

OCTOBER

THE GREENWICH PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION HEARD PRELIMINARY PLANS FOR A NEW CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL, AS WELL AS DEMOLITION OF GREENWICH WOODS SKILLED NURSING FACILITY ON KING STREET, TO BE REPLACED BY 215 UNITS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. DIRECTOR OF P AND Z PAT LA ROW (MORNING NEWS CENTER OCT 2 0730-0740)

GREENWICH SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN JOE KELLY SAYS THE BOARD AFFIRMED THEIR INTENTION TO RENOVATE, NOT RE-BUILD OLD GREENWICH SCHOOL. SOME MEMBERS OF THE FISCAL BOARD HAVE CALLED FOR A NEW SCHOOL AS A MORE COST EFFECTIVE OPTION (MORNING NEWS CENTER OCTOBER 6 0830-0840)

GREENWICH IS USING FUNDING FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN TO FUND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AT PEMBERWICK PARK, WHO HAS BEEN THE SITE OF MUCH FLOODING FROM THE BYRAM RIVER. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT KEN BORSUK (ASK THE FIRST SELECTMAN SHOW OCT. 6 0900-0930)

THE TOWN OF GREENWICH IS HOLDING FOUR FLU CLINICS DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER. GREENWICH EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TRACEY SCHIETINGER IS URGING EVERYONE TO ROLL UP THEIR SLEEVES (OCTOBER 9 0900-0930)

CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN TONY TURNER IS IMPLORING TOWN BODIES TO TAKE ACTION TO MOVE THE PROJECT FORWARD, OR RISK LOSING STATE RE-IMBURSEMENT MONEY (MORNING NEWS CENTER OCTOBER 12)

A 4TH INVESTIGATION INTO GREENWICH SCHOOL DISTRICT HIRING PRACTICES FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF HIRING BIAS. THIS CAME AFTER ANTI-CATHOLIC, ANTI-CONSERVATIVE AND ANTI-AGING COMMENTS FROM NOW FORMER COS COB SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL JEREMY BOLAND (MORNING NEWS CENTER OCTOBER 13)

REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS ON THE GREENWICH BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION BATTLED OVER FUNDING FOR THE CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL. BUDGET COMMITTEE CHAIR LESLIE TARTINGTON SAYS IT'S PREMATURE TO FUND THE PROJECT UNTIL IT'S GRANTED 'MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT STATUS' (OCT. 13 0830-0840)

GREENWICH SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN JOE KELLY, WHO IS NOT RUNNING FOR RE-ELECTION, SAYS HE'S PROUD OF THE WORK HE'S DONE IN THE PAST YEAR (OCTOBER 19 0830-0840)

THE GREENWICH PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION GAVE UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT FOR THE NEW CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL. DIRECTOR OF P AND Z PAT LA ROW (OCT. 20 0730-0740)

THE GREENWICH REAL ESTATE MARKET CONTINUE TO SLOW IN SEPTEMBER, WITH 43 RESIDENTIAL CLOSINGS, COMPARED TO 56 LAST YEAR (REAL ESTATE REPORT OCTOBER 20 0820-0830)

NO VOTE WAS TAKEN BY THE GREENWICH REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING ON A SUMMERTIME BAN ON GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS. IT WAS PUT OFF TO THE DECEMBER 11TH MEETING (MEETING COVERAGE OCT. 23)

GREENWICH B-E-T CHAIRMAN DAN OZIZMIR SAYS THE BI-PARTISAN VOTE TO APPROVE 42 MILLION DOLLARS FOR A NEW CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL SENDS A STRONG MESSAGE OF SUPPORT (OCTOBER 25 0730-0740)

THE GREENWICH RTM AT A SPECIAL MEETING OVERWHELMINGLY FOR 42 MILLION DOLLARS FOR CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL. RTM MODERATOR ALEXIS VOULGARIS (OCTOBER 30 0720-0730)

NOVEMBER

STATE REPRESENTATIVE RACHEL KHANNA OF GREENWICH SAYS THE RTM VOTE TO FUND CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL ALLOW SHE AND HER LEGISLATIVE COLLEAGUES TO PURSUE RE-IMBURSEMENT FUNDING (NOVEMBER 2 0750-0800)

GREENWICH SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOL DR. TONI JONES DELIVERED HER BUDGET TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. IT RAISES SPENDING 6.5-PERCENT. SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN JOE KELLY SAYS THE B-E-T HAS YET TO ISSUE BUDGET GUIDELINES (NOVEMBER 3 (0830-0840)

GREENWICH POLICE CHIEF JAMES HEAVEY SAYS THEY'RE BEING MORE VIGILANT IN LIGHT OF NUMEROUS CASES OF SWASTIKAS AT A NUMBER OF LOCATIONS IN FAIRFIELD COUNTY (NOVEMBER 6 0900-0930)

GREENWICH REPUBLICANS RULED ON ELECTION DAY, AS FIRST SELECTMAN FRED CAMILLO ROMPED TO VICTORY, AND REPUBLICANS MAINTAINED CONTROL OF THE B-E-T, TOWN CLERK, AND TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICES (ELECTION COVERAGE NOVEMBER 7-8)

THE ROUND HILL ASSOCIATION CONDUCTED A TRAFFIC STUDY FOR BACKCOUNTRY GREENWICH AND BROUGHT THE RESULTS TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN (MEETING COVERAGE NOVEMBER 10)

LEAF COLLECTION IN GREENWICH BEGAN NOVEMBER 6 AND AS USUAL WILL HAVE TWO SWEEP

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THROUGHS OF THE TOWN, HOPEFULLY CONCLUDED BEFORE THE SNOW FLIES. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT KEN BORSUK (ASK THE FIRST SELECTMAN SHOW NOVEMBER 10 0900-0930)
THE GREENWICH BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION APPROVED 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS TO REPLACE THE GEO-THERMAL HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEM AT 15-YEAR OLD HAMILTON AVENUE SCHOOL. B-E-T CHAIRMAN DAN OZIZMIR SAYS THE SYSTEM HASN'T REALLY WORKED WELL SINCE IT WAS INSTALLED (NOVEMBER 17 0730-0740)

DECEMBER

GREENWICH SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS DR. TONI JONES COMMENTED ON THE BUDGET GUIDELINES, RELEASED BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND TAXATION A MONTH AFTER SHE DELIVERED HER BUDGET WITH A 6.5-PERCENT INCREASE, ABOVE THE GUIDELINES OF 4.3 PERCENT (FOCUS ON EDUCATION, DEC. 1 0830-0900)

FOR THE SECOND TIME IN RECENT HISTORY, THE GREENWICH BOARD OF EDUCATION DEADLOCKED ALONG PARTY LINES ON ELECTING A NEW CHAIRMAN. FORMER BOARD OF ED CHAIR KATHLEEN STOWE (MORNING NEWS CENTER DEC. 2 0830-0840)

GREENWICH TREE WARDEN DR. GREGORY KRAMER RULED THAT 176 TREES WILL BE REMOVED AT THE SITE OF THE WESTERN MIDDLE SCHOOL FIELD CLEANUP (MORNING NEWS CENTER DEC. 5)

GREENWICH FIRST SELECTMAN FRED CAMILLO CALLED ON BOARD OF HEALTH CHAIRMAN JOEL MUHLBAUM TO RESIGN AFTER THE BOARD WITHDREW FROM OVERSIGHT OF GREENWICH'S NOISE ORDINANCE, INCLUDING ON LEAF BLOWERS. SELECTWOMAN LAUREN RABIN (ASK THE FIRST SELECTMAN SHOW DEC. 9 0900-0930)

THE GREENWICH REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING POSTPONED A VOTE ON ALLOCATING 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE HVAC SYSTEM AT HAMILTON AVENUE SCHOOL. RTM MODERATOR PRO-TEM KATHERINE LO BALBO (MORNING NEWS CENTER DEC. 12 0750-0800)

THE GREENWICH BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPROVED THE PARKS AND RECREATION FEES FOR 2024. (BOARD OF SELECTMEN COVERAGE DEC. 14)

THE TOWN OF GREENWICH WILL RECEIVE 400,000 DOLLARS FROM THE U-S DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ''SAFE ROADS''. 4TH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN JIM HIMES OF GREENWICH AMONG THOSE MAKING THE ANNOUNCEMENT (MORNING NEWS CENTER INTERVIEW DEC. 22 0720-0730)

LEAF COLLECTION IN GREENWICH WAS COMPLETED BEFORE THE FIRST SNOW. FIRST SELECTMAN FRED CAMILLO SAID THOSE WHO DIDN'T GET THEIR LEAVES OUT IN TIME CAN STILL BRING THEM TO THE HOLLY HILL RECYCLING CENTER (MORNING NEWS CENTER DEC. 27)

GREENWICH HOSPITAL'S LAWSUIT AGAINST THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OVER THEIR EXPANDED CANCER CARE CENTER WAS REJECTED BY A STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE. P AND Z HAD REJECTED THE PLANS AS BEING TOO LARGE AND NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD (MORNING NEWS CENTER DEC. 29)