

# **City of Derby**

# **Department Head Reports**

# February 2024

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# DERBY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

#### 35 Fifth Street

#### **Derby, Connecticut 06418**

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Dr. Matthew Conway, Jr. Superintendent of Schools

#### March 2024

#### **Academics**

- Held Administrative Council Meeting
- Attended CAPSS Board of Directors Meeting
- Held weekly meeting Director of Teaching and Learning
- Held monthly meeting with Special Education Supervisors
- Held Academic and Curriculum Committee
- Attended meeting of Office of Early Childhood Education
- Attended Aspiring Educators Panel
- Attended Affinity Science of Reading Session

#### **Human Capital**

- Visited All Schools
- Held Administrative Council Meeting
- Participated in PDEC Meeting
- Attended Superintendent Network Meeting
- Met with Derby Educator Association Officers
- Attended Negotiations and Personnel Committee
- Held Principal meeting with SERC on TEVAL

#### **Operations**

- Attended Monthly Department Head Meeting with Mayor
- Held Weekly Business Manager meetings
- Held a Public Excess Cost Workshop with State Leaders
- Attended Committee of the Whole Meeting
- Attended Finance Committee Meeting
- Attended Athletic Committee Meeting
- Attended Board of Education Meeting
- Presented the FY25 Budget to the Board of Apportionment & Taxation
- Attended School/Community Relations and Policy Committee
- Testified at Appropriations Public Hearing Regarding Elementary and Secondary Education Agencies

- Meeting with Security Consultant
- Attended MFAC Meeting

#### Culture/Climate

- Attended CAPSS Executive Board meetings and BOD meetings
- Chaired CAPSS Legislative Committee Meeting
- Attended SCASA Meeting
- Attended Superintendent Network Site Visit
- Attended Valley Community Foundation 20<sup>th</sup> Celebration
- Attended CAPSS Student Awards Banquet
- Attended Albarella Football Banquet

#### **Athletics**

#### **Football**

• Gabe Wyszkowski was accepted as a Scholar-Athlete for the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Casey-O'Brien New Haven County Chapter. The banquet will be in April

#### **Indoor Track**

- Indoor Track & Field State Championship Meet Results:
  - Medal Winners were:
    - (1st) Byron McLean, State Champion, 55M Hurdles
    - (4th) Byron McLean, Jaylen Titus, Joel Capelle & Quincy Carter in the (SMR) Split Medley Relay
    - (5th) C.J. Rouse in Shot Put
- Indoor Track & Field State Open Championship Meet Results:
  - Medal Winners were:
    - (1st) Byron McLean, State Open Champion, 55M Hurdles
- Byron McLean will now compete at the New England Championships on March 2nd in Boston and the Nike National Championships in NYC on March 9th & 10th

#### **Unified Sports**

• DHS Unified Sports are scheduled to play in the NVL Basketball Tournament on 3/7 at Torrington HS. We will extend our winter season if we are chosen to play at Mohegan Sun during the CIAC Playoff game. We are looking forward to flag football, volleyball, kickball and the league picnic this spring. We completed the CIAC Mountains to Inclusion Challenge and we climbed Mt. Rainer. The CIAC sent the student athletes and their buddies fidget spinners to award their effort

• DMS Unified Sports have begun. They recently attended a Basketball Tournament at Wilcox Tech on 2/27. We will be hosting a Volleyball Tournament at DMS on 5/17

#### Wrestling

- Wrestling hosted the Berkshire League Tournament on 2/10: Medal Winners were:
  - (1st) Anthony Shivas (HC) Champion 285 lbs and he was named the Tournament Most Outstanding Wrestler by the league coaches
  - (2nd) OT Brown 138 lbs; Nate Wolyniec (OX) 144 lbs; Savion Gaywood 190 lbs;
     Ben Iannantuoni (HC) 215 lbs
  - (3rd) Gabe Wyszkowski 150 lbs; Britain Calvert (Sey) 132 lbs
  - (4th) Sophie Mraz 106 lbs; Brandon Kecko (OX) 175 lbs
- Wrestling competed at State Championships on 2/16 & 2/17

Medal Winners were:

- (1st) Anthony Shivas (HC), State Champion 285 lbs
- (3rd) Nate Wolyniec (OX) 144 lbs
- Wrestling competed at State Open Championships and Girls State Championships on 2/23 & 2/24

Medal Winners were:

• (2nd) Anthony Shivas (HC) 285 lbs, State Open Runner-up Anthony will now compete at New England Championships in Providence, RI on 3/1 & 3/2

#### Girls Basketball

 Congratulations to Freshman Shea Gray on earning 2nd Team All-NVL honors for girls basketball

#### **Boys Basketball**

• Completed the Season with 4 Wins

#### Baseball

• Team has been chosen to play at Dunkin Donuts Park again this year. We will be playing Naugatuck on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Running Clubs**

• Bradley and Irving School running clubs will start back up on April 1, 2024 for the Spring

#### **Update:**

• All Spring Coaching positions are filled and DHS will begin pitchers and catchers on 3/9 and practices on 3/16. DMS will begin practices on 4/1

- Celebrated with our football team and cheerleaders on 2/25 at the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Albarella Banquet at the A.M. Club
- Celebrated the Cross Country team banquet at Much Eatery on 2/25 and celebrated winning seasons for both the girls and the boys

#### For Information on School Events:

Little Raiders University: <a href="https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/little-raiders-university#h.gi07dzf6p0r7">https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/little-raiders-university#h.gi07dzf6p0r7</a>

March: Women's History Month

- 3/13 Early Dismissal for Parent Conferences
- 3/18 St. Patrick's Day Party

Bradley School: https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/bradley-school#h.fc3zn7up45xr

March: Women's History Month

- 3/4 Read Across America Week Begins
- 3/13 PTA meeting
- 3/27 All City Chorus and Art Show

Irving School: <a href="https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/irving-school#h.3sgf6fd5kmc7">https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/irving-school#h.3sgf6fd5kmc7</a>

March: Women's History Month

- 3/4 Read Across America Week Begins
- 3/6 McTeacher Night, McDonalds on Rt. 34
- 3/27 All City Chorus and Art Show

**Derby Middle School:** <u>https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/derby-middle-school#h.z4nyo2f9doub</u>

March: Women's History Month

- 3/3 Best Buddies Ball @ Aqua Turf
- 3/6 Early Dismissal Day for Students Staff Professional Development
- 3/7 CAS/Derby Leadership Academy
- 3/14 PTA meeting
- 3/21 CT State Department of Education Visit to Derby Middle School as part of Commissioners Network
- 3/27 All City Choir Concert

# $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Derby High School:} \ \underline{https://www.derbypride.org/our-schools/derby-high-school\#h.edwh8wnag2na} \end{array}$

March: Women's History Month

- 3/8 & 3/9 Aladdin the Musical
- 3/12 Baseball Fundraiser at Copper City
- 3/13 Spring Concert
- 3/27 All City Choir Concert

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# CITY of DERBY, CT Permit Receipts Report for (ALL FISCAL YEARS) Receipt Date Range 02/01/2024 - 02/29/2024 (All Payments)

<b>Building Permit Receipts</b>	Bui	lding	Permit	Receipts
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Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-21B	02/01/24	162.08	150393959	6 COTTAGE ST	7,177.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	2.08	10.00	115.00
24-19в	02/01/24	818.26	150387135	6 LAKEVIEW TERR	50,946.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	13.26	10.00	760.00
24-20в	02/01/24	589.36	150398169	73 HIGH ST	36,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	9.36	10.00	535.00
24 <b>-</b> 228	02/04/24	116.30	150579297	434 NEW HAVEN AVE	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	10.00	70.00
24-23B	02/06/24	101.04	150694866	82 ORANGEWOOD WEST	3,375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.04	10.00	55.00
24-24B	02/14/24	116.30	151180888	434 NEW HAVEN AVE	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	10.00	70.00
24-25B	02/16/24	253.64	151295078	222 EMMETT AVE	13,891,00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	3.64	10.00	205.00
Draft	02/26/24	268.90	151791099	530 NEW HAVEN AVE	14,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	3.90	10.00	220.00
24-27B	02/28/24	192.60	151926826	124 HAWKINS ST	9,968.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	2.60	10.00	145.00
24-28B	02/28/24	131.56	151964141	57 DERBYSHIRE	5.545.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.56	10.00	85.00
24-29в	02/29/24	1,260.80	3116	17 CRESCENT ST	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	20.80	10.00	1,195.00
24-26в	02/29/24	650.40	8490	36 WATER ST	40,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	10.40	10.00	595.00
Subtota		4,661.24		_		0.00	0.00	0.00	420.00	0,00	0.00	71.24	120.00	4.050.00
•	# of Permi: # of Voids		Cost of	Construction:	271,702.00									,

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#### Certificate of Zoning Compliance Receipts

Permit Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-1czc 02/22/24	50.00	1021	136 PLEASANT VIEW RD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	40.00
Subtotals Unique # of Permit Unique # of Voids		Cost o	f Construction:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	40.00

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Electrical Permit Receipts

Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-11E	02/02/24	85.78	150463201	8 KINDLE LANE	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0,00	0.00	0.78	10.00	40.00
Draft	02/05/24	116.30	150594548	159 DERBY AVE	4,750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	10.00	70.00
24-12E	02/06/24	85.78	150662908	136 PLEASANT VIEW RD	2,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.78	10.00	40.00
24-13E	02/06/24	299.42	150705904	6 COTTAGE ST	17,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	4.42	10.00	250.00
24-14E	02/12/24	70.52	150967818	65 ELIZABETH ST	2,000,00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.52	10.00	25.00
24-16E	02/12/24	70.52	150970184	65 ELIZABETH ST	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.52	10.00	25.00
24-17E	02/13/24	85.78	151047151	14 JEANETTI DR	2,550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.78	10.00	40.00
24-15E	02/15/24	101.04	151193741	25 BELLEVIEW DR	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.04	10.00	55.00
24-18E	02/20/24 2	1,130.62	151485555	67 MINERVA ST	137,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	35.62	10.00	2,050.00
24-19E	02/22/2410	,416.80	1091	67 MINERVA ST	680,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	176.80	10.00	10,195.00
24-24E	02/22/24	70.52	151657876	28 ACADEMY HILL RD	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.52	10.00	25.00
24-20E	02/23/24	574.10	151666870	115 ROOSEVELT DR	35,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	9.10	10.00	520.00
24-21E	02/26/24	192.60	151808737	12 DIVISION ST	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	2.60	10.00	145.00
24-22E	02/26/24	55.26	151828926	208 ORANGEWOOD EAST	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.26	10.00	10.00
24-23E	02/26/24	101.04	151834679	59 COTTAGE ST	3,903.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.04	10.00	55.00
Draft	02/28/24	574.10	151943083	17 CRESCENT ST	35,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	9.10	10.00	520.00
Subtota	ls 15 # of Permit	,030.18		Construction:	940.953.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	560.00	0.00	0.00	245.18	160.00	14,065.00

Unique # of Permits: 16
Unique # of Voids (\*): 0

Cost of Construction:

940,953.00

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#### Gas Permit Receipts

Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-4G 24-5G	02/21/24 02/23/24	55.26 55.26	151539112 151672651		1,000.00 350.00	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	35.00 35.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	0.26 0.26	10.00 10.00	10.00 10.00
	ls # of Permi # of Voids		Cost of	F Construction:	1,350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,00	0.00	0.00	0.52	20.00	20.00

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#### Inland Wetlands Planning Zoning Form Receipts

Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-1IWPZ( 24-2IWPZ(		150.00 150.00		90 PERSHING DR 18 OLIVIA ST	0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00	10.00 10.00	140.00 140.00
Subtotals Unique # Unique #	of Permi		Cost o	of Construction:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	280.00

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Mechanical Permit Receipts

Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-5M	02/01/24	268.90	1076	115 HAWKINS ST	15,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	3.90	10.00	220.00
24-7M	02/04/24	192.60	150578272	434 NEW HAVEN AVE	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	2.60	10.00	145.00
24-6M	02/06/24	192.60	150668743	223 ORANGEWOOD EAST	9,750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	2.60	10.00	145.00
Draft	02/06/24	345.20	150677522	130 DIVISION ST	20,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	5.20	10.00	295.00
24-9M	02/13/24	421.50	151044849	14 JEANETTI DR	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	6.50	10.00	370.00
24-8M	02/22/2415	,300.00	286	67 MINERVA ST	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	260.00	10.00	14,995.00
Draft	02/27/24	101.04	151897480	186 HAROLD AVE	3,595.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.04	10.00	55.00
24-10M	02/28/24	131.56	151942444	236 MARSHALL LANE	5,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.56	10.00	85.00
Subtota		,953.40				0.00	0.00	0.00	280.00	0.00	0.00	283,40	80.00	16,310.00
	# of Permit # of Voids		Cost of	Construction:	1,089,145.00									,

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#### Plumbing Permit Receipts

Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
Draft	02/01/24				500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.26	10.00	10.00
24-5P	02/04/24		150578802		5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	10.00	70.00
24-7P	02/13/24		151045594	14 JEANETTI DR	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.78	10.00	40.00
24-8P	02/22/2413	3,ULT.00	19/86	67 MINERVA ST	850,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	221.00	10.00	12,745.00
Subtota Unique	ls 13 # of Permit	3,268.34 ts: 4	Cost of	Construction:	858,000,00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	223.34	40.00	12,865.00

Unique # of Voids (\*): 0

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#### Solar Permit Receipts

Permit	Date	Paid	Trans #	Location	Est Cost	Refund	Radon	Roadcut	Cert	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
24-350L	02/02/24	608.84	150462036	25 LAUREL AVE	34,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	8.84	10.00	555.00
24-250L	02/07/24	578.32	150743032	83 HAROLD AVE	32,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	8.32	10.00	525.00
24-4SOL	02/20/24	807.22	151459466	256 SILVER HILL RD	46,980.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	12.22	10.00	750.00
24-6SOL	02/27/24	944.56	151890604	21 GRANDVIEW BLVD	56,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	14.56	10.00	885.00
24-5SOL	02/28/24	410.46	151928302	69 MOHAWK AVE	20,160.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	5.46	10.00	360.00
Subtota	_	3,349.40				0.00	0.00	0.00	175.00	0.00	0,00	49.40	50.00	3,075,00
Unique #	f of Permi	ts: 5	Cost of	Construction:	189,140.00				_, _, _,	3100	3.00	15170	30.00	ان, د ۱۰, د

Unique # of Voids (\*): 0

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Grand Total Receipts

Permit Type	Qty	Amt Paid	Est Cost	Refunds	Radon	Roadcut	CertFee	COFee	Zoning	State	Point	TownFee
Building Permit	12	4,661.24	271,702.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	420.00	0.00	0.00	71,24	120.00	4,050.00
Certificate of Zoning	1	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	4,030.00
Electrical Permit	16	15,030.18	940,953.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	560.00	0.00	0.00	245.18	160.00	14,065.00
Gas Permit	2	110.52	1,350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.52	20.00	20.00
Inland Wetlands Planni	2	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	280.00
Mechanical Permit		16,953.40	1,089,145.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	280.00	0.00	0.00	283.40	80.00	16,310.00
Plumbing Permit	4	13,268.34	858,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140.00	0.00	0.00	223.34	40.00	12,865.00
Solar Permit	5	3,349.40	189,140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	175.00	0.00	0.00	49.40	50.00	3,075.00
Grand Totals Grand # Voids	50 0	53,723.08	3,350,290.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,645.00	0.00	0.00	873.08	500.00	50,705.00

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#### **Marc Garofalo**

From:

Linda Fusco

Sent:

Thursday, February 29, 2024 6:00 PM

To:

Amy Pettnicchi; Arthur Newberg; David Chevarella; George Kurtyka; Jessica Barrios-

Perez; Robert Hyder; Robin Falcioni-Smith; Ronald Sill; Sarah Widomski

Cc:

Mayor Joseph DiMartino; Marc Garofalo

Subject:

Motion Detector Security Lights at the Underpass on the Greenway Trail.

Good afternoon, folks,

In the spirit of transparency, I'm advising you that the Mayor authorized a payment of \$3984.16 (materials and installation) to be used for the purchase of 3 double headed LED motion sensor lights to be placed at the underpass on the greenway. This is the area in which many walkers feel most vulnerable and was the site of a serious incident. The contractor negotiated with DOT to use one of its electrical poles at an estimated cost of roughly \$10 a year. We were able to find unused money in DPW's Decorative Lighting line item and received permission from Mike Piscioneri to use the money. Decorative lightening is a part of the Rt #34 widening project.

Best, Línda Fusco City of Derby 1 Elizabeth Street Derby, CT 06418 203-736-1450, ext. 1257



# The Derby Cultural Commision March 1st, 2024 Report Susan Lanzaro-Schroeder, Acting Chair/lan Schroeder, Acting Treasurer

#### **Appointments to the Cultural Commission**

We recommend appointment of the following loyal Volunteers. (Currently 5 positions remain unfilled) as follows:

Elizabeth Bolamewski Mae Ealey Susan Toth Gloria Luneau

#### 350 Birthday Planning Team

Fielding Inquires as to the next Exciting Meeting. We have not met since November 2023 in which an entire 2025 schedule of events were set and those event chairs had stepped up.

#### Art

Rescheduled "Mural" Presentation by Cultural, Rise Up and Derby Middle Schools to Alders, for March 14th.

We donated Renaissance Period Art for Derby High School, Italian Club, Fundraiser Art/Dining Event and personally delivered to them. We hope to attend the Dinner for March 4th.

#### Beautification

No plans till late Spring for perennial flowers to be planted in the new flower bed at Irving School. This should be at no charge as we seek donations from local businesses.

#### **Black History Month**

Derby Cultural Commission Facebook Page Followers enjoyed our yearly Featuring: "Derby's Black Entrepreneurs. Please see our Facebook Page to learn more.

#### <u>Downtown Merchant Association, Proposal</u>

Sorry to hear we may be losing River Rock Tavern. Lending support to our Merchants is so vital. As in "More Than Hair." who expresses recent business loss with traffic situations and that frustration. We do our best to weekly feature on social media, each and every restaurant or business as we have followers throughout the Valley up to Waterbury and south to Stamford.



But more can be done working together; and, we hope at some point a Downtown Merchant Association becomes reality.

#### Flag Raisings

We have been in dialogue with Mulkerin School of Irish Dance, who yearly perform for St. Patrick's Day - IRISH Flag Raising at City Hall! TBD. This is also live streamed with some classes of Derby Public Schools. The cost of that is ~\$200.00. Awaiting Word.

#### **Finance**

No action. Account remains the same at about \$1000.00

#### **July 4th Patriotic Essay Contest Awards Event**

Thus far, through agreement with Catholic War Veterans, we have tentatively secured Jack Walsh to be our Filmer at no charge.

#### **Meetings/Minutes**

No Action

#### **Seasonal Events**

Easter Event on Derby Green~ We have reached out to other Departments to see if they would like to co-sponsor with us. This is something we've enjoyed together as of the last two years. This cost is roughly \$150.00.

Derby Day ~ We are fielding inquiries from both Vendors and the general public. No Date Set.

#### Social Media:

We enjoyed 1600 Post Engagements and 13 new Followers.

#### **Summer Concert Series:**

We are fielding inquiries from Bands. No Action.

Note: Concert Costs for 8 - 12 Concerts fees can be up to \$10K which is our entire annual budget allotment. Other Income is not fixed: such as Derby Day Vendor Fees AND business donations.

#### On A Side Note for Police Regarding July Fireworks & Vendor Fees:

The Cultural Commission would like to collect Vendor Fees for this event as we fund the Band. We see several Vendors who set-up and who by-pass fees; and, yet, we run this event.

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#### **Tourism**

We were contacted by the Valley Independent Sentinel regarding the Derby Greenway's upcoming installation of Solar Safety Lighting and our part in the 2019 Petition Drive, asking for our comments. This is fabulous news as the Trail sees ~100,000 visitors each year; and, also O'Sullivan Island is thriving with fishing and boating.

This concludes the March 2024 Report; and, thank you for this opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Lanzaro-Schroeder Acting Chair Derby Cultural Commission (203) 633-3623 suelschroeder@gmail.com



## Derby Economic Development Project update report

#### March 2024

#### **ACTIVE PROJECTS**

### Main Street South site Re-Use/development project:

- Route 34 Main Street widening progressing on plan (Luchs Engineering providing project management)
- Developers, Steve and Jim LePore have sued Baretta over breach of contract for the redevelopment of 23 Factory St.
- Status of Relocation & remediation of scrap metal business unknown, now in executive session of BoAA

### **Trolley Pointe Development (90 Main Street)**

- Exterior construction largely complete, windows being installed, interior finishing work underway.
- Prospective tenant includes CT International Trade Center
- Occupancy expected September 2024.

# Cedar Village (67-71 Minerva Street) redevelopment

 Exterior construction mostly completed of 95 apartments with 10% Affordable Housing. Cedar village & Brennan Developers are exploring further housing project on Summit St/Telescope Mtn in Derby.

# O'Sullivan's Island Recreational area/Derby Greenway

 Invited electrical contractor to quote installation of 3 double, swivel LED spot lights, motion activated and powered from DOT power source. DOT have given approval to improve safety under the overpass for users of Derby Greenway.

# **Derby Parking Garage - stabilization and restoration**

• Further upgrading of LED lighting and surveillance system completed, some repairs made Free of Charge by DFG Electric.



• Exploratory conversation with both Capasso & Sons and LAZ Management on future options for Parking Garage.

#### Expansion of Derby Landfill (1.5MW-4.0 MW) ground based Solar System

- BoAA Property & Development subcommittee, voted not to recommend this 'no cost' project to BoAA.
- Missing the February 2024 auction date means we have missed the opportunity for revenue from the landfill of 25 years of lease payments @ \$50,000/ per year, and \$9M that BQEnergy would have invested in local construction contracts.

#### **EXPLORATORY PROJECTS:**

- CT Main Street Center (CMSC) conducted Downtown Derby Program assessment, draft report and recommendations presented for a collaborative project. CIF-5 \$150,000 grant application being actively explored with CMSC for submission in April. A City of Derby 10% match approval would likely be required.
- Discussions initiated by GCA for potential development of City of Derby owned land (40 acres) on Fountain Lake for prospective commercial locations, which could include a Data center using cost effective renewable energy options, including solar dishes.

## Other active developments include:

- Cabinet and sign maker (Connecticut Custom Woodwork LLC relocating from Milford) relocating to a 12,000 SF facility on Roosevelt Drive
- Electriq Power's (EP) presented its Sustainable Community
   Network (SCN) energy cost saving energy proposal to BoAA

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- Property & Development subcommittee, which voted (without recommendation) to forward to regular March 14 BoAA meeting.
- EP propose to invest some \$16M in Derby to provide, at no cost to participating residents and/or small businesses, an integrated electrical micro grid, comprising roof top solar panels and EP manufactured storage batteries. Estimated profit sharing for the City \$1.3M, and for the community \$5.2M at 6% participation.
- We have had discussions with the Realtor appointed to explore development options for the Immanuel- St James Church.
- No further activity by Juliani Enterprises seeking to repurpose an historic property on Roosevelt Drive
- Sidewalk rebuild with Griffin Health Luchs Engineering are preparing LOTCIP project grant application (\$3M?) for submission to NVCOG and in turn CTDOT
- Yale School of Medicine selected Derby for pilot program
   approved as a community Brain & Heart health project, a
   marketing consultant has been appointed and has met with City
   of Derby
- We are meeting with Representatives of the Block Family Trust to explore development plans for their 70 acre land parcel in Derby.

Roger Salway,

Director of Economic Development 3/1/2024.

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# **BLIGHT DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY**

- 1. 23 ANSON ST LETTERS SENT MAINLY GRASS, SHRUBS TWO UNREGISTERED VEHICLES HIDING IN OVERGROWTH.
- 2. 35 BANK ST. LETTERS SENT AND NOT ACCEPTED BY OWNER. OVERGROWN VEGATATION. BUILDING COULD USE SOME PAINT. SHRUBS HINDERING PUBLIC WALKWAY.
- 3. 207 CAROLINE VACANT. GUTTED BY FIRE. SENT LETTER THAT WAS RETURNED. WANTED UPDATE AS TO OWNERS INTENT.
- 4. 20 CLARK. BUILDING CONDEMED BY BOH. OWNER LIVING IN DRIVEWAY IN HER CAR. TAXES AND SEWER ARE CURRENT. ALSO BELIEVE MORTGAGE IS ALSO CURRENT. OWNER IS A HORDER.
- 5. 24 CEDRICLAWN FURNITURE LEANING UP AGAINST HOUSE AND LAWN.
- 6. 17-24 CRESCENT. HAS OUTSTANDING PERMITS BUT NOTHING BEEN DON OVER A YEAR. INSULATING CHEMICLES STILL IN CONTAINERS SITTING IN DRIVEWAY EXPOSED TO ELEMENTS.
- 7. 350 DERBY AVE. BUILDING TORN DOWN. LOT NOW EMPTY BADLY OVERGROWN. TIRES AND JUNK THROUGHOUT PROPERTY.
- 8. 210-212 DERBY AVE . RENTAL PROPERTIES WITH MESSY TENANTS.
  LANDLORD NOTIFIED TENANT TO CLEAN THE AREA IN QUESTION. BLIGHT PROBLEM REMEDIATED
- 204-206 DERBY AVE. PROPERTY INVOLVED IN FIRE AND FATALITY. WHAT WAS LEFT OF BUILDING WAS DEMOLISHED. NOW AN EMPTY LOT THAT NEIGHBORHOOD IS USING AS A DUMPING GROUND. NOTIFIED OWNER

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MANY TIMES BUT NO RESPONSE. SUBMITTED TO ATTORNEY BUTURIA FOR FORECLOSURE.

- 10. 6-8 ELM ST. BEEN ON BLIGHT LIST FOR SOME TIME. DISCUSSED WITH BANK TO GAIN PERMISSION TO ENTER PROPERTY AND DO A CLEAN AND LIEN. HAD PEOPLE READY TO DO THE CLEANUP BUT BANK WASN'T COOPERATING WITH US. NEIGHBOR WANTS TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY BUT ITS STILLNOT FORWCLOSED ON AS WE SENT IT OVER TO PREVIOUS CITY ATTORNEY VIN MARINO. OUR NEW ATTORNEY NOW HAS THE PROPERTY AND WAITING TO HEAR FROM HIM AS TO THE STATUS.
- 11. 23 FACTORY ST. (OLD HOUSATONIC LUMBER) PROPERTY APPEARED TO BE USED AS A CHOP SHOP FOR A VARIETY OF VEHICLES. THE OWNER JENNA BARRETTA NOT BEING COOOPERATIVE WITH CITY. ATTORNEY HAS THE PAPERWORK.VIN MARINO WAS WORKING ON THIS BUT NOW EVERYTHING IS QUESTIONABLE. WILL SEND MEMO TO ATTORNEY BUTURIA.
- 12. 3 FRANCIS ST. THE PROPERTY IS A CONSTANT MESS. OWNER IS VERY ARGEMENTATIVE ABOUT WHATS CONSIDERED JUNK AND WHO BELONGS TO THE JUNK. THE OWNER OF 3 FRANCIS OR THE NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR.
- 13. 196 HAWKINS ST. CITY OWNED PROPERTY, TRYING TO SELL IT.
- 14. 201 HAWKINS. WORKING WITH A POTENTIAL BUYER FOR THIS PROPERTY.
- 15. 78 HAWKINS ST. NEIGHBOR AT 23 SMITH ST COMPLAINING THE OWNER AT 78 HAWKINS HAS A TENANT (SMALL GROCERY STORE ON CORNER) IS LITTERING THE REAR OF THE PROPERTY WITH PAPER AND TRASH. SENT A LETTER TO OWNER.
- 16. 118 HAROLD OWES \$1036.00 FOR CLEAN AND LIEN. NOT CURRENTLY OCCUPIED.
- 17. 242 MARSHALL LANE . PROPERTY NEEDS HORTICULTURAL MAINTENANCE. APPEARS UNOCCUPIED.



- 18. 58 MARSHALL LANE CITY INVOLVED IN LAWSUIT WITH MEL THOMPSON AGAIN. PROPERTY IS A TOTAL MESS. VEGATATION DURING WARM MONTHS GROWS OUT OVER THE ROAD AND INHIBITS CLEAR DRIVING DOWN MARSHALL LANE. THE GARAGE HAS A MASSIVE HOLE IN THE ROOF FOR MANY YEARS. PLACE IS LITTERED WEITH JUNK AND GARBAGE. MANY LETTERS SENT AND IGNORED.
- 19. 77 MINERVA APPEARS TO BE USED FOR STORAGE. YARD COULD USE HORTICULTURAL HELP IN THE REAR OF PROPERTY
- 20. 273 OLIVIA CLEAN AND LIEN FINE OF \$2840.00
- 21. 15 PINE ST HOME OWNER INHERITED LAWN MOWING BUSINESS FROM HER DECEASED BROTHER AND BROUGHT ALL OF HIS OLD USED EQUIPMENT TO HER BACK YARD ALONG WITH AN OLD BEAT UP PICKUP. SHES ELDERLY AND IS SLOW IN CLEANING UP THE PROPERTY BUT SHES DOING IT.
- 22. 75 PARK AVE. LARGE UNAUTHORIZED STORAGE BINS/TRAILERS AND INOPERABLE CARS ALONG WITH A BOAT IN YARD.
- 23. 1011 ROOSEVELT DR. ATTORNEY SALATTO WILL MAKE US AWARE WHEN THE BANK FORWCLOSES ON PROPERTY. ABSOLUTE MESS. MAY HAVE UNAUTHORIZED TENANTS OR SQUATTERS. MAY NEED DERBY POLICE TO ASSIST.
- 24. 190 SEYMOUR AVE. OLD GAS STATION. TRYING TO DETERMINE IF WE FORECLOSE WHO PAYS TO HAVE GAS TANK IN GROUND REMOVED??
- 25. 310 SILVER HILL ROAD. ACREAGE THAT ALLOWS CITY TO ACCESS REAR PROPERTY THAT CITY OWNS. OWNER DECEASED. SENT TO VIN MARINO TO FORECLOSE BUT APPARENTLY IT NEVER HAPPENED.



- 26. 20 EIGHTH ST. PILE OF WHAT LOOKS LIKE CONSTRUCTION TRASH AND GARBAGE. REMNENTS OF WHITE PLASTIC FENCE APPEAR IN THE BACKGROUND..SENT LETTER WAITING FOR SOME TYPE OF REPLY.
- 27. 15-17 EIGHTH ST TRASH CANS ALWAYS LEFT OUT. JUNK/TRASH ON THE PROPERTY, LAWN FURNITURE ECT LETTER SENT.
- 28. 2 TORRANCE AVE. BRICK WALL WAS TAKEN DOWN. CINDER BLOCKS
  BEHIND BRICKS NEEDS REPLACEMENT THE YARD NEEDS TO BE RAKED AND
  CLEANED OF YEARS WORTH OF LEAVES TWIGS BRANCHES AND JUNK. THE
  WHITE PLASTIC FENCE NEEDS TO BE REPLACED OR PUT BACK..LETTER SENT
  2/20/24

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## Finance Monthly Update - February

The finance team activities for the month of February include the following:

- Working with auditors and outside agencies to provide the necessary information for the 22-23 annual audit.
- Requested, received, and met with multiple department heads to review their requests for the 24-25 budget
- Developed 24-25 budget worksheets in Excel
- Reviewed 23-24 actual vs budget expenses with department heads to develop a 23-24 Forecast and identify potential risks to the budget that need to be discussed with the mayor, BOAT, and MFAC
- Accounts Payable and Payroll processing
- Attended numerous meetings with different vendors to discuss existing and new services

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## DERBY FIRE DEPARTMENT

1 ELIZABETH STREET DERBY, CONNECTICUT 06418

Gary Parker Fire Commissioner



Michael Gloade Chief

Thomas Biggs Assistant Chief

Louis Oliwa Assistant Chief

Jesse Marino
Assistant Chief

March 1, 2024

City of Derby Office of the Mayor

Subject: Fire Department Activity Report

Period: February, 2024

Apparatus:

A complete and thorough inspection of the department apparatus annually to maintain State of Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicle commonly known as the DOT Inspection compliance. Required annual performance testing is conducted coincidental with the DOT. For Engines, the water pumps are tested, for the Aerial ladder, the water pump and the aerial device is tested. Additionally, scheduled services (Oil change, lubrication, brakes, tires. etc.) are performed.

As the age of the fleet progresses, the cost of maintenance increases. Since the Covid epidemic, the supply chain issues have attributed to long lead times to procure various parts, at times requiring apparatus to be out of service for extended periods.

Inflation has driven the cost of parts (repair and maintenance) to escalate exponentially. As a result, shortfalls have occurred in each of the three past years in the equipment maintenance account in the department budget. Each year additional appropriations were requested and approved by the Board of Apportionment & Taxation to facilitate the necessary repairs. The BoAT approved an additional appropriation of \$73,137 added to the original budget appropriation of \$46,000 to provide \$119,137. The department request for the 2024-25 Budget Year is \$90,000.

#### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

Seventy-Two (72) Sets of Gear purchased with approved ARPA Funds have been delivered to the department and subsequently distributed to the membership following the completion of deep cleaning each set in accordance with the current State of CT Commission of Fire Protection & Control protoco



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CFS#	Date	PD#	Multi#	CMED#	Location	City	Call Type
2400011355	02-09-2024 05:03:26		2400000068	2400009847	NEW HAVEN AVE/SODOM LN	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400011558	02-09-2024 17:36:03		2400000069	2400010020	00273 DERBY AVE	DERBY	FD PROPANE/NATURAL GAS LEAK/ODOR
2400011618	02-09-2024 21:27:24		2400000070	2400010069	00384 DAVID HUMPHREYS RD	DERBY	FD MVA - INJURIES
2400011695	02-10-2024 07:41:36		2400000071	2400010142	00130 DIVISION ST	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400011996	02-11-2024 09:18:49		2400000072	2400010401	00101 MARSHALL LN	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400012394	02-12-2024 16:11:32		2400000073		00300 SEYMOUR AVE	DERBY	FD BRUSH/RUBBISH/OUTSIDE FIRE
2400012400	02-12-2024 16:19:35		2400000074	2400010760	NEW HAVEN AVE/SODOM LN	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400012443	02-12-2024 20:32:07		2400000075	2400010799	00200 OLIVIA ST	DERBY	FD ODOR (STRANGE/UNKNOWN) OUTSIDE
2400012668	02-13-2024 18:38:43		2400000076	2400010999	00049 PERSHING DR	DERBY	FD PROPANE/NATURAL GAS LEAK/ODOR
2400012713	02-14-2024 00:10:33	: '	2400000077	2400011041	00057 ANSON ST	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400013098	02-15-2024 10:04:02		2400000078	2400011397	00049 PERSHING DR	DERBY	FD MVA - INJURIES
2400013170	02-15-2024 14:16:41	- 1	2400000079	2400011461	00310 DERBY AVE	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400013191	02-15-2024 15:15:44		2400000080	2400011479	00100 DIVISION ST	DERBY	MVA EMS -COLD
2400013223	02-15-2024 16:52:16		2400000081	2400011507	00340 DERBY AVE (CATI)	DERBY	FD CHIMNEY FIRE
2400013256	02-15-2024 19:27:30		2400000082	2400011538	00023 NORTH AVE	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT



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CFS#	Date	PD#	Multi#	CMED#	Location	Citay	Call Type
2400013532	02-16-2024 18:27:26	-	2400000083	2400011794	00108 DERBY AVE	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400013710	02-17-2024 12:34:33		2400000084	2400011950	00004 DANIELLE CT	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400013784	02-17-2024 18:43:37		2400000085	2400012014	00117 MAIN ST (CATI)	DERBY	FD CONTROLLED/ILLEGAL BURN
2400014511	02-20-2024 15:15:43		2400000086	2400012662	00050 BANK ST	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400014702	02-21-2024 10:42:59		2400000087	2400012833	ELIZABETH ST/FIFTH ST	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400014734	02-21-2024 12:55:14		2400000088	2400012859	NORTH AVE/ROOSEVELT DR	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400014745	02-21-2024 13:12:49		2400000089	2400012869	00237 ROOSEVELT DR	DERBY	MVA EMS -COLD
2400015252	02-23-2024 11:02:48		2400000090	2400013306	OLIVIA ST/THIRD ST	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
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CFS#	Date	PD#	Multi#	OMED#	Location	City	Call Type
2400015252	02-23-2024 11:02:48		2400000090	2400013306	OLIVIA ST/THIRD ST	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400015538	02-24-2024 10:53:27		2400000091	2400013562	00045 MINERVA ST	DERBY	FD AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM
2400015608	02-24-2024 15:35:40		2400000092	2400013627	CEMETERY AVE/ROOSEVELT DR	DERBY	FD MVA/OTHER HAZARDS
2400015684	02-24-2024 22:23:04		2400000093	2400013698	00065 COMMODORE COMMONS CT	DERBY	FD CO Alarm
2400015772	02-25-2024 09:30:29		2400000094	2400013781	00274 DERBY AVE	DERBY	FD STRUCTURE FIRE
2400015809	02-25-2024 12:03:02		2400000095	2400013816	00160 ELIZABETH ST	DERBY	FD VEHICLE LOCK IN
2400015875	02-25-2024 17:28:35		2400000096	2400013874	00227 CAROLINE ST	DERBY	FALLS/FALL VICTIM -COLD
2400015924	02-25-2024 22:25:07		2400000097	2400013920	00205 SEYMOUR AVE	DERBY	FD CO Alarm
2400016121	02-26-2024 15:55:34		2400000098	2400014098	SMITH ST/W NINTH ST	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400016149	02-26-2024 17:41:15		2400000099		00080 CLIFTON AVE	ANSONIA	FD MUTUAL AID
2400016151	02-26-2024 17:43:21		2400000100		00020 DIVISION ST	DERBY	FD FUEL\ FLUID SPILL
2400016453	02-27-2024 17:27:02		2400000101	2400014383	BANK ST/JENNINGS ST	DERBY	FD BRUSH/RUBBISH/OUTSIDE FIRE
2400016696	02-28-2024 16:17:06		2400000102	2400014594	-8 S RT-8 HWY	DERBY	FD MVA/OTHER HAZARDS
2400016697	02-28-2024 16:17:45		2400000103	2400014595	-8 S RT-8 HWY	DERBY	FD MVA/OTHER HAZARDS
2400016791	02-29-2024 05:37:30		2400000104	2400014677	DERBY NECK RD/GREAT HILL RD	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400016815	02-29-2024 08:12:02		2400000105	2400014693	-8 S RT-8 HWY	DERBY	MVA EMS -HOT
2400016927	02-29-2024 13:36:15		2400000106	2400014778	00044 DIVISION ST	DERBY	FD MVA/OTHER HAZARDS
2400017174	03-01-2024 11:46:47		2400000107		00002 FACTORY ST	DERBY	FD INVESTIGATION





### City of Berby

Office of the Fire Marshal 1 Elizabeth Street Derby, Connecticut 06418 Telephone: (203) 736-6976

March 1, 2024

Mayor Joseph DeMartino

Board of Alderpersons

The following is a report on the activities of the Fire Marshal's Office for the Month of February 2024.

#### **OFFICE TIME:**

The following hours include the time the staff (Deputy Fire Marshal & Inspector) put in at the office for staff meetings, training, investigations, writing reports, etc. The total for this month is 56 hours. Fire Marshal's time is 35-hour s a week, split between office hours and field work.

#### **PLAN REVIEWS:**

The Fire Marshal's office reviewed 4 different plan reviews spanning from building renovations, cooking hoods systems, fire alarm systems, and sprinkler systems.

#### PROPERTY INSPECTIONS:

There are 33 properties in various stages of the code compliance process. These include commercial and multifamily housing inspections and reinspection. In addition to sprinkler systems, fire alarm testing, and cooking hoods and suppression systems testing.

**Fire Investigations:** The month of February only saw 2 small fires that required a fire marshal's presence. These fires were investigated and reported, utilizing approximately 4 hours of labor time.

#### **Summary:**

For the months of January and February of 2024, the Fire Marshal's office has focused on mercantile businesses. More specifically, some of the larger commercial plazas that are in the city. We continue to inspect our multifamily homes as required to be completed annually along with premises requiring various licenses. Mercantile properties are on a 3-year inspection cycle per state statue. Many of our commercial properties have not met those requirements. As we continue this area of concentration, as many as 21 businesses and mercantile occupancies have been inspected. Numerous violations were found in most of the plaza businesses spread around the city. This was to be expected due to the length of time since their last inspection. Shoprite Plaza, Red Raider Plaza, and Hill Top Plaza top the list of properties focused on. These inspections are more time-consuming due to their size and complexity. We have been working with the new owner of Hill Top Plaza to address the many violations found.

Finally, the developments on 67 Minerva and 90 Main Street are beginning to reach the phases where fire marshals inspections are required more frequently. Up until recently, most work being completed was framing. There is not much for our department to see at this stage, aside for the occasional visit to ensure construction safety per NFPA 241, along with inspecting various built in fire stops. However, they are now moving into the interior construction. This includes the installation of sprinkler systems, fire alarms and appliances, and fire rated components. We expect to be onsite at both locations more frequently in the coming months. Finally, we



will start looking for a replacement for resigned fire inspector, Steve Rabel. We would like to have someone in place by the end of spring.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted, **David J. Marcarelli**David J. Marcarelli
Fire Marshal



#### City of Derby

#### **Human Resources Activities**

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Vacant positions –

Tax Collector, F/T

WPCA Coordinator, F/T

P/T Records Clerk, Police Department

<u>Tax Collector, F/T</u> – First Interviews were conducted by a panel (Mayor, Town Clerk, Mayor Admin Assistant, Chief of Staff and Human Resources) Second Interviews were conducted as a follow-up.

New Employees - Registrars of Voters, P/T New Hire Paperwork Completed

<u>Onboarding</u> - (includes entering all Paycor information and Health, Life, Dental and Vision coverages when applicable.)

#### **Changes of Employees and Terminations** –

Police P/T Records Clerk – Voluntary Resignation – took employment elsewhere for a full time opportunity

#### Remove from lists and systems

Police Records Clerk, P/T

<u>Union Dues updates</u> – City Hall, Library and PW/WPCA employees. The Union dues were increased on these three contracts and I updated the rates in the Paycor system per the notification.

<u>Union Negotiations</u> – 1st meeting with City Hall Union Group 1<sup>st</sup> meeting with Library Union Group

#### Employees moved off of insurance plans and retirement

BOE retiree removed from Health Insurance

Processed removal of deceased participants in retirement plans Multiple assistance requests from employees each month for help with pension information, insurance assistance and explanations of benefits.



## Large Projects Ongoing

<u>Former Employee Records</u> - Archival of employee records in accordance with Records Retention for storage.

#### Insurance – continued work into February

Working with Brokers and direct contacts at Insurance and related companies to remove folks who've sat on the insurance long after they should have been removed due to terminations, age restrictions and retirements.

Anthem for Dental and Vision

Aetna for Health Insurance

Payflex for H.S.A cards

The Standard for Life, Short Term Disability

Medicare Coordination with Supplemental Plans

This work is first, a massive cleanup which will generate lower costs annually and then ongoing as changes take place.

#### City of Derby Office of Emergency Management

#### Monthly Report

Feburary 2024

The following activities occurred during the month of Feburary:

- The annual meeting for Derby First responders was held with UI. Several updates were made to the local priority locations for emergency restoration. Hallock's Landing will now be on the top 10 restoration list. General education was provided for the Derby attendees.
- Director Neuendorf attended the regional DEMHS monthly meeting. The quarterly regional planning committee meeting was attended but a quorum was not present.
- Derby's resolution for the 2022 regional emergency management grant was submitted.
- Information was obtained and shared with the fire commissioner regarding replacement of the Hotchkiss Hose radio tower and the Cottage Street tower. Visits to a tower in Woodbridge and Trumbull were made. The town of Plymouth, CT is currently replacing a tower with construction similar to the type we will require.
- Proxy letters for representation at the regional DEMHS meetings. Dep. Director Lenart participated in a 2-day emergency operations center training last month.
- Deputy EMD David Lenart will be attending training at the National Fire academy in Maryland. The training will allow him to instruct NIMS (National Incident Management System) training for first responders. There is currently a shortage of instructors for these classes and this will be a great asset for the region.

Respectfully submitted.

Mark Neuendorf
Office of Emergency Management



#### Derby Parks and Recreation 35 Fifth Street Derby, CT 06418

March 6, 2024

#### Parks and Recreation Update and Report

- Requests for Ryan Complex Rental continue to come in. Many inquiries do not amount to much once the fee schedule is shared with the potential customer. It is expected that Adult Men's Soccer and Adult Men's Football will end up renting the facility.
- Youth Programs are struggling with numbers of participants.
  - All major programs are affected.
  - Afternoon sports programming is being explored.
  - To these points, the 2024 Little League Program is without a 12-year-old team. This is a serious indicator to the above-mentioned points.
- The Derby Veterans Community Center continues to attract a high rate of participation,
   primarily with the pool and the basketball court.
  - With the warm weather approaching, we are gearing up for the possibility of disturbing behavior in the neighborhood. A meeting with police authorities is planned.
- Capital Request in Improvements at Bradley Field, Coon Hollow Basketball Courts, and the
   Derby Veterans Community Center are presented.
- Recreation Receivables are \$72,441 as of 3-6-2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis O'Connell



## Derby Police Department

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#### 05 MAR 2024 Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen Brief

- The department is in the final stages of filling our last opening. We are also vetting candidates for another opening that may occur due to retirement. These officers will be attending the CT police academy, but we are having difficulty obtaining seats. Hopefully seats will become available in the July academy.
- Detectives continue to work a "shots fired" case that occurred on Hawkins St. on February 21<sup>st</sup>. The actors are known, but the intended victim refuses to cooperate with the investigation. This was an isolated incident and there is no reason at this time to believe there will be further violence.
- As part of our Community Engagement initiative, officers will be taking part in the Read Across America program next week. Officers will be in the grammar schools reading for and interacting with students.

Scott R Fodd

Derby Police Department



#### MONTHLY REPORT TO MAYOR DIMARTINO, RE: DERBY PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### FOR FEBRUARY, 2024

The Derby Public Library is open to the public **55** hours a week, (including 5 hours on Saturdays, year round). The collection consists of over 63,000 items including books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, magazines, newspapers, and online databases. Outside book and A/V drops are open 24/7 for people to return their items. There are 3 full-time staff members and a part-time library staff of 9, as well as 2 part-time custodians.

The Derby Public Library is a member of the Bibliomation Consortium which connects us to over 68 other libraries in the state of Connecticut.

Attached to this report is the Library Newsletter for January/February 2024 which tells of all the activities, programs, and events the library offered as well as the March/April 2024 newsletter.

Circulation: 2148 items checked out at DPL; 329 Derby items were CO at other libraries,
 109 items CO at DPL owned by other libraries

Items added to collection: 160Total number of items: 63,393

Door count: 3141Wi-fi users: 210

Reference question (in person/phone/email): 341

Public Computer logins: 226
New library cards issued: 32
Active Library card users: 1857

The Derby Public Library Facebook page had 1037 views.

The DPL website had 2592 visits with 1402 unique visitors.

Ongoing class visits of between 80-105 students, from Irving School and St. Mary/St. Michael School, continue each week. DRN (Disability Resource Network) consistently includes DPL visits as part of their weekly routine.

Play area usage is over 115 per month and the DIY station had over 180 uses in February. More families are coming in for weekly story times for pre-school ages and toddlers. There has also been an increase in attendance for teen game nights and the Teen Advisory Board meetings.

The annual Derby Public Library Essay Scholarship Contest is open until April. The scholarship offers \$1000 to the high school senior from Derby, CT with the best essay about why libraries are important in their lives. The winner will be determined by the Derby Library Board.

Our Local History Coordinator, Christine Boulay, has been busy doing research on how Irving School got its name. Her work has also included helping the Town Clerk's office with historical information and dates as well as helping families from Derby trace their heritage and helping other residents discover other historical information about Derby.

The long-standing tradition of the Silver Sluggers annual Hot-Stove off-season meeting continued in February with over 30 sluggers in attendance. The regular baseball season meetings of the Sluggers will start up again in April.

The Annual CT State report of Library statistics was released. Derby Public Library held its own very well in many measurable categories. More details to come in the March report.

A Friends Group for the Derby Public Library has been re-established and is actively seeking members and/or contributors to help support the work of the Derby Public Library.



#### MONTHLY REPORT TO MAYOR DIMARTINO, RE: DERBY PUBLIC LIBRARY

To celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the appearance of THE BEATLES on The Ed Sullivan Show in February, 1964, well attended programs at DPL featured two Beatles movies and a book talk with local author, Charles Rosenay, about his new book featuring celebrity's top ten lists of Beatles-related topics along with a live performance by a Paul McCartney soundalike:



Respectfully submitted by, Scott Brill, Library Director



## Public works monthly report

- 1-Worked two snow storms on February 13th & 17th
- 2-Cleand pump station
- 3-Filled potholes
- 4-Picked up broken curb around town
- 5-Cut trees at witek park
- 6-Cleaned Water St. sidewalk
- 7-Cleaned catchbasin tops around town
- 8-Cleared brush on Stelmack Rd
- 9-Picked papers around town
- 10-Cleared brush near flood walls behind WPCA
- 11 Picked up bulky items left on the side of the roads

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#### Derby Senior Center Monthly Report March 1, 2024

#### Updates:

- Our February Valentine Luncheon was enjoyed by all. We had 55 members who
  attended. Marc Garafalo made home-made sauce and meatballs which were also
  sold separately for those who wished to buy some. Paula Pettinella provided
  entertainment. A member generously donated half the cost. We also had a bake
  sale and many raffles.
- The Valentine Bingo had to be cancelled due to bad weather. The extra prizes will be given out for St. Patrick's Day Bingo instead.
- New classes Zumba Gold and Cardio Drumming are going well. Diamond Art,
   Zentangle, and all the other classes are doing great with some new members who have joined.
- The "Monthly Matinee's" remains popular.
- Lord Chamberlain sponsored Birthday BINGO this month. Next month will be "A Better Life Homecare".
- Griffin Hospital will be finishing up a 6-week program on "Living with Chronic Illness".
- AARP continues their Free Tax Prep on Thursdays with only a few appointments left.
- The "Atlantic City" trip for February 27th 29th had 31 signed up.
- New trips have been planned. "A Chorus Line", RI-6/19, "Island Hopping" Nantucket/Martha's Vinyard-7/19-7/21, "Beach Boys Tribute"-8/21, "Glen Campbell Tribute"-11/24, "Atlantic City"-10/15-10/17, and "Buddy Holly & Elvis"-12/11. We also have a Caribbean Cruise scheduled for February 23 through March 7, 2025, with 7 destinations leaving out of NY.
- Upcoming events: Coastal Hearing will provide Free Hearing Aide Checks, Tests, and Hearing Loss information 3/11/24, Nutrition Ed by TEAM 3/12/24, and Cardiovascular Screening 3/13/24 and AED/CPR Training 3/21/24. We will be closed during this training so that Olga and I can attend.

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn Hebert, MSW Executive Director

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## Storm Engine Ambulance & Rescue Corp

151 Olívia St. Derby, CT 06418 LSGT026@aol.com

203-734-1593 75 Years of Service 1948-2023

March 1, 2024

February 2024 Report to City of Derby:

Total calls EMS for the Month of February unavailable until 3/4/2024

Rescue 18 will go Out of Service for repairs in the middle of March.

Both ambulances will be inspected by a licensed repair shop (annual Inspection required) by CT Department of Public Health, then go to DMV for Registration renewal.

New State of CT EMS protocols have been established, training and implementation of changes in process.

Emergency Medical Response Class being scheduled for April.

Haz-Mat Technician class completed; practical training exercise planned for April.

Work continues on the Derby EMS Plan revision.

Foam tank emptied and AFF foam removed.

Awaiting Capitol plan committee meetings

Preliminary budget request sent to interim finance Director, answered questions he had.

1<sup>st</sup> ever 5K road race scheduled for July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to coincide with the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Rescue Boats are being readied for the summer recreation and rowing activities.

Respectfully Submitted

Thomas lenart Chief, Storm Engine Ambulance & Rescue Corps





City of Derby
Water Pollution Control Authority
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#### March 2024 Board of Alderman Report

#### W.P.C.A.

**Plant** – The plant is operating within permit limits.

**Plant Upgrade** – In 2014 the City passed a \$31.42 million dollar referendum to replace three of the City's pump stations and begin plant upgrades. As of November 2022, approximately \$15 million dollars have been used on replacing the three pump stations and sewer main replacement in the RT-34 project. With approximately \$16.4 million dollars remaining the focus has turned on a full facilities upgrade (under DEEP order) with a cost estimated at \$60 million dollars.

**Collections System** – Route 34 sewer replacement nearing completion.

**Pump Station** – All four pump stations are operating without issue.

Respectfully,

Edward R. Abel Superintendent City of Derby Water Pollution Control Authority



#### RSC FEBRUARY -2024

#### **DERBY HOUSING**

Newsletter - Distributed to all Households.

### Topics/Resources addressed on Newsletter.

The Home Aid

DSS-CT Medical, TNAF

Opel Stork HCS

Veyo Transportation

**Emerest** 

FCP live-in care

Family Care VN

Adapt Health

United Health Care

211- info line

Beacon Vaccine clinic

AOA

Google web

Bridgeport Hospital

YNHH

United Illuminating

Valley Community Volunteers services

Ansonia/Derby Community Garden RBR

Derby Neck Library

Derby Senior center

Griffin Community Volunteer Blood screen

Valley Transit District

City of Derby Fire Department

Derby town Hall

Derby Mayor Office

Salvation Army

Valley United Way

The Masters Table

#### NETWORK

The Home Aid

Opel Stork

**Emerest** 

**FCVN** 

VNS Caregivers Inc.



RSC

FEBRUARY -2024

**DERBY HOUSING** 

#### **Deceased Tenants:**

Cicia -1 Lakeview - 0 Stygar -- 0

Total # 1

Reginas Jones RSC FEBRUARY 2024



## **HOUSING AUTHORITY City of DERBY**

30 Elizabeth Street, P.O. Box 843 Derby, CT 06418 Elderly/Disabled Housing Phone (203) 735-6652 Fax (203) 734-0204

# Subsidized Housing Coordinator's Report February 2024

#### **State Elderly Sites**

#### Stygar

Unit 25; letter sent to applicant on W/L.

#### Cicia Manor

- Unit 70; awaiting turnover.
- Unit 101A; Willie is working on.
- Unit 85; showing scheduled.
- Unit 72; awaiting turnover.

#### **Lakeview Apartments**

- Unit 25; awaiting turnover.
- Unit 26; letter mailed to applicant on W/L.
- Unit 12; awaiting turnover.



# Derby Housing Authority (DHA) Imagineers Update on HCV Program November 2023 NOTHING NEW TO REPORT

- New Fair Market Rents (FMRs): HUD published new FMRs for 2024. Effective January 1, 2024 the payment standard will need to be adjusted based on HUD's criteria to set the payment standard within the basic range of 90 to 110% of the FMR. As you may recall last year's payment standards were set at 120% of the FMR via HUD's approved regulatory waiver. The waiver expires 12/31/2023. We continue to believe that setting the payment standard using the highest percentage possible will allow the flexibility necessary to make sure that voucher holders are able to use their vouchers and help with rental assistance and to also ascertain that there is a better utilization rate for Derby's voucher program.
- Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP): We have not received HUD's SEMAP designation letter as of 10/31/2023. However HUD's Secured System shows that Derby's designation is "High Performer" with earned points of 140 out of a possible 145 points and an overall score of 97%. Before our administration of Derby's HCV program the designation was "Standard Performer".
- Utility Allowance Schedule: We have begun to solicit the utility consumption bills from the program participants in order to do the analysis for next year's utility allowance schedule that will be effective 3/1/24.
- HUD's Requirement for DHA to have an updated 5 Year PHA Agency Plan The 5 Year PHA
  Agency Plan will need to be drafted for the upcoming five-year term. We recently contacted Zuri for
  the first steps in preparing for this requirement.

The preparation of the plan included the following steps:

- 1. Draft the 5-year plan which includes identifying goals and objectives in serving the needs of families for the next 5 years and progress report on previous 5-year plan.
- Legal Notice needs to appear in the New Haven Register announcing the public meeting 45 days prior to the hearing date.
- 3. 5-year plan and invite to solicit comments or suggestions needs to be mailed to random current program participants and landlords.
- 4. State certification needs to mail out to the authorized representative at the State to confirm that Derby's 5-Year PHA Plan is consistent with their consolidated plan.

After the public hearing is held, we will record any comments or suggestions received for the 5 Year Plan. The 5-Year Plan will be finalized and will also include the certifications from the State and the Civil Rights Certification signed by the Executive Director and the Board Chairperson; we will then submit these documents to HUD electronically.

• AUDIT: We have begun to submit the requested documentation and files for the HCV program/file audit from Buel CPA, P.C. in these upcoming days

I can be reached directly at 860-768-3345, if anyone has any questions or concerns. Thank you. Ken Schultz