Wilton Go Green, with the support of the Wilton Energy Commission, would like to launch an awareness campaign regarding the dangers of idling. **Ideally**, we would like to see Wilton adopt an *ordinance* that would allow police to enforce compliance.

Below is a "working" list of target locations. The Wilton Schools (Kevin Smith), the Wilton Library and The Wilton YMCA have already pledged their support.

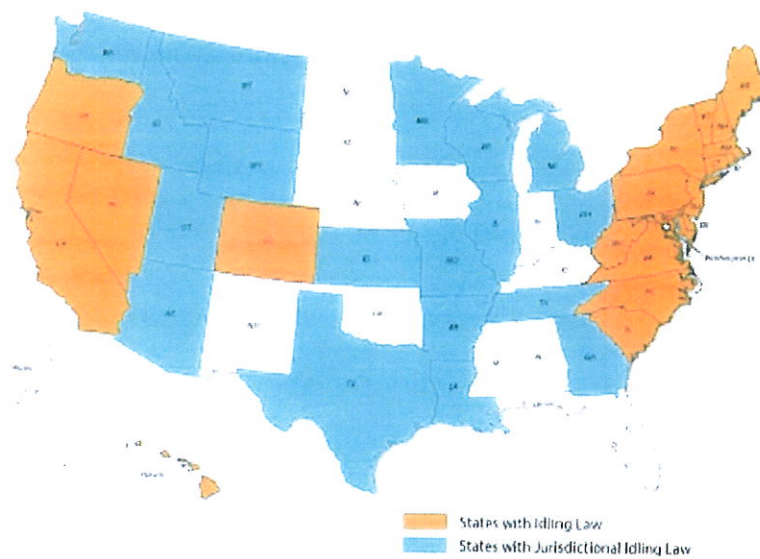
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Village Market
CVS
Stop and Shop
Starbucks
Wilton Cinema
Trackside
Town Hall
Police Department
Merwin Meadows
Comstock
Middlebrook, Miller-Driscoll, Cider Mill and High Schools
Transfer station
Library
Dunkin Donuts
Churches
Allens Meadows
Wilton YMCA
Zions Hill Preschool
Friends School
Montessori School
Our Lady of Fatima

Connecticut was a frontrunner!

States with Idling Regulations 2004



States with Idling Regulations 2014



RESOLUTION

No Idling Resolution for Wilton, Connecticut

WHEREAS, emissions from gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles contribute significantly to air pollution, including greenhouse gases, ozone formation, fine particulates; and

WHEREAS, numerous scientific studies have found links between exposure to fine particles and health effects including premature death, and increased incidents of asthma, allergies, and other breathing disorders; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency has classified diesel exhaust as likely to be carcinogenic to humans; and

WHEREAS, vehicle idling occurs in locations (e.g. school grounds, parking lots, businesses, construction sites, places of worship, etc.) where Wiltonians can be exposed to concentrated sources of air pollutant emissions; and

WHEREAS, asthma is a significant public health concern in, especially among children and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, for every gallon of gasoline used, the average car produces about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide (CO₂), the largest contributor to greenhouse climate change, with one-third of greenhouse gas emissions coming from the transportation sector; and

WHEREAS, petroleum-based gasoline and diesel fuel are nonrenewable fuels and should be used wisely and not wasted; and

WHEREAS, idling is not generally beneficial to a vehicle's engine because it wears engine parts; and

WHEREAS, idling more than 10 seconds uses more fuel and emits more pollutants than turning an engine off and on again; and

WHEREAS, current state law prohibits the idling of vehicles for more than three minutes and studies have shown that an anti-idling policy will save fuel, prolong engine life, and improve air quality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Selectman of Wilton, County of Fairfield, State of Connecticut supports the adoption of a strong anti-idling policy by government agencies, schools, businesses, and other organizations by:

1. Encouraging any gasoline or diesel-powered motor vehicle drivers to turn off their engines immediately, where possible, to minimize exposure to vehicle emissions;
2. Maintaining municipal vehicles to eliminate any visible exhaust and complying with the annual inspection requirement for those vehicles;
3. Supporting the installation of signage and broad education of the public of the health, environmental and economic impacts of idling and ways to reduce idling.

William Brennan, First Selectman

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Dated