

# *TOWN OF WILLINGTON*

*Board of Finance  
Town Office Building  
40 Old Farms Road  
Willington, CT 06279*



## *ANNUAL REPORT*

*For the Fiscal Year  
July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010*

# TOWN OF WILLINGTON

Annual Report

And

Audit of Town Records

July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010

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# *Town of Willington*

## *Board of Finance*

*To the Citizens of the Town of Willington,*

*The information contained in the annual report summarizes the activities for the fiscal year, July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. This document is prepared and published by the Board of Finance as required by the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut.*

*This report contains excerpts from the annual audit performed by an independent public accountant and the annual reports from the various elected and appointed officials, boards, commissions and committees. It also includes reference information current to the town such as a town map, names and terms of elected and appointed officials, and important phone numbers for town agencies.*

*The Board of Finance wishes to express their sincere appreciation to all elected and appointed officials, members of town boards, town employees, and numerous volunteers for their dedicated service to Willington. The Board of Finance extends thanks to our secretary, Debra Hlobik, for compiling the information and producing the report.*

*Ken Schoppmann, Chairman*  
*Anne Marie Brown, Vice-Chair*  
*Alan Ference, Secretary*  
*Elizabeth Marco*  
*Chopeta Lyons*  
*Peter Latincsics*  
*Richard Littell, Alternate*  
*Mark Wiggins, Alternate*

# *Town of Willington*

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Board of Selectmen 40 Old Farms Road Willington, Connecticut 06279 (860) 487-3100 (860) 487-3103

To the Residents of Willington ~

The Board of Selectmen would like to thank the townspeople, the boards and commissions and the Town employees for their dedication throughout the year.

Many people contribute their time and talents to ensure Willington remains a wonderful place to live, learn and play.

An Amended Ordinance Establishing Land Use Application Processing Fees was adopted at a Town Meeting on August 19, 2009.

The Town was awarded a \$9,100 grant from the Office of Policy and Management Justice Assistant Grant on September 2, 2009. A security system and security cameras were successfully installed at the Town Office Building on December 2, 2009.

On November 10<sup>th</sup>, the Town voted to appropriate \$80,000 from the General Reserve Fund to finish the new roof and bay entrance project at Willington Hill Fire Department North Station.

Selectmen Millix & Blessington and First Selectman Mailhos were voted into office on November 7, 2009 and began their terms on November 17, 2009.

An ongoing F.O.I. appeal initiated by the prior Board of Selectmen was ceased by vote of the BOS on December 21, 2009.

The Town authorized appropriating \$150,000 from the General Fund which is to be reimbursed by STEAP grant # 2010-24 for the River Road Complex at Town Meeting on December 22, 2009.

The Office of Policy and Management awarded an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant to the Town on February 8, 2010. The funds were appropriated at Town Meeting on May 18, 2010. The funds will be used to replace the windows in the Town Office Building.

Wilderness Way was adopted as a Town Road on March 23, 2010.

The Board of Selectmen resolved to support 20% clean energy by 2010 on April 19, 2010.

The Kechkes Road Bridge was completed on April 22, 2010 and the Senior Center Recreation area was completed on April 23, 2010.

The Selectmen's office is open Monday from 12:30 PM to 7:30 PM and Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The Selectmen's meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Monday of each month (with the exception for holidays, which are then held on the following Tuesday) at 6:30 PM. If we can be of assistance please call 487-3100 or stop by the office.

2008-2009 Board of Selectmen

Michael Eldredge

Mark Palmer

David Charette

2009-2010 Board of Selectmen

Christina B. Mailhos

Tyler Millix

John Blessington

**TOWN OF WILLINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR**

March 2011

**REPORT OF THE ASSESSOR**

Assessor is responsible for discovering, listing and valuing all the real estate and personal property located in the town. This is an annual cycle with a uniform assessment date of October 1<sup>st</sup>.

The 2010 Grand List was completed and filed on January 31, 2011.

These figures are being reported prior to the completion of the duties of the Board of Assessment Appeals.

The net taxable grand list figures are as follows:

	<i><b>2010 Grand List</b></i>	<i><b>Percent of change from 2009</b></i>
<b>REAL ESTATE</b>	424,341,890	0.58%
<b>PERSONAL PROPERTY</b>	12,695,688	2.79%
<b>MOTOR VEHICLE</b>	38,901,700	3.75%
<b>TOTAL TAXABLE GRAND LIST</b>	475,939,278	0.89%

The staff in the Assessor's Office is available to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary E. Huda*

Mary E. Huda, CCMA II  
Assessor

**WILLINGTON REVENUE COLLECTION DEPARTMENT**

**40 Old Farms Road**

**Willington CT 06279**

Phone-(860)487-3111 Fax-(860)487-3103 Email-collector@willingtonct.org

Public hours: Monday 12:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

Tuesday through Friday 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

OFFICE STAFF: Carol Larson, CCMC, Revenue Collector  
Michele Manas, CCMC, Assistant Collector

The 2009/2010 fiscal year current adjusted 2008 levy was \$10,984,735.18 of which we collected \$ 10,911,259.37 or 99.33%.

We again sent our suspense file to an outside agency for collections and had favorable results, at no cost to the town. We did have 4 properties for tax sale, however 2 of the 4 paid before it actually went to the tax sale.

The Collectors Office is available to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Larson, CCMC  
Revenue Collector



**Town of Willington**  
**Schedule of property taxes levied, collected and outstanding June 30, 2010**

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**OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK**

Donna J. Hardie, Town Clerk

40 Old Farms Road

Willington, CT. 06279

Office Hours: Monday - 12:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Tuesday – Friday - 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

During the 2009 -2010 fiscal year, the Town Clerk's Office has;

Recorded:	36 Birth Certificates
	38 Death Certificates
	34 Marriage Certificates
	9 Military Discharges
	5 Liquor Licenses
	15 Notary Certificates
Issued:	414 Sports Licenses
	693 Dog Licenses
	3 Kennel Licenses
	21 Marriage Licenses
	84 Passports
Recorded & Indexed:	928 Legal Documents in the land records
	11 Survey Maps
	6 Trade Name Certificates
Notarized:	201 Documents
Administered the oath to:	19 Town Officials and Commission Members
	98 New Voters

The Town Clerk's Office is responsible recording the above documents, ordering supplies, publishing legal notices, and following procedures required by law to conduct all elections/referendums for the Town of Willington and officiates as secretary for the town at town meetings called by the Board of Selectmen.

During the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year, the Town of Willington held:

- 1 Municipal Election
- 1 Democratic Party Primary
- 1 Referendum - Annual Budget
- 1 Annual District #19 Tri-town Budget Mtg
- 1 Annual Town Meeting
- 1 Public Hearings
- 5 Special Town Meetings
- 50 Absentee Ballots
- 0 Overseas Ballots
- 0 Military Blank Ballots
- 1 Ordinance Adds or Changes

The Town Clerk's Office collected fees for services as required by General Statutes of Connecticut (7-34a). The monies collected and submitted to the Town Treasurer:

Dog Fund	\$ 4,416.00
Copy Machine Fees	\$ 4,588.75
Preservation LOCIP	\$ 2,514.00
Town Conveyance Tax	\$ 36,919.58
Open Space	\$ 0.00
General Fund	\$ 28,088.00
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TOTAL PAID TO TOWN	\$ 76,526.33

Non-reimbursement fees for town recordings.

Fees no longer charged to the town due to the Town Clerk's Ordinance - \$1,070.00

PA 146 as of 7/2000 Town Preservation Fees – \$838.00

Grant Received by the State Library Preservation Program - \$5,000.00

Preserve three old volumes of voter's names, 1928, 1930, 1937

Combined Map indexes into one and put maps on a CD Project is completed. Actual cost \$5,005.00

Land Protection Preservation PA05-228 as of 10/1/05 - \$838.00

Monies collected by the Town Clerk and submitted to the State of Connecticut:

St. Dog Surcharge	\$ 1,626.00
St. Marriage Surcharge	\$ 399.00
St. Preservation	\$ 1,676.00
St Land Prot LOCIP	\$ 30,132.00
DEP Sports Licenses	\$ 7,288.00
St. Conveyance Tax	\$ 73,838.65
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TOTAL PAID TO STATE	\$114,959.65

Respectfully submitted,

Donna J. Hardie  
Willington Town Clerk

**Town of Willington**  
**Treasurer**

During the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the fund balance of the General Fund increased by \$179,375 to \$1,779,101. This increase occurred as a result of the non-use of the planned utilization of fund balance of \$200,000 as approved in the original budget. Expenditures were lower than estimated in the final budget for education, and general government categories. Revenue growth was modest with increases in property taxes.

The town has appropriated \$200,000 of the fund balance for spending in the fiscal year 2011 budget.

Rating agencies continue to suggest a minimum fund balance equal to five percent of total general fund expenditures but recommend a fund balance of 8-10% of total general fund expenditures be maintained. The GFOA (Government Finance Officers Association) now recommends that the fund balance be no less than two months of General Fund Operating expenditures.

The following table demonstrates the Town's General Fund balance at both the minimum and recommended levels.

	5% Minimum Level	8% Recommended Level	GFOA Recommended 2 months
General Fund Balance	\$1,779,101	\$1,779,101	\$1,779,101
% of Expenditures	\$773,417	\$1,237,467	\$2,578,056
Designated Amount	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
Available for Spending 6/30/10	\$805,684	\$341,634	\$(998,955)

The Town was once again honored with a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada. This award has been received by the Town's Finance Department since the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,



Tish Ignatowicz  
Treasurer

**ANNUAL REPORT  
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS  
Fiscal Year 2009-2010**

The Registrars of Voters are mandated to maintain the files of voter registration cards and computer records used to generate official lists for elections, primaries and referenda. Our duties also include: administering such elections, primaries and referenda; training election officials; preparing the electronic voting equipment; conducting the annual canvass of voters to update voter records; generating reports of new voters and voters removed from the voter list; conducting mandated voter registration sessions, at the Town Office Building as well as at E. O. Smith High School; and generating other reports as requested.

During fiscal year 2009-2010, 98 new voters were added to the Active Voter List in Willington, 155 names were removed from the Active List, and 90 names were moved from the Active List to the Inactive List as a result of the 2010 Canvass. The fiscal year closed June 30, 2010 with 3447 Active voters.

The Elections Department conducted the following voting events during the 2009-2010 fiscal year:

--The Municipal Election November 3, 2009 with 41% voter turnout.

--A Democratic Municipal Primary September 15, 2009 with 21% voter turnout.

--The Region 19, Town Government, and Town K-8 School Budgets Referendum took place on May 4, 2010, with a 10.4% voter turnout.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Vogel  
Democratic Registrar

Gail Kapinos  
Republican Registrar



**Town of Willington  
Public Works Department  
42 Hancock Road  
Willington, CT 06279  
(860) 684-9313**

The Willington Public Works Department is your primary maintenance department for the town. Maintenance includes snowplowing, sanding, grading, sweeping, brush cutting, tree removal, road kill removal, drainage, sign repair and replacement, and chip sealing. The department also provides landscaping services to town owned properties such as the ball fields at Hall School, Center School, River Road Park, the Town Green, the Senior Citizen Center, Village Hill Bridge Park and Fenton Ruby Park. We also care for the Public Library, Transfer Station, Dog Pound, Public Works, Town Hall and Old Town Hall.

Our major projects this past fiscal year (July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010) included:

We spent a little time at Halls Pond this year making it look like a *welcoming swimming spot* and it's amazing what you can do with a little time. Mulch and millings came from Public Works pit. Thank you to **J.J. Mottes** for the picnic table and bench, also to **Knight Construction and Sons** for the load of beach sand.

Hall School: we removed the islands in the lower parking lot, shimmed and brush cut around the parking lot in preparation for chip sealing.

For preparation for chip sealing; edging back, shimming, patching and overlay were done on Blair, Spak, Cemetery, Lisa Lane and Loshe. Asphalt alone was over \$19,000.00 which does not include the Public Works manpower or equipment.

We chip sealed Blair Road, Cemetery Road, Lisa Lane, Lohse Road, Mihaliak Road, Mihaliak Ext, Polster Road and Potter School Road. This was 8.71 miles of road and cost \$138,707.85.

We finally got to finish the recreation area for the seniors with the completion of the planters. Thank you **Hipsky Construction** for the donation of the topsoil to fill the planters with and **Matt Cyr** for planting veggies and flowers that were enjoyed by the seniors.

After years of working on the Kechkes Bridge project we finally saw it finished.

Of course how can we forget all the little “honey do” items no one ever remembers: Removing of 4 loads of tires and skids dumped on the open space property on Spak and Loshe, moving bleachers and benches from River Road Park to Hall School and then back again, setting up Hall’s pond with the raft and ropes, (Thank you **Allen Arel** from the Willington #1 Fire Department for being the first in the pond every spring.) Locate and dug up septic tanks to be pumped at the senior center (which did not match the as built plan). Then cover it back over with seed and hay. Replacing the well cover that someone *needed* from Burma Park.

Then of course the little emergency jobs that pop up: culvert that is collapsing on Moose Meadow or the Catch Basin on Laurel that was completely deteriorated. Going out during storms to close off roads due to trees on wires and then in the morning having to clean up the mess left behind after the wires were fixed. Plowing out a driveway for the ambulance to get into a driveway and trying to get there during a snow storm without wasting valuable time, or the dead tree that was hanging over the play area at Center School.

Our crew responded to thirty-two (32) call outs for snow storms and sanding events by plowing and sanding roadways and town owned parking lots at a cost of \$180,474.53. We delivered buckets of sand to 29 town seniors. We would like to thank **Katheryn Demers** of Mansfield for the donation of the buckets.

We responded to many concerns of residents over the year including: removal of a number of dead animals from town roads including: deer, fox, cats, beaver, even a fisher cat that was hit by a car and they say turkeys are dumb. Replacement of over 132 stolen or vandalized street and road signs average cost per sign between \$35.00 and \$50.00 not including the bracket or post. Replacing curbs; repairing washouts; cleaning up trash dumped on the roads and in the forest.

At the transfer station residents recycled 733.77 Tons. We sent out 1625 gallons of waste oil (the remainder of oil collected was used by Public Works to fuel our waste oil heater). Residents generated 825.86 tons of bulky waste (at a cost of \$55,545.56) and 1217.12 tons of trash (at a cost of \$115275.13). Our swap shed, aka the Willington Mall, continues to do a brisk business during transfer station hours. Please consider what you toss into the bulky bin. If it is salvageable, please consider putting it into the swap shop for other residents to use. One person’s trash is another’s treasure and this helps to keep our cost down and helps others. On the other hand, please do not leave items that are unsuitable. Please see the attendant before leaving items that may be questionable. We encourage all residents to use this resource and always remember that the return policy can’t be beat. As you may have noticed, our Transfer Station is being brought into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We have gone single stream recycling paper, cardboard, glass and cans and have a compactor that takes all so you no longer have to separate it. We have set up an

electronics bin which will recycle TV's, computers, light bulbs and other electronics. New stickers have been issued as residents show up at the Transfer Station.

It is great to live in a town that has so many wonderful people and resources. I would like to thank some of the people who have helped us throughout the year by supporting not only this department, but the entire town. A special thanks goes out to **Walt West and his family** for doing the lights on the Christmas tree on the green every year, Contractors: **Putnam Welding, Becker Construction, Hipsky Construction, Knight Construction,** and **Sadow Construction** for always being available for any emergency that may arise and having sharp pencils when it comes to bidding on jobs for the town. I haven't forgotten the smaller contractors, **Wayne Bellefleur, Ed Standish, Patinode Electric, Chris Deskus,** and **Dan from Country Landscaping.** Most important, the **two fire departments** who are always there.

Thanks to my crew (**Lucien Bessette, Jeff Semmelrock, Brian French, Dave Nash, Jeff Hansen** and **Robin McBreaity** for all their hard work above and beyond the call of duty.

It's funny how many times we hear about people knowing our jobs better than we do, but it's the gratification of going home at night knowing we did the best we could do with the tools we are given to do it with.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Nicholls  
Director, Public Works



## **INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES**

### **Fiscal Year 2009-2010**

The purpose of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission is to protect the citizens of the Town of Willington by implementing provisions for the protection, preservation, maintenance and use of inland wetlands and watercourses by minimizing their disturbance and pollution, maintaining and improving water quality; preventing damage from erosion, turbidity or siltation; preventing loss of fish/wildlife and habitat; deterring and inhibiting the damage of flood and pollution; protecting the quality of wetlands and watercourses for their conservation, economic, aesthetic, recreational, other public and private uses and values; and protecting potable water supplies.

The Commission provides an orderly process to balance the need for economic growth and the use of land, with the need to protect the environment and ecology in order to guarantee the people of Willington and its future generations the safety of such natural resources for their benefit and enjoyment.

Regulatory authority for the Commission is found under the Town of Willington's Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations (Section 1 through Section 20) as mandated by Connecticut General Statutes, Section 22a - 36 through 22a - 45.

This fiscal year, the Commission completed work on the comprehensive revision of their regulations in order to bring them into compliance with current State and Federal laws. It also completed the development of new Aquifer Regulations per State mandate. The Commission held 16 meetings as well as several site walks and reviewed 14 applications.

Members included: Ken Metzler, Co-Chairman, Dave Schreiber, Co-Chairman, Evan Bland, Mark Drobney, Greg Blessing and Tessa Gutowski. Providing enforcement, technical and clerical support to the Commission was Susan Yorgensen, Gary Jones, Margaret DuPilka, and Michelle Manas.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ken Metzler, Co-Chairman

## **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

**FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2009 - JUNE 30, 2010**

The Planning and Zoning Commission's duties include: drafting and amending the zoning and subdivision regulations and the Towns Plan of Conservation and Development, hearing and deciding upon applications for subdivisions, re-subdivisions, site plans and special permits.

Members of the 2009-2010 Commission were: Matthew Ellis, Chairman, Andy Marco, Phil Nevers, Tom Murphy, Walter Parsell III, Edward Standish, John Sullivan and Jim Poole, Alternate.

After the new Plan of Conservation and Development became effective February 7, 2006, a review and amendment effective March 1, 2008 and a brief adjustment to its changing membership the Commission continued in their efforts to amend the subdivision and zoning regulations so they will complement the Towns PoCD.

The Commission extended the moratorium on new subdivisions while they continue to work on subdivision regulations revisions.

The Commission and its staff approved 251 applications including Special Permits, modifications of Special Permits, Special Permit renewals, a zoning regulation amendment, new Home Occupation permits, Home Occupation renewals and 10 new homes.

The Planning and Zoning Commission held 20 regular meetings and 14 special meetings including several site walks.

The Commission is continuing its efforts to balance the growth in town and the need for economic development with our goal of safeguarding the health, safety, welfare and property values of the residents of Willington.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matthew O. Ellis, Chairman



**Willington Youth, Family  
& Social Services**

***“Where Community Grows”***

40 Old Farms Rd

Willington, CT 06279

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**Social Services**

“Social Services” is an umbrella term, which actually includes many different types of services. Case management, community programming and benefits education, crisis intervention and public relations all fall under the definition of “social services.” Going forward with those four categories, here is some statistical data that you may find compelling.

**Case Management** – Case management is an evaluative process in which a social worker determines the basic needs of an individual or family; and then determines in what way those basic needs can be met. Some WYFSS case management statistics from July 1, 2010 through April 1, 2011 are as follows:

Energy/ Heating Assistance	97 Applications	Down 25 from last year
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	28 Applications	Up 12 from last year
Medicaid	11 Applications	Up 4 from last year
Medicare-related Assistance	9 Applications	Down 12 from last year
Cash Assistance/TANF	6 Applications	Up 4 over last year
Husky Health Insurance	2 Applications	No data from last year
Charter Oak Health Insurance	0 Applications	Static
Home Care Program for Elders	2 Applications	Down 1 from last year
Referrals to Meals on Wheels	3 Referrals	No data from last year
Referrals to Mental Health Services	5 Referrals	No data from last year
Referrals to DCF (abuse/neglect)	0 Referrals	Static
Referrals to Protective Services	1 Referrals	Down 1 from last year
Referral and/or transport To Emergency Shelter	1 Referral	No data from last year

Care 4 Kids Program	1 Application	No data from last year
The Willington Scholarship Fund	3 Applications	No data from last year
Renter's Rebate for the Elderly & Disabled	32 Applications	Down 24 from last year
The Willington Food Pantry	218 bags of groceries	No data from last year
The Willington Fuel Bank	26 Households served	No data from last year
The Willington Holiday Assistance Program: (Thanksgiving)	52 Household Served	No data from last year
Christmas/December Holiday)	56 Household Served	No data from last year
Emergency Assistance	4 Households Served	No data from last year

**Community Programming** – Community programs have a variety of purposes; to educate, entertain, unite, or all of these at once. The following is a brief synopsis of the programs which WYFSS offered in the past fiscal year.

#### **Early Childhood Programs**

Caterpillar Club	ages 18 mos. to 4 years	once weekly	free of charge
Toddler Time: Music & Movement	ages 18 mos to 4 years	once weekly	\$40 per 10 weeks
Toddler Time: Pre- School Activities	Ages 18 mos. to 4 years	once weekly	\$40 per 10 weeks

#### **Childhood & Youth Programs**

New Horizons Girls Group	Girls grades K-3	twice monthly	\$40 per school year
New Horizons Girls Group	Girls grades 4-6	twice monthly	\$40 per school year

#### **Special/Occasional Youth Programs**

February Camp	Grades K-6	once yearly	price varies
April Camp	Grades K-6	once yearly	\$175 per wk
Safe Kids Camp	Pre-K	once yearly (end of summer)	approx \$40

## **Special/Occasional Programs**

Laser Tag for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Free of charge (NECASA grant funded)

### **News and Happenings**

WYFSS is currently engaged in a new relationship with the Towns of Ashford, Mansfield, and Coventry. This new relationship is termed a “Regional Youth Service Bureau.” Through this collaboration, WYFSS exchanges and receives fresh ideas, valuable insights, and colleague support from the sending Towns to E. O. Smith High School. This new collaboration may be deepened by the formation of a Regional Juvenile Review Board (RJRB) to circumvent youth charged with criminal offenses from entering into the juvenile justice system. This discovery is in its’ early stages, with funding opportunities, geographic areas of inclusion, and practicality being investigated. In 2010, there were five charges filed against youth in Willington.

It is our hope that WYFSS can maintain services, while searching for new funding avenues in the upcoming challenging fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Bergeron Martin  
Director

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## **WILLINGTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011**

The Parks and Recreation Department will be operating the completed RRAC site this summer with construction finishing in the spring. We are planning an opening day ceremony for June 4<sup>th</sup> including speeches from our local politicians, interactive use of the baseball diamond and soccer field, and sporting competitions on the basketball court and volleyball court. We will have food and drink available as well as a DJ, live music and interactive games for people of all ages. The RRAC was developed as a place for our community to come together and enjoy what the Parks and Recreation Commission views as a great product of volunteerism, state and local funding, and generous donations from some of our fellow townspeople. During an economic downturn, we were still able to create a park that will provide everyone in Willington a place to “come out and play”.

The economic downturn has affected the Parks and Recreation budget with a 7% decrease, but we feel that the programs our director and commission have supported and developed will help us to fill in that gap. The RRAC will require regular maintenance, which we hope to offset with rental fees of the park for specific events.

The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to provide maintenance of the athletic fields at Hall School, Center School, and the Town Hall Offices. We will meet these obligations, staying within our budget, and working with volunteers, donations and fundraisers to keep our fields playable.

Teri Gareau, our director, is working with the commission to develop new programs, and to maintain what we have found to be popular and positive ones. Willington residents can borrow kayaks and the associated safety and transporting equipment again this summer due to a grant the department acquired two years ago. Snow shoes were available this winter as well. Our hope is to keep the RRAC useful through the next winter with events that would include cross country skiing and snow shoeing. The pavilion will offer cover from the elements, and we will work on creating an open fireplace to keep attendees warm. The pavilion will have electrical outlets and lighting by the summer season which will help us in making greater use of the facility.

The commission members and our director will continue to work on improving our department, programs, and sites to provide the best environment possible for our townspeople.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

In an ongoing effort to provide the citizens of Willington with programs and facilities for everyone's recreational needs, the Willington Parks and Recreation Department will always commit its resources to expand and adapt to those needs.

The Willington Parks and Recreation Department in association with the Public Works Department, outside contractors, and the Board of Education, will maintain the playing fields at Hall School and Center School, the River Road Athletic Complex, and the Town Hall Offices.

By offering a diverse group of recreational programs with the equipment and facilities to safely and properly implement these programs, we hope to get our community to "come out and play". Good health, social interaction, and promoting learning of new physical and mental skills are available to everyone who wants to participate.

"The first wealth is health" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph C. Colangelo, Chairman  
Willington Parks and Recreation Commission

# **WILLINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

## **Annual Report**

Fiscal Year July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

The Conservation Commission is committed to improving the quality of life in Willington by being an advocate and source of information for the wise use of natural resources, by actively working to conserve open space and by providing citizens with opportunities to appreciate, to enjoy and to learn from our natural environment.

### **FENTON-RUBY PARK AND DROBNEY SANCTUARY**

- The Commission continued to plan and carry out educational and maintenance activities in the Park. Wood duck nesting boxes in the beaver pond and Taylor Pond are maintained by a local citizen. A local farmer maintains the hay fields with regular cutting. Educating the public about keeping dogs on leashes for purposes of public safety and wildlife protection is an ongoing effort.
- The Commission's popular series of educational walks and presentations included: a naturalist-led landscape interpretive walk, a naturalist/botanist-led workshop and walk on wild edibles, an animal tracking walk and an astronomy night.
- Entries in the registration log on the Taylor Pond Trail and conversations with Park users (including many people from surrounding towns) indicate that the Park continues to be a well-used and appreciated facility.

### **REGIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

The Commission continues to communicate and cooperate with organizations such as the Willimantic River Alliance, the Green Valley Institute, The Nature Conservancy, Joshua's Trust, the Naubesatuck Watershed Council, Connecticut Forest and Parks Association, and conservation commissions in surrounding towns in order to promote regional conservation and preservation awareness and actions.

### **OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION**

#### **The Commission:**

- Co-hosted with Joshua's Trust, the Nature Conservancy and the Ashford Conservation Commission, a "Protecting Family Farms and Forests" workshop
- Continued to monitor land protected through easements or Town ownership for conservation purposes
- Continued to make recommendations to Town finance officials to begin setting aside funds to preserve open space that will help protect some of the resources and rural character that Willington is fortunate to possess

- Had a wildlife and natural resource specialist evaluate the Willington Heights Management Area and make recommendations to improve and maintain the area for wildlife habitat
- Continued to supervise the details needed to finalize the purchase of the Knowlton Property on Mason Road for which the Commission obtained a \$306,250 grant from the Connecticut DEP in 2008.

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

### **The Commission:**

- Continued development of a canoe/kayak landing at the site of the historic Peck's Mill on the Willimantic River as part of Willington's commitment to participate in the Willimantic Greenway Program in collaboration with the Willimantic River Association
- Began involvement in the Natchaug River Basin Conservation Action Plan that will bring an awareness to regional towns of the desirability and advantages of preserving the natural resources and ecology of this important watershed
- Prepared by Peter S. Andersen, Commission Chairman

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## **WILLINGTON SENIORS, INC STATEMENT OF SERVICE, REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010**

The purpose and responsibility of Willington Seniors, Inc is to bring the seniors of Willington age 55 or older together to provide and promote beneficial social, educational, recreational, cultural and health programs. Willington Seniors Inc, is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization and provides many programs including but not limited to Line and Square dancing, TaiChi, cards, congregate noontime meals, exercise classes, knitting, art classes, bingo, crafts, and Wii games.

Willington Seniors also sponsor bus and van trips to various social, recreational, cultural events and shopping trips. We continue to expand our membership as more eligible seniors become aware of our existence and activities. We welcome all seniors.

Respectfully,

Joseph Piatek  
Treasurer



**Town of Willington  
Economic Development Commission  
Annual Report 2009-2010**

The Commission meets once a month, September through June.

Over the past year, the Commission has worked with many potential commercial developers to present the benefits of building/relocating to Willington. Our focus is one of planned growth, while maintaining the town's rural character as prescribed in the Plan of Conservation and Development (PoCD).

We continue to build our expertise using various town records and maps in building an informational resource that will assist business development in town. Commission members continue to access training opportunities as they become available and are working to build stronger relationships with our local businesses.

In 2010, we welcomed the long awaited opening of the Love's Veterinary Hospital on Rt. 32 and the opening of Anything Printed Copy Store at Rt 32 & 74. We also continue to work with Love's Travel Centers as they work their way through the permitting process.

We as a commission continue to reach out to new businesses and offer assistance in their application process. As part of this outreach the Commission has joined the Tolland County Chamber of Commerce to network better with potential businesses.

The Commission is planning to hold another Business Owners Forum in the fall of 2011 and is currently working on a Business Directory that will highlight our local businesses. This Directory will be distributed so that we can help connect customers to our local businesses. These activities allow us to not only to entice new businesses to locate here but also to nurture our existing businesses.

We recognize the difficult times that are affecting our economy, families and local businesses. We are taking every opportunity to advocate for the businesses of Willington to get them through these difficult times.

The Commission plays an interesting and challenging role in town government as we assist businesses in becoming a part of our community while balancing the wishes of residents that have been expressed through the PoCD.

Respectfully submitted:

David P. Charette  
2010 Chairman

## ***TOLLAND-MANSFIELD PROBATE COURT***

***Coventry, Mansfield, Tolland & Willington***

***21 Tolland Green***

***Tolland, CT 06084***

***Tel # (860) 871-3640***

***Fax # (860) 871-3641***

*Claire C. Twerdy, Judge*  
*Diane D. DuBaldo, Chief, Clerk*

*Patricia H. Maines, Clerk*  
*Patricia L. Phillips, Asst. Clerk*

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The Tolland-Mansfield Probate Court, located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> level of the Hicks Memorial Municipal Center on Tolland Green, serves the Towns of Coventry, Mansfield, Tolland and Willington. As planned, the consolidation of the Tolland and Mansfield Probate Courts took effect this January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011, with the new court constituting a four town probate district.

The Probate Court has jurisdiction over decedents' estates, testamentary trusts, guardianships of minors' estates, conservatorships of the estate and person of incapacitated adults, voluntary conservatorships, guardianships of persons with mental retardation, civil commitments of the mentally ill and changes of names for adults and minors. The Probate Court is also responsible for terminations of parental rights, removal of guardians of minors, emancipation of minors and adoptions. In addition, the court accepts applications for passports.

The Probate Court carries out its duties by holding hearings on the various types of applications filed with the court and as a means of reviewing the work of fiduciaries appointed by the Court. State law mandates that all court filings be recorded and indexed, much the same as land records are maintained by town clerks. Although many of the court's proceedings and records are open to the public, certain types are mandated confidential by state law, such as, adoptions, most other children's matters, commitments, and mental retardation guardianship matters occurring after the year 2000.

The four towns support the Probate Court with office facilities, supplies and related expenses. The Towns also fund the microfilming and preservation of court records. Other support comes through fees that are paid by petitioners who file applications and by the fees assessed against decedents' estates. All fees are established by state law and paid to the Treasurer, State of Connecticut. These fees provide the funds to cover the judge's compensation, also set by statute, and other court expenses, such as staff salaries and minor miscellaneous expenses.

The Probate Court Administrator, appointed by the Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court, oversees the efficient operation of probate courts statewide by providing computer equipment and technical support to all courts, continuing educational seminars for judges and clerks, a newly established central finance system and overall general support.

**TOWN OF WILLINGTON  
OFFICE OF THE BUILDING OFFICIAL**

Fiscal Year 2009-2010

The Building Department receives permit applications, reviews building plans and assist applicant through the building process.

The Building Department has a web page on the Town of Willington Web Site. The information is provided to help the applicant with the permit process, fees, construction plan requirements, and also the required inspection.

In the 2009-2010 fiscal years, 289 permits were issued. Nine permits for construction of new homes were issued. One permit was issued for a reconstructed home. Permit were also issued for addition and renovation, woodstoves, pools, roofing ,windows, decks, shed, electrical permits, mechanical permits & plumbing permits. The total building fee collected in the year ending June 30, 2010 was \$49,649.40

The Building Department staff would be more than happy to answer any of your questions regarding the permit process.

Office hours:   Monday      12:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
                          Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bradford Freeman  
Building Official

**Eastern Highlands Health District**  
2009/2010 Annual Report for Willington

The Towns of Bolton, Coventry, and Mansfield established the Eastern Highlands Health District on June 6, 1997 as a cooperative effort to pool their resources and create a regional full-time professional health department. Reducing costs and improving both the scope and quality of public health services in the community were the objectives of establishing the District. Seven more towns joined between 2000 and 2005: Andover, Ashford, Chaplin, Columbia, Scotland, Tolland, and Willington. The mission of the Eastern Highlands Health District is to prevent illness and promote wellness in the communities it serves. The pursuit of this mission is realized by assuring that other community agencies provide certain public health services within the region and by providing specific public health services directly. These direct services include a communicable disease control program; public health education and promotion; community assessment and public health planning; emergency preparedness; and comprehensive environmental health services. The main components of environmental health services include: on-site subsurface sewage disposal permitting; complaint investigation; food establishment licensing and inspection; and an environmental monitoring program.

**Highlights/Accomplishments for FY 09/10:**

- Board of Directors adoption of an operating budget of \$719,290 for FY 10/11, which is a 1.3% reduction from the previous fiscal year.
- Activated EHHD Pandemic Response Plan in response to the 2009 H1N1 Influenza A outbreak. Activities included risk and public health education communications, regular updates to community stakeholders, active surveillance, and the administration of 9,360 vaccinations (primarily to school aged children) in all ten health district communities.
- Health promotion activities this fiscal year included the reinvigoration of the Matters of the Heart Partnership funded by grants from the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors, and the expansion of the employee wellness program, BeWell.
- Septic plan review and approval process was updated and streamlined.
- The food protection program for non-profit entities was updated to provide greater options and improved ease for applicants.
- The fee schedule was expanded to accommodate farmers' market initiatives to include food service activities.
- Communicable disease control activities included review of and follow up (as needed) with 1,200 case reports; and conducting 10 outbreak, or individual case investigations.

- **The main FY 09/10 indicators for environmental health district activity in Willington** include: 70 site inspections for septic systems; 16 septic permits issued; 12 well permits issued; 15 complaints investigated; 25 environmental samples taken for lab analysis; 59 food establishment inspections and other health inspections; 40 B100a building permit reviews; and, 105 test pits and/or perk tests.

### **Plans for the Upcoming Fiscal Year:**

- Update and enhance agency website for greater functionality and easier use.
- Continue to update and exercise local emergency response plans. Develop a funding strategy for long-term program continuation in anticipation of federal funding reductions.
- Continue to pursue other funding sources to maintain existing scope of quality services and possibly expand health promotion programs.
- Expand Be Well employee wellness program to other employers in the community.
- Develop and implement policy and environmental changes that promote healthy behaviors.
- Address the individual public health needs of member towns as they arise.



**TOWN OF WILLINGTON**  
OFFICE OF FIRE MARSHAL



**Open Burning Official Town of Willington**

**Fiscal Year 2009/10 Annual Report**

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, Air Compliance Division only allows Town Residents who reside on their property to apply for an Open Burning Permit. None residents and owners of commercial property can not apply for these permits.

Open Burning Permits can be requested Monday through Thursday, 9 am through 3pm, by calling the office at 860-429-7757. Permits will then be issued on Friday after 10 am; pick up is at 426 River Road, which is the Willington # 1 Fire Dept. There are instructions on the permit which must be followed. **There is NO COST for these permits.**

**New for 2010, Before you burn, you will need to find the burning index for that day, either by calling DEP @ 860-424-3630, or go on-line [www.tollandcounty911.gov](http://www.tollandcounty911.gov) which would have the posted index. You can ONLY BURN when the index is Moderate or low.**

If you conduct an Open Burn without a permit, under CGS 23-48 as amended by PA 01-150, you can be fined up to \$250.00, or imprisoned for not more than 6 months or both.

Recreational, organizations, or religious fires DO NOT need a permit, as long as the diameter of this fire is within 4 ft. circumference. Please remember, that all of these fires must be out before retiring.

There were a total of 88 permits issued within the Town of Willington for the fiscal year 2009/10.



**WILLINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.**

426 RIVER ROAD P.O. BOX 161  
Willington, Connecticut 06279  
860.429.028

**Tyler F. Millix**  
**Fire Chief**

**Ronald A. Gantick**  
**President**

The Willington Fire Department experienced another safe but very busy year. Our call volume has continued to climb to approximately 850 calls per year. The majority of these calls are medical related. With adjustments with the paid staff and the volunteer workforce we have been able meet the demands of the increase in service and will continue to make adjustments as necessary keeping the overall safety of the residents in mind.

We continue to work to bring in more volunteers into the department. We have had the luxury of having some Uconn students join our organization that were already certified EMT's. This greatly reduces our costs in training. Although we typically only have them for three or four years, we are grateful to have them with us while they are in school.

The Willington Fire Department continues to dedicate itself to providing a cost effective, professional, and expeditious level of service to the residents of Willington. We thoroughly evaluate our expenses and operational policies on a routine basis to ensure the taxpayer's money is not being spent carelessly and consistently strive to provide a highly trained workforce capable of mitigating any emergency that occurs.

The volunteer and paid staff of the department looks forward to a very productive but safe year. Should you have any questions regarding the department or have any questions regarding fire safety in your homes please do not hesitate to contact the department at any time. We also encourage and welcome opinions on the operations of the department or the emergency services in general in Willington. We would appreciate any participation from the residents on how we can improve our operations to the Town.

As always, President Ron Gantick and I personally thank the members of the department for their numerous hours of time they give to the organization both operationally and administratively and thank the residents for your financial support throughout the year.

Best regards,  
Tyler F. Millix, Fire Chief



# Willington Hill Fire Department Inc.

P.O. Box 98 • 24 Old Farms Road

Willington, CT 06279



## Willington Hill Fire Department

### 2010 Annual Report

This has been a busy year for the volunteers of the Willington Hill Fire Department. Some of our activity was expected, some not. Our members have been involved with activities from fund-raising to weekly training, to emergency response and even significant time spent at the state run training academies. In addition, we have spent time working with the town on a new emergency services contract and finalizing our new truck. As in other years, our two most critical resources have been taxed heavily: personnel and budget.

The membership has invested literally thousands of volunteer hours in direct service to the town in all of our recorded activities. This does not include significant, untracked hours spent on research, projects, repairs and maintenance, as well as administrative duties such as personnel, administration, treasury, mail, and even writing this document. Emergency response alone has required an investment of over 5000 labor hours from our members in the last year. In addition, we continue to train improving the overall service delivery to the community as a whole. The only payment that any member may receive is a small stipend dependent upon level of participation. For the most active of members this is only a few hundred dollars a year. This stipend is not funded by the taxpayers, but by the interest on investments made possible by a large donation from a local estate.

We are excited about our new engine tank that is expected to be delivered in late spring. Our members have spent hundreds of hours making sure it will do the best job when it is needed. The task of replacing the old truck with one exactly like it proved to be challenging. This will place the firefighters in a new, safer, and more capable truck. High utility and insurance costs as well as high repair bills for older apparatus have hit our budget hard.

Also this year we have commit to adding a bay on our fire house. We have been dealing with unsafe parking and storage conditions for years. This new bay will help with this issue and like our new truck comes at no cost to the tax-payers. The volunteers have given up most of the above mentioned stipend to fund this addition.



Our station on Old Farms Rd. (at 55 years old) is significantly out of date and sub-standard. We have been studying options to rebuild or replace it for a few years now.

Our average number of volunteers for the year has remained at about 40 including our auxiliary and associate members. The economy and the daily stress have pushed these members to give less time to the department, but they continue with their dedication and support on about 1000 activities for the year.

Our operations simply wouldn't happen without these dedicated people giving generously of their own time. Additional thanks go to the families of those members who must also give so that hours can be spent by their loved ones in service to the department. I cannot express how proud I am of the service to the community displayed by our members and how proud I am to represent the Willington Hill Fire Department.

In closing, I would ask all residents and those who work in our community to keep fire and personal safety in the front of their minds along with any support they can give the local services. Please keep in mind that donations, public support, and membership are all critical to our ability to provide you with services.

Sincerely,

Chief, Thomas D Snyder



**TOWN OF WILLINGTON**  
OFFICE OF FIRE MARSHAL



**Fire Marshal**

**Fiscal year 2009/10 Annual Report**

The Fire Marshal Office has many different responsibilities. From ensuring occupancies meet the minimum Connecticut Fire Safety Code through annual Life Safety Inspection, issuing blasting permits following all State and Federal requirements, inspecting underground storage tank removals, reviews all new commercial construction, or renovation plans, and making sure all reports are filed with the State and Federal agencies. Investigate all fires for cause and origin.

The Town had a total of 39 fire related incidents, with 19 fires within residential or multi-housing buildings.

During the 2009/10 year there were 364 inspections. Day care Centers, schools, offices, mercantile/public assemblies occupancies, and finally which is the largest, the apartment complexes. There were many follow up inspections to see that compliance with the code has occurred.

The State required mandated training under CGS 29-298 which requires that every three(3) years a minimum of ninety(90) hours of training to maintain State certification. The Fire Marshal and two (2) Deputy Fire Marshals have completed those hours.

The Fire Marshal also chairs the Local emergency Planning Committee.

The Fire Marshal can be reach at 860-429-7757 for any questions or assistance.

# **WILLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Willington, Connecticut

## **ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN**

### **Report of the Superintendent of Schools and The Board of Education for 2009-2010**

As of October, 2009 there were 549 students enrolled in Willington Public Schools in grades Pre-K through eight. The operating budget for fiscal year 2009-2010 was approved in May 2008 at \$7,706,296.

Some of the accomplishments of the 2009-2010 school year included making significant gains in the primary grade reading scores and beginning the process of revising the district curriculum.

Capital projects that were completed in 2009-2010 include a new floor in the Hall Memorial School cafeteria.

The district continues to benefit from our partnership with the University of Connecticut. As a professional development school for the University we assist in the training of new teachers by facilitating future teachers as they develop their skills in a supportive environment. We have undergraduate students working as student teachers and graduate students working as interns under the tutelage of mentor teachers in both of our schools.

Our students continue to thrive in a variety of academic endeavors. Several students competed at the state level in science and math competitions and a few of our students represented Connecticut at the National History Day competition in Washington DC. While we have made many gains, there is still much work to be done.

#### 2008 / 2009 Board of Education Members

Mark Makuch, Chairman  
Laurie Semprebon, Vice-Chair  
Christine Psathas, Secretary  
Herbert Arico

Teri Gareau  
Christina Mailhos  
Leo Mercado

#### 2009 / 2010 Board of Education Member

Mark Makuch, Chairman  
Laurie Semprebon, Vice-Chair  
Leo Mercado, Secretary  
Herbert Arico

Mark Jones  
Barry Wallett  
Erika Wiecewski

Willington Public Schools 2010 CMT Data Percent At or Above Goal				
		Mathematics	Reading	Writing
		% At/Above Goal	% At/Above Goal	% At/Above Goal
	Grade			
Willington	3	66	68.1	64.6
State	3	62.6	57.1	58.3
Willington	4	67.2	60	63.6
State	4	50	50.2	41.3
Willington	5	87.3	53.7	72.9
State	5	72.6	61.8	68.2
Willington	6	80	68.8	59.3
State	6	71	74.9	65.9
Willington	7	80.9	85.9	71.4
State	7	68.8	77.5	61.3
Willington	8	78.3	80.6	70.3
State	8	67.5	73.4	62.7

October 1, 2010 enrollment

Grade	Pre-K	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
# of Students	24	34	48	52	53	51	64	62	56	70

Center School	211
Hall Memorial School	<u>303</u>
Total	514

## **Willington Public Library**

7 Ruby Road

Willington, CT 06279

860-429-3854

860-429-2136 fax



### **ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010**

One of the highlights of this year was the Friends of the WPL Donation Challenge. A generous Willington family had proposed a \$10,000.00 matching donation challenge with the hopes of raising money to restore hours that were eliminated from the library's schedule. Over \$10,000.00 was raised within five weeks.

The library carries eight museum passes that may be borrowed and at the circulation desk there is a booklet listing free museum passes. We had a total of 23,504 library visitors including out of town users. We offer twelve internet accessible computers as well as wireless internet. We loan out books, audio books, DVDs, magazines and music CDs.

This fiscal year we added 2,400 adult books, 578 young adult books, 1,985 juvenile books, 234 books-on-tape, and 685 DVDs and VHS.

We borrowed 221 items from other libraries in CT and we loaned out 808 items to CT libraries.

Our summer reading program is very popular as well as adult book discussions, children's nutmeg book discussions, teen book discussions, author visits, knitting and crocheting club, monthly movies, seminars, monthly game club, live animals, holiday parties, outreach programs, family game nights, and story times with crafts.

Volunteers are always welcome. Please join the Friends Group. They provide a vital source of assistance and revenue for the library, and they help enhance the library's offerings of events, resources, and programs.

Check out our webpage, [willingtonpubliclibrary.org](http://willingtonpubliclibrary.org) and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Sincerely,

Roberta S. Passardi  
Director

To Residents of the Town of Willington:

The following pages represent excerpts from the Town's annual audit report. The Town of Willington's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2010 is available in its entirety on the Town website at [www.willingtonct.org](http://www.willingtonct.org).

**TOWN OF WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL -  
BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>			<b>Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Actual</b>	
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 10,876,516	\$ 10,876,516	\$ 11,056,874	\$ 180,358
Intergovernmental	4,094,228	3,569,701	3,576,948	7,247
Licenses, fees and permits	146,000	146,000	136,425	(9,575)
Interest income	30,000	30,000	14,792	(15,208)
Other revenues	52,000	52,000	50,303	(1,697)
Total revenues	<u>15,198,744</u>	<u>14,674,217</u>	<u>14,835,342</u>	<u>161,125</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
General government	927,556	933,531	914,566	(18,965)
Public safety	390,182	392,381	392,246	(135)
Public works	1,133,669	1,122,503	1,118,139	(4,364)
Education	7,594,202	7,069,675	6,944,817	(124,858)
Regional School District No. 19	4,069,388	4,069,389	4,069,389	-
Miscellaneous	394,106	397,097	384,797	(12,300)
Debt service:	-	-	-	-
Principal payments	345,000	345,000	345,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	109,348	109,348	109,348	-
Total expenditures	<u>14,963,451</u>	<u>14,438,924</u>	<u>14,278,302</u>	<u>(160,622)</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	235,293	235,293	557,040	321,747
<b>OTHER FINANCING USES</b>				
Designation of fund balance	200,000	200,000	-	(200,000)
Transfers out	(435,293)	(435,293)	(435,293)	-
Transfers in	-	-	57,628	57,628
Total other financing uses	<u>(235,293)</u>	<u>(235,293)</u>	<u>(377,665)</u>	<u>(142,372)</u>
Net change in fund balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	179,375	<u>\$ 179,375</u>
Fund balance - beginning			1,599,726	
Fund balance - ending			<u>\$ 1,779,101</u>	

**TOWN OF WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES -**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance With</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>
				<u>Over (Under)</u>
PROPERTY TAXES				
Taxes	\$ 10,843,516	\$ 10,843,516	\$ 11,004,858	\$ 161,342
Interest and lien fees	33,000	33,000	52,016	19,016
Total property taxes	<u>10,876,516</u>	<u>10,876,516</u>	<u>11,056,874</u>	<u>180,358</u>
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES				
Education:				
Education cost sharing	3,676,637	3,152,110	3,152,105	(5)
Transportation	-	-	38,215	38,215
Miscellaneous	101,044	101,044	57,543	(43,501)
Noneducation:				
State property reimbursement	41,348	41,348	41,418	70
Elderly and disabled property tax homeowner	16,420	16,420	17,165	745
Disability reimbursement	640	640	613	(27)
Manufacturers pilot	19,000	19,000	14,539	(4,461)
Pequot funds	26,877	26,877	26,570	(307)
Additional veteran's exemption	976	976	931	(45)
Taxes on vessels (boat grant)	-	-	236	236
Judicial fines	6,000	6,000	10,705	4,705
School construction	85,569	85,569	85,569	-
FEMA planning grant	3,000	3,000	750	(2,250)
Town aid roads	116,717	116,717	130,589	13,872
Total intergovernmental revenues	<u>4,094,228</u>	<u>3,569,701</u>	<u>3,576,948</u>	<u>7,247</u>
LICENSES, FEES AND PERMITS				
Building, zoning fees and permits	63,000	63,000	55,604	(7,396)
Zoning board of appeals	500	500	582	82
Inland/wetland fees	9,500	9,500	5,104	(4,396)
Conveyance tax	30,000	30,000	36,920	6,920
Permits - bingo, pistol, etc.	1,000	1,000	2,175	1,175
Town clerk fees	30,000	30,000	30,602	602
Transfer station fees	6,000	6,000	5,175	(825)
Reimbursement - recycling	6,000	6,000	263	(5,737)
Total licenses, fees and permits	<u>146,000</u>	<u>146,000</u>	<u>136,425</u>	<u>(9,575)</u>
INVESTMENT EARNINGS	<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>14,792</u>	<u>(15,208)</u>



**TOWN OF WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES -**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Concluded)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance With</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>
				<u>Over (Under)</u>
MISCELLANEOUS				
Telecommunications grant	\$ 27,000	\$ 27,000	\$ 18,332	\$ (8,668)
Other	25,000	25,000	31,971	6,971
Total miscellaneous	<u>52,000</u>	<u>52,000</u>	<u>50,303</u>	<u>(1,697)</u>
 Total revenues	 <u>15,198,744</u>	 <u>14,674,217</u>	 <u>14,835,342</u>	 <u>161,125</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Transfers in:				
Reserve for Capital and Nonrecurring				
ExpendituresFund (drainage project closed)	-	-	57,628	57,628
Designation of fund balance	200,000	200,000	-	(200,000)
Total other financing sources	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>57,628</u>	<u>(142,372)</u>
 Total revenues and other financing sources	 <u>\$ 15,398,744</u>	 <u>\$ 14,874,217</u>	 <u>\$ 14,892,970</u>	 <u>\$ 18,753</u>



**TOWN OF WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<b>Budgeted Amounts</b>			<b>Variance With</b>
	<b>Original</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				<b>Over (Under)</b>
Selectmen	\$ 100,915	\$ 99,515	\$ 96,218	\$ (3,297)
Probate court	5,317	5,317	5,167	(150)
Elections/registrars	21,322	21,322	19,667	(1,655)
Accounting services	178,621	179,296	179,294	(2)
Board of finance	3,600	4,092	4,091	(1)
Town treasurer	27,505	27,625	27,620	(5)
Auditor	30,000	30,000	30,000	-
Assessor	80,418	78,118	78,113	(5)
Board of assessment appeals	1,273	1,273	1,273	(0)
Revenue collector	74,260	74,260	71,468	(2,792)
Legal counsel	34,500	54,978	54,973	(5)
Town clerk	92,324	92,324	90,796	(1,528)
Conservation commission	2,000	2,000	1,851	(149)
Planning and zoning	112,289	112,289	111,997	(292)
Zoning board of appeals	4,200	4,200	4,174	(26)
Economic development commission	1,000	460	456	(4)
Inland/wetlands commission	2,950	2,950	2,780	(170)
Town office operations	82,520	82,520	76,635	(5,885)
Town hall operations	7,352	9,652	9,426	(226)
Senior Center operations	24,190	24,190	21,452	(2,738)
Consulting engineers	41,000	27,150	27,115	(35)
Total general government	927,556	933,531	914,566	(18,965)
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
Ambulance grant	270,200	273,224	273,224	-
Fire marshal	22,275	22,275	22,155	(120)
Fire protection	27,997	28,747	28,747	-
Public safety & welfare	27,700	27,700	27,687	(13)
Emergency management director	6,000	6,000	6,000	-
Fire main and hydrant	5,800	5,825	5,824	(1)
Building official	30,210	28,610	28,609	(1)
Total public safety	390,182	392,381	392,246	(135)
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>				
Public works department	848,658	850,128	850,126	(2)
Cemetery	2,000	2,000	2,000	-
Transfer station	283,011	270,375	266,013	(4,362)
Total public works	1,133,669	1,122,503	1,118,139	(4,364)

**TOWN OF WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
EDUCATION				
Elementary education	\$ 2,871,173	\$ 2,382,281	\$ 2,356,516	\$ (25,765)
Special education	1,244,218	1,305,732	1,302,364	(3,368)
Summer school	17,627	17,627	17,851	224
Fringe benefits	1,026,144	781,383	780,342	(1,041)
Contingency				-
Pupil services	348,180	348,420	347,764	(656)
Staff and program development	79,264	117,873	96,014	(21,859)
Educational media	104,852	112,782	111,366	(1,416)
Board of Education	447,627	512,560	496,342	(16,218)
Principal's office	416,199	418,099	415,899	(2,200)
Plant operations	572,069	580,069	531,098	(48,971)
Transportation	466,849	492,849	489,261	(3,588)
Total education	<u>7,594,202</u>	<u>7,069,675</u>	<u>6,944,817</u>	<u>(124,858)</u>
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 19	<u>4,069,388</u>	<u>4,069,389</u>	<u>4,069,389</u>	<u>-</u>
MISCELLANEOUS				
Social security	77,200	77,200	70,940	(6,260)
Unemployment	500	640	637	(3)
Employee health insurance	186,000	191,210	191,208	(2)
Pension fund	39,500	40,015	40,012	(3)
Insurance	80,906	80,406	80,304	(102)
Contingency fund	5,000	5,000	-	(5,000)
Miscellaneous	5,000	2,626	1,696	(930)
Total miscellaneous	<u>394,106</u>	<u>397,097</u>	<u>384,797</u>	<u>(12,300)</u>
DEBT SERVICE				
Principal payments	345,000	345,000	345,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	109,348	109,348	109,348	-
Total debt service	<u>454,348</u>	<u>454,348</u>	<u>454,348</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures	<u>14,963,451</u>	<u>14,438,924</u>	<u>14,278,302</u>	<u>(160,622)</u>

**TOWN OF WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES -**  
**BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS - GENERAL FUND (Concluded)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance With Final Budget Over (Under)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
OTHER FINANCING USES				
Transfers out:				
Reserve for compensated absences	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -
Dog Fund	16,448	16,448	16,448	-
Fire Department Fund	223,909	223,909	223,909	-
Willington Public Library Fund	101,607	101,607	101,607	-
Recreation Commission Fund	36,649	36,649	36,649	-
Willington Youth, Family and Social Services Fund	46,680	46,680	46,680	-
Total other financing uses	<u>435,293</u>	<u>435,293</u>	<u>435,293</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 15,398,744</u>	<u>\$ 14,874,217</u>	<u>\$ 14,713,595</u>	<u>\$ (160,622)</u>

## ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO SERVE YOU

July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

	<u>Term Expires</u>
<u>Board of Selectmen</u>	
Christina B. Mailhos – 1 <sup>st</sup> Selectman	2011
Tyler F. Millix	2011
John Blessington	2011

<u>Board of Education</u>	
Mark Makuch – Chair	2013
Leonardo Mercado	2013
Erika G. Wiecenski	2013
Herbert Arico	2011
Laurie Semprebbon – V.Chair	2011
Barry John Walleit	2011
Mark D. Jones	2011

<u>Board of Finance</u>	
Elizabeth A. Marco	2013
Peter J. Latincsics	2015
Ken Schoppmann-Chair	2011
Alan John Ference	2015
Chopeta C. Lyons	2011
Anne Marie Brown	2013
Richard M. Littell, Alternate	2011
Mark A. Wiggins, Alternate	2011

<u>Board of Assessment Appeals</u>	
Edward C. Taiman Jr. – Chair	2011
Gregory J. Thomson	2011
Carol C. Parizek	2013

<u>Planning and Zoning</u>	
Thomas J. Murphy	2013
Walter E. Parsell III	2015
Edward Myles Standish	2011
Phillip Nevers	2013
John A. Sullivan	2013
Matthew O. Ellis – Chair	2015
George A. Marco	2011
James H. Poole, Alternate	2011
Vacancy, Alternate	
Vacancy, Alternate	

	<u>Term Expires</u>
<u>Library Directors</u>	
Dorothy M. Drobney	2013
Katherine Dawn Kalagher-Ryan	2015
Suzanne Chapman	2013
Pauline K. Enderle	2011
Shirley B. Ernst	2011
Nancy L. Bailey – Chair	2015

<u>Registrars of Voters</u>	
Judith R. Andersen	2011
Nancy L. Vogel	2011

<u>Town Clerk</u>	
Donna J. Hardie	2014

<u>Treasurer</u>	
Patricia J. Ignatowicz	2011

<u>Judge of Probate</u>	
Cheryl Brown	2011

<u>Reg. #19 Board of Education</u>	
Hebert C. Arico	2013
Robert E. Jellen	2011
Timothy Patrick Nolan Sr.	2013
Elizabeth Marina Peczuh	2011

## **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010**

### **Assessor**

Mary Huda

### **Municipal Revenue Collector**

Carol Larson

### **Building Inspector**

Bradford C. Freeman

### **Open Burning Officials**

Richard Palmer

### **Dog Warden**

Richard Claus, Sr.

### **Emergency Mgt. Director**

Stuart Cobb

### **Fire Marshal**

Richard Palmer

### **Recreation Director**

Theresa Gareau

### **Health Officer**

Eastern Highlands Health Dist.

### **Sanitarian**

Eastern Highlands Health Dist.

### **Zoning Agents**

Susan Yorgensen

Gary Jones - Assistant

### **Youth, Family & Social Svcs.**

Tara Martin, Director

## **COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

### **Inland Wetlands & Watercourses**

Ken Metzler – Chair

David Schreiber - V. Chair

Mark Drobney

Teresa Gutowski

Evan Brand

Gregory Blessing, Alternate

Vacancy, Alternate

### **Solid Waste Advisory**

Vacancy

Vacancy

Vacancy

Vacancy

Peter Thomsen

Ann Cilfone, Alternate

Vacancy, Alternate

### **Justice of the Peace**

Vacancy

Cheryl H. Brown

Marion E. Dooling

Ralph R. Parizek

Emily M. Kasacek

Wayne H. Knight

Dave P. Charette

John Patton

Deborah P. Potvin

Robert G. Ryder

Janice B. Vissoe

Arthur A. Forst, Jr.

Kathleen A. Pacholski

Richard Jimmy Sanville

Edward C. Taiman Jr.

### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

Richard J. Maloney Jr.

Mark Masinda - Chair

Annemarie Poole

Brian Semperebon

John Rup

Vacancy, Alternate

William Bland, Alternate

Jerry Lopes, Alternate

**Cemetery Association**

Tyler Millix, Auditor  
John Patton, Treasurer  
Ernie Kucko, Sexton  
Ralph Parizek, Vice President  
Anne Sylvia, Auditor  
Brian Elton, Secretary  
Joseph Philippi, President  
Donald Parizek, Superintendent/Trustee  
Geoff Prusak, Trustee  
Emil R. Kalbac, Trustee

**Conservation Commission**

Peter S. Andersen – Chair  
Carol M. Jordan - Treasurer  
Mark Drobney  
Robert Shabot  
Marilyn Schreiber  
Paul Pribula  
Kathleen Demers  
Evan Brand, Alternate  
Lisa Centola, Alternate  
Robert Bloom, Alternate

**Willington Senior Center**

Charles Wiggins, President  
Wilbur Gangaway, 1st V. Pres  
Mary Ann Kouyoumjian 2<sup>nd</sup> V.Pres  
Jean LaFramboise, Secretary  
Yvette Dionne, Asst. Sec.  
Joseph Piarek, Treasurer  
Betty Robertson, Asst. Treas

**Housing Authority**

Robert Campbell - Chair  
Wilbur Gangaway - V. Chair  
Claudia D'Agata  
Laurel Millix  
Donald R. Berg

**Economic Dev. Commission**

Kim Kowalyshyn  
Marc A. Jeffreys  
James H. Poole  
David P.Charette  
Walter Parsell  
Jackie Silverstein – Alternate  
Vacany-Alternate

**Historic District Commission**

Rosa Helena Chinchilla - Chair  
William Bailey  
Mary Beth Caron  
Laurie Masciandaro  
Robert R. Shabot  
Marc A. Jeffreys, Alternate  
Timothy Blauvelt, Alternate

**Town Historian - Vacancy**

**Historical Society**

Robert Shabot - President  
Paul Weigold - V. President  
Catherine Lynch - Secretary  
Sue Schur - Treasurer

**Parks & Recreation Commission**

Josh Walsh  
Gregory Suchy  
Joseph Colangelo, Chair  
William Bilyak  
Michael Pinatti  
Alan Ference  
Michael Kozyra