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TO: Town Council
FROM: Sean M. Kimball, Town Manager
SUBJECT: Town Manager's Report – March 2025
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New Online Vital Records Portal

The Town Clerk's Office launched a new online vital records request portal through Permitium as of March 7th. A link has been added to the Vital Records Town Clerk page to bring customers to the portal where they can order and pay online: <https://cheshirectvitals.permitium.com/rod> for birth, marriage, and death certificates. The \$7 fee goes to Permitium and in exchange, residents do not have to pay an annual fee for a service they may never need. We are excited to see that many residents have already taken advantage of this!

Planning & Development

FHI Studio has been engaged to perform planning and engineering services for the Multi-Modal Transportation plan. Meetings will be scheduled at a future date.

Park & Recreation Happenings

The Leprechauns have arrived in Cheshire! This year's Leprechaun Hunt encourages families to take pictures with a minimum of 4 felt leprechauns that are hidden in Bartlem, Cheshire, and Mixville Parks. There will be a live leprechaun in one of the parks 2-3pm on 3/14 so keep your eyes out. Bring the pictures to Cheshire Parks and Rec during normal business hours for your bag of gold!

With CPS Spring Break approaching, there are some great events being offered by the Cheshire Parks & Recreation that are sure to fill up!

- April 12th - Cheshire Lions Easter Egg Hunt
- April 15th - Steve Horvath Fishing Derby at Mixville Park
- April 16th - Mixville Muck Run
- April 17th - Touch a Truck – Bartlem Park
- April 17th – Gentle Easter Egg Hunt – Bartlem Park

For more information please visit www.cheshirect.myrec.com or the Park and Rec Facebook page.

Chesprocott Health Updates/Events

March is National Nutrition Month! – The Chesprocott Health District is hosting a nutrition talk on March 25th at the Cheshire Public Library at 4:30pm and a Grocery Store tour on April 1st at the Cheshire Stop & Shop at 4:30pm. Register to join these events by calling Chesprocott at 203-439-0720.

Elderly and 100% Disabled Tax Credit Application Period

The filing period for the Elderly (65+) / 100% Disabled Tax relief for homeowners runs from **February 1st to May 15th**. Income thresholds and credit amounts are available on the Town website at <https://www.cheshirect.org/185/Tax-Relief-Programs>. For more information, please visit the website or contact the Assessor's Office at 203-271-6620.

Cheshire Public Library

The Youth Services Department of the Cheshire Public Library won the Cheshire Public Schools School Partnership Award and has been asked to attend the next Board of Education meeting on March 20th. One of our children's librarians, Stori Anne Neesingham was nominated to receive this award. Congratulations to our wonderful Youth Services librarians!

Cheshire Senior Center

A Community Health Fair & Blood Drive will be held at the Cheshire Senior Center on Thursday, March 13th. The Health Fair will feature various community health related vendors including Hartford Health Care, Elim Park and the YMCA. The Blood Drive runs from 1-6pm and the health fair from 1-4:00pm.

Chamber of Commerce Home, Health & Garden Show

Cheshire Chamber of Commerce's, Home Health & Garden Show is scheduled for March 29th at Cheshire High School from 8:30am – 2:00pm with the favorite Kiwanis Breakfast running from 8-11am. Come for this spring kickoff event for food, fun, prizes, crafts, demos and interactive displays!

New Emergency Operations Center at Town Hall

Olympic Construction of New Haven is into the construction phase for the New Emergency Operations Center at Town Hall. Demolition is complete and steel studs are being installed.



Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Town Council Ordinance Review Committee

Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 7:30 p.m., Room 207/209

Town Council Regular Meeting

Thursday, April 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Town Council Chambers

Budget Workshop Schedule

- **Town Council Public Hearing on Proposed Operating Budget**
Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers
Budget presentations: Board of Education
- **Budget Workshop**
Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m., Cheshire Fire Department, 250 Maple Ave.
Budget presentations: Fire, Civil Preparedness, Police & Animal Control
- **Budget Workshop**
Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m., Wastewater Treatment Plant Conference Room, 1325 Cheshire St.
Budget presentations: Public Works (Public Property), Engineering, Water Pollution Control
- **Budget Workshop**
Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m., Room 207
Budget presentations: Finance (Debt Service, CNR, Revenues), Information Technology
- **Budget Workshop**
Thursday, April 3, 6:30 p.m., Mary Baldwin Room, Cheshire Public Library, 104 Main St.
Budget presentations: Human Services, Library, Employee Benefits
- **Budget Workshop**
Thursday, April 10, 6:30 p.m., ArtsPlace, 493 W Main St.
Budget presentations: Recreation (Pool, ArtsPlace)
- **Budget Workshop**
Tuesday, April 22, 6:30 p.m., Council Chambers
Public Information Session and Budget Deliberations
- **Budget Workshop**
Thursday, April 24, 6:30 p.m., Council Chambers
Budget Adoption