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### **Emergency Shelter:**

Mr. Adams stated Deputy Emergency Manager Suzie Rundall is obtaining updated quotes on generators. The Town did not budget for the generator in the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year Budget.

Mr. Parkin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m. Mr. Adams seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Jarno WO-Kearns

Administrative Assistant

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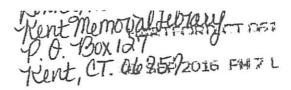
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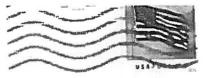
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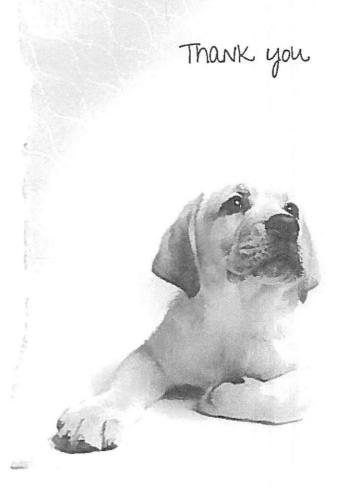


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Au - 00ps! September 1, 2016 Dear Buce, Thank you so much for picking up all the old light tubes at the fibrary yesterday and bringing them to the town recycle center. I had no idea the town would take them until you mentioned it. It saved us the \$600 that Eversource wanted to remove them. We truly appreciate the help. Thank you! Ancerely, Anna



# Kent Park and Recreation

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To: Board of Selectmen From: Lesly Ferris Kushy Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Re: Senior center activities

The following special recreational activities took place at the Kent Senior Center during September 2016:

12: Adult Coloring Program (co-sponsor).

Please note also that Leah Pullaro and I organized the annual planting in the Memory Garden September 16 and the Friday Senior Lunch program resumed Sept. 9.

Thank you.

TO:	Board of Selectmen
FROM:	Leah Pullaro
DATE:	September 9, 2016
RE:	Social Services Report, 4th quarter 2015-2016

1. MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH – In April, attended a Regional Mental Health Board meeting, Operation Fuel Training, and met with the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau to explore collaboration. In May, attended NASW statewide conference, Regional Mental Health Board meeting, Kent Community Fund agency forum, meeting of the Foundation for Community Health, helped organize the Kent Boy Scout Food Drive. In June, attended a Regional Mental Health Board meeting.

2. CLIENTS SERVED – In April, May, and June, I completed 49 prescheduled and walk-in appointments.

### **3. ASSIST PROGRAMS:**

- Assist Fund The assist fund expended \$250 in assistance for rent, utilities, and car related repairs/expenses.
- Kent Community Fund Provided grant assistance to Kent households totaling \$3,445.00. Requests included assistance with rent, utilities, and medical bills.
- Foundation for Community Health Received \$552.92 in medication and prescription insurance premium payment assistance for Kent residents.
- Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation \$2,951.67 in assistance from the Neighbor to Neighbor Fund, Jane Lloyd Fund, and Blue Horizons Health Fund.



# TOWN OF KENT LAND USE OFFICE

# STAFF REPORT

DATE: October 3, 2016

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FROM: Donna Hayes, CZEO

### **Building Department:**

- Permits Issued: 59
- Total Construction value: \$4,505,741
  - o 1 new single family dwelling
  - o 2 major renovations to existing structures (3 Maple Street and 45 Kenico Rd)
  - o Phase II of Kent Affordable Housing

## Planning & Zoning:

- Permits Issued: 15
- Certificates of Compliance Issued: 1
- Applications before the Commission:
  - o Construction of screened deck and patios in Horizonline Conservation District (APPROVED)
  - o Construction of covered deck in Horizonline Conservation District (APPROVED)
  - o General Statutes §8-24, Kenico Road realignment
  - o Modification to permit, MCCA, request to increase to 18 bed facility.

### Inland Wetlands:

- Issued:
  - o Redirection of Kenico Road.
- Pending:
  - o Detached garage
  - o Bridge over Bog Hollow Brook
- Exemptions:
  - o None

### **Zoning Board of Appeals:**

- Pending:
  - o None
- Approved:
  - o None

### Architectural Review Board:

- Pending:
  - Shed at St. Andrew's (to be heard 10/4/16)
  - o Sign in Village Barns (to be heard 10/4/16)
  - o Discussion on Eastern Gateway cleanup (to be heard 10/4/16)
- Approved:

### **UPDATE ON CONTINUING PROJECTS:**

- Rewrite of the Regulations:
  - A special meeting will be scheduled to discuss the missing changes suggested by Attorney Zizka. Map changes and a possible zone change to Maple Street Extension will also be discussed.
- Incentive Housing Zone Subcommittee Study:
  - The final presentation was postponed in order to give Mr. Chalder and Ms. Ayer an opportunity to discuss and possibly include the addendum that was prepared by Mr. Everett. A new meeting date will be scheduled shortly.

### **VIOLATIONS:**

- Legal Issues:
  - Mauri v Town of Kent ZBA Final oral arguments were requested by the judge and were heard on September 30. The judge assured the attorneys that they would receive his decision "shortly". In the meantime, tents are still being put up without permits and events are being held in violation of the Cease and Desist Order.
  - Town of Kent v Burt All of the cars were removed from the property by the afternoon of September 20th. The property owner assured me that he will also be cleaning up the property over the next several weeks.
- Notice of Violations:
  - Signage at Bulls Bridge Country Store: some signs were removed, but more still need to come down. Another letter will be sent.
  - A shed was installed in the Village Center Commercial district without a permit. A notice of violation will be sent.

### **SPECIAL MEETINGS:**

• None

### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

- I will be on vacation beginning October 19<sup>th</sup> and will return to the office on November 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The Land Use Clerk position will be posted this week; I've already received a resume through networking. I am looking for someone to work PT while I am away on vacation.



Joyce Kearns <adminassist@townofkentct.org>

# **Re: Job posting**

1 message

**Donna Hayes** <landuseadmin@townofkentct.org> To: Joyce Kearns <adminassist@townofkentct.org> Mon, Oct 3, 2016 at 11:06 AM

Joyce,

Thanks.

Please accept this as notification of the job vacancy and wanting to post the opening internally, on the Town's website and on Indeed upon BOS approval.

Donna M. Hayes, CZEO Land Use Administrator Town of Kent Land Use Office 41 Kent Green Boulevard P.O. Box 678 Kent, CT 06757 (860) 927-4625

On Mon, Oct 3, 2016 at 10:46 AM, Joyce Kearns <adminassist@townofkentct.org> wrote: Donna -

The P&P manual reads as follows:

#### Vacancies

The Department head shall notify the Board of Selectmen in writing of a job vacancy. The Board of Selectmen shall determine if the Town will fill the vacancy. The Department Head would post a job opening notice internally via e-mail to all department heads and on the Town of Kent website and in such other places as may be deemed appropriate.

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Vendor Name	Vendor Type	<b>Department</b>	Invoice Date	Dept Approval	Invoice Amount
1 Belson Outdoors LLC	Retailer	P/R	08/16/2016	8/31/2016	1,074.07
2 Franks Garage LLC	Service Provider	HWY	8/26/2016	8/31/2016	1,182.50
3 Montage Enterprises, Inc.	Retailer	HWY	9/22/2016	9/23/2016	768.89
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The vendors and invoices listed above have been reviewed and approved by a majority of the Board of Selectmen. Pursuant to said approval they have been added to the existing *Approved Vendor Listing* for FY

Approved at the special Selectmen's meeting held on: see minutes

10/4/2016

1 one 6' plastic picnic Table

- 2 repairs to the '08 Ford F-550
- 3 roller bearings, adj brackets, capscrews

# Actual vs. Budget July 2016 through September 2016

	Jul '16 - Jun 17	Budget	Variance	% of Budget
Total Revenue	7,277,831.33	12,755,658.00	-5,477,826.67	57.06%
Expense				
A · General Government	470,059.22	1,162,852.00	-692,792.78	40.42%
B · Public Safety	19,843.64	188,432.00	-168,588.36	10,53%
C • Public Works	151,256.63	1,540,493.00	-1,389,236.37	9.82%
D - Health and Welfare	36,745.29	108,140.00	-71,394.71	33.98%
E · Recreation	61,016.95	195,510.00	-134,493.05	31.21%
F · Sanitation	21,920.18	115,937.00	-94,016.82	18.91%
G - Board of Education	1,537,838.95	7,162,606.00	-5,624,767.05	21.47%
H · Debt Service	190,462.25	669,988.00	-479,525.75	28.43%
I · Transfer to Capital	732,200.00	732,200.00	0.00	100.0%
J · Transfer to Dog Fund	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00	100.0%
K · Current Year Capital Projects	872,000.00	872,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total Expense	4,100,843.11	12,755,658.00	-8,654,814.89	32.15%
Net Revenue and Expense	3,176,988.22	0.00	3,176,988.22	100.0%

If all months were equal each budget line would	be at 25%
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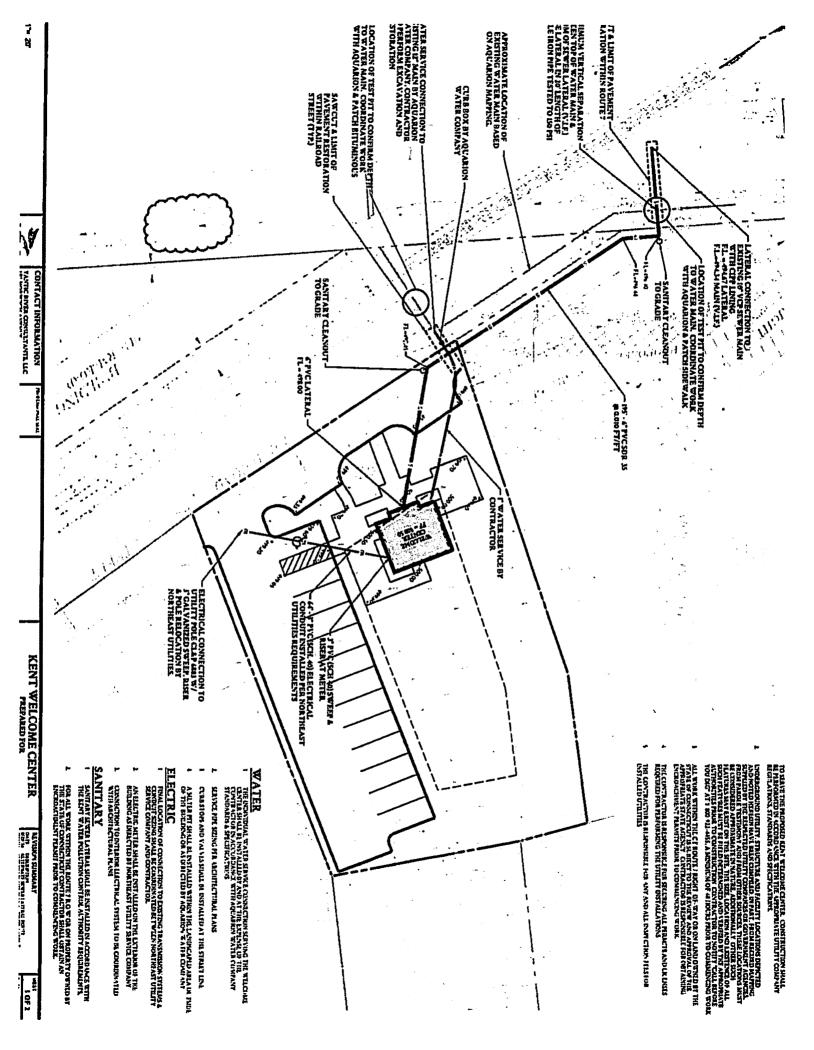
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Thank you.



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Survey Name: Filming of BOS meetings survey Response Status: Partial & Completed Filter: None Sep 28, 2016 10:48:25 AM

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Mr. Adams added that he signed-up for a traffic study to be conducted some time in the next two weeks. The study will be conducted on the Main Street traffic. Mr. Parkin would like to request that the stop signs at Bulls Bridge be changed to yield signs.

### **Emergency Shelter:**

Mr. Adams stated Deputy Emergency Manager Suzie Rundall is obtaining updated quotes on generators. The Town did not budget for the generator in the 2016/2017 Fiscal Year Budget.

Mr. Parkin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m. Mr. Adams seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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Administrative Assistant

These are draft minutes and the Board of Selectmen at the subsequent meeting may make corrections. Please refer to subsequent meeting minutes for possible corrections and approval of these minutes. AGENDA

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING

October 4, 2016 4:30 P.M. TOWN HALL

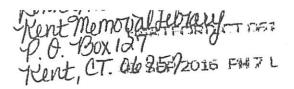
## **Regular Monthly Meeting**

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Add to agenda/approve agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes
  - a September 6, 206 Regular Meeting b September 16, 2016 Special Meeting
- 5. Public Communication
  - a Oral
  - b Written
- 6. Report of First Selectman
- 7. Report of Selectmen
- 8. Report of Treasurer
- 9. Tax Refunds
- 10. Employee(s) report(s) on Seminar/workshops
- 11. New Business
  - a Farm land soils
  - b CT Recreational Trails Program Grant
- 12. Old Business
  - a Public Restrooms
  - b Live Streaming BOS meetings
  - c Traffic Flow Bulls Bridge
  - d Emergency Shelter
- 13. Adjourn

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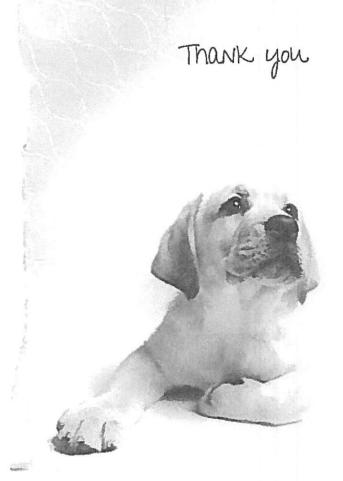
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Bruce adams, First Selectman P.O. Box 678 Kent, CT. 06757

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7878 Au - 00ps! September 1, 2016 Dear Bruce, Thank you so much for picking up all the old light tubes at the fibrary yesterday and bringing them to the town recycle center. I had no idea the town would take them will you mentioned it. It saved us the \$600 that Eversource wanted to remove them. We truly appreciate the help. Thank you! Ancerely, Anna



# Kent Park and Recreation

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To: Board of Selectmen From: Lesly Ferris Lusly Date: Sept. 28, 2016

Re: Senior center activities

The following special recreational activities took place at the Kent Senior Center during September 2016:

12: Adult Coloring Program (co-sponsor).

Please note also that Leah Pullaro and I organized the annual planting in the Memory Garden September 16 and the Friday Senior Lunch program resumed Sept. 9.

Thank you.

TO:	Board of Selectmen
FROM:	Leah Pullaro
DATE:	September 9, 2016
RE:	Social Services Report, 4th quarter 2015-2016

1. MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH – In April, attended a Regional Mental Health Board meeting, Operation Fuel Training, and met with the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau to explore collaboration. In May, attended NASW statewide conference, Regional Mental Health Board meeting, Kent Community Fund agency forum, meeting of the Foundation for Community Health, helped organize the Kent Boy Scout Food Drive. In June, attended a Regional Mental Health Board meeting.

2. CLIENTS SERVED - In April, May, and June, I completed 49 prescheduled and walk-in appointments.

### 3. ASSIST PROGRAMS:

- Assist Fund –The assist fund expended \$250 in assistance for rent, utilities, and car related repairs/expenses.
- Kent Community Fund Provided grant assistance to Kent households totaling \$3,445.00. Requests included assistance with rent, utilities, and medical bills.
- Foundation for Community Health Received \$552.92 in medication and prescription insurance premium payment assistance for Kent residents.
- Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation \$2,951.67 in assistance from the Neighbor to Neighbor Fund, Jane Lloyd Fund, and Blue Horizons Health Fund.

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