



October 2016



#### STILL RIVER GREENWAY

The Still River Greenway is scheduled to officially open at the end of October. There will be a grand opening ceremony. We will announce the date shortly so please come join us and enjoy our newest addition to Brookfield's amenities for residents. We have also arranged to have temporary parking at the northern end of the Greenway at 763 Federal Road; we are working to develop a permanent parking area for the Greenway on the northern end of the trail in the 4 Corners.

#### 4 CORNERS GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR BROOKFIELD VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT

Brookfield Village has obtained its final building permit and we will be having a groundbreaking ceremony that all will be invited to shortly. Please continue to watch the town hall website for final details.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT MOVED OUT OF TOWN HALL TO 162 WHISCONIER ROAD

Last week, the Parks and Recreation offices moved out of Town Hall to new office space which became available for town operations at the Old Town Hall, located at 162 Whisconier Road on the corner of Silvermine Road and Route 25. The Parks and Recreation phone number and mailing address will remain the same.

#### SPRAYING AT HAPPY LANDINGS

Next week, a firm called DBI from Hazleton, PA will be spraying Happy Landings for a very invasive weed that has established itself, called knapweed. They are licensed sprayers and this is an agricultural spraying. Details on the spraying and products used are available in the Land Use Offices at Town Hall.

#### SELECTMEN "MEET AND GREET"

Meet the Selectmen are held on the last Saturday of each month. Our next Meet and Greet is Saturday, October 29 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am at Jester's Coffee located at 331 Federal Road. We choose a different location in town for the Meet and Greet each month. Please feel free to stop by with any questions you may have or to let us know what's on your mind.

#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING

The next regular Board of Selectmen Meeting (BOS) will be held on Wednesday,

October 5 at 7:30 pm in Meeting Room 133 at Town Hall. You may view the attachments to the meeting packet on the Town's [website](#) using the *Video on Demand* link. The meeting will be live streamed on the Town's [website](#) and posted the following day on the [home page](#) in Video on Demand.

#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING - SOUTHERN FEDERAL ROAD WATER LINE ASSESSMENTS

Prior to the Board of Selectmen Meeting on Wednesday, October 5, the Selectmen scheduled a Public Hearing at 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm in Meeting Room 133 at Town Hall, to receive public comment and opinion from those affected by the water line assessments for the Southern Federal Road Water Line Phase I-III and Del Mar Drive pursuant to Chapter 215 of the Brookfield Code of Ordinances. The Public Hearing notice and proposed Ordinance are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk and the Town's [website](#).

#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING -FIREFIGHTERS/AMBULANANCE STIPEND

Prior to the Board of Selectmen Meeting on Wednesday, October 5, the Selectmen scheduled a Public Hearing at 7:15 pm in Meeting Room 133 at Town Hall, to receive public comment and opinion concerning a proposed new ordinance for Chapter 122 Emergency Services Benefit for Certain Emergency Services Volunteers of the Town Code of Ordinances. This new ordinance would replace the current Chapter 197 Taxation Ordinance. The Board of Selectmen would then consider repealing Chapter 197 at the BOS meeting following the Public Hearing if the new Ordinance is approved. The Public Hearing notice and proposed and present Ordinance are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk and the Town's [website](#).

Steve Dunn  
First Selectman  
Brookfield, CT

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Town Clerk News

**WARNING OF ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 8, 2016 STATE ELECTION**

The Electors of the Town of Brookfield are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, for the following purposes:

To cast their votes for Presidential and Vice-Presidential electors, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, and Registrar of Voter.

Notice is hereby given that the location of the polling places is as follows:

<b>Voting District</b>	<b>Location of Polling Place</b>
1	Huckleberry Hill School Candlewood Lake Road
2	Brookfield High School Long Meadow Hill Road

Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location:

Brookfield Town Hall  
100 Pocono Road

Voting machines will be used. The polls will be opened at six o'clock in the morning (6:00 am) and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 pm).

Dated at Brookfield, Connecticut this 24th day of October, 2016.

Joan M. Locke  
Town Clerk of Brookfield

## Land Use News



The Town is initiating discussions with each of the 32 property owners who will benefit from the first phase of the Streetscape Project. To help the community visualize sidewalk location, pink colored lines and stakes have been placed on the sidewalk edge along the intersection and on both sides of Federal Rd south. The attached image is a view from the Dunkin Donuts plaza looking north past the Brookfield Funeral Home. These stakes and marks won't be in place for a long time so please do drive by and see for yourself where the placement of the sidewalks will be.

An update on the project cost and schedule will be made to the Boards of Selectmen and Finance on Oct 5th and 13th, respectively. Any questions should be directed to Greg Dembowski, Project manager, at 203-740-3865.

## Tax Collector News

### **Delinquent Motor Vehicle and Personal Property Taxes:**

All 2013 Grand List bills and older will be forwarded to Tax Serv, our Collection Agency. In order to avoid additional fees, please pay your bill now.

## Public Works News

The Department of Public Works Paving program will continue through October with work on Dean Road, Galloping Hill Road, Bonny Road, Windwood Road and Big Buck Lane. With the remaining money in the 2016-2017 budget, and after we update our road ratings, additional roads will be added to our paving list for the spring of 2017.

## Brookfield Senior Center News

**Annual Flu Shot Clinic**  
**Sponsored by Western Connecticut Home Care, Inc.**



Monday, October 17, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
(No appointments necessary)

Flu vaccine will be billed to Medicare Part B or Anthem, Blue Cross, ConnectiCare, Health Net, Oxford, Aetna, CIGNA. Proof of coverage must be presented. Bring your insurance card. Copays and deductibles may apply. If you are not covered by one of these insurers, payments may be made by check, cash, MasterCard or VISA.

**Brookfield Community Health Fair**  
**Monday, October 17 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Regional Hospice and Home Care is sponsoring a Health Fair at Brookfield Senior Center during our flu clinic. Join us and meet local health agencies and providers.

**Are You Saving the Most Money on Your Prescription Drugs?**



Volunteers at Brookfield Senior Center are available to assist you with your 2017 Medicare Part D choices. You can pick up your 2017 Personal Information Form (PIF) at the center to complete. Once completed, please return the PIF to the Center and our volunteers will make an appointment to assist you.

## Brookfield Social Services News

### **APPLY NOW! CT ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The Energy Assistance program begins in November. If your income is below \$33,880.60 for individuals and \$44,305.40 for couples, you may be eligible for CEAP. Assets for homeowners cannot exceed \$15,000 and Renters \$12,000. Please call Social Services at (203) 775-7312 for details and to set up an appointment.

What do I need to apply?

- Current gross income from Social security, pensions, employment, unemployment, interest and dividends.
- Current bank statement(s) from all accounts, i.e. checking, savings, money

markets, etc.

- Electric bill

## Brookfield Police Department News

We look forward to seeing you soon at our October events!



[Tip A Cop](#) on Thursday, October 6th from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm at 189 Sports Café (189 Federal Road). Brookfield Police officers will be working hard to serve you and collect donations for Special Olympics Connecticut, a year-round program that provides sports, training, and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Your donation will help support athletes in your community.



[Coffee with a Cop](#) is on Saturday, October 8th from 8:00 am to 10:30 am at Brookfield Deli & Catering (782 Federal Road). Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation, for a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.



The Police Department wishes everyone a Happy Halloween! Stay safe this Halloween with these tips:

- Always remember to bring working flashlights
- Accompany younger children at all times
- Ensure your children can be seen on the road in their costumes
- It's always a good idea to check candy

Stay up to date with the latest Department news and information. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

## Library News

**Concert:** Judy Handler and Mark Levesque performing international music for guitar & mandolin, Sunday, October 23, 3:00-4:15 pm. Free admission; donations gratefully accepted. No registration required.

**Adult Programs.** Register at <http://www.brookfieldlibrary.org/event-calendars/adult-events-calendar/>



**Your Sensational Shift:** A Series for Women 50+ - Presented by Loretta Donovan, Independent Consultant. \$15 materials fee for this series.

*Anticipating: Draft a Path to Your Chosen Future:* Thursday, October 6, 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

*Appreciating: Design Your Sensational Shift:* Thursday, October 13, 7:00 - 8:30pm.

**TEDx Brookfield Salon with Wendy Youngblood:** *"Talking to Strangers"*

Friday, October 21, 7:00 pm. Registration is greatly appreciated for this free and enlightening event!

**Frankenstein!:** Thursday, October 27, 7:00 pm.

North Shore Theatre Group presents Greg Oliver Bodine in *Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus* -- a new, one-man play faithfully adapted from Mary Shelley's classic novel of gothic horror. Please register for this free event, which has been generously funded by The Friends of The Brookfield Library.

**AARP Safe Driver Course:** Saturday, October 29, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Drivers benefit from a discount on their auto insurance premium upon completing the course.

**Use Our 3D Printer:** Our 3D printer is now available for public use! Our printer measures prints in milliliters, and we charge \$0.15 per milliliter. Submit an online form to request time to print or use the computer. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer.

**Meet Our 3D Printer:** Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 pm. This informational session will introduce you to the printer and give you the certification necessary to schedule time to use it. Open to ages 12 and up. Those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Registration appreciated.

**Adult Sewing Class:** Saturday, October 15, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

Use the library's new sewing machines to make your own linen zippered bag. Limit of 6 participants, \$5.00 materials fee. Register and pay by October 13.

**Tablet Digital Photo Editing Class:** Saturday, October 15, 2:00-4:00 pm.

Please bring your tablet and a stylus and/or brush. If possible, also have some photos on your device. Open to those ages 15 and up. \$5.00 class fee.

**Intro to Windows 10 Class:** Monday, October 17, 3:00 pm OR 6:30 pm.

**Movie Matinees:** Free showing, popcorn & soda.

*Hunt for the Wilderpeople:* Saturday, October 22 at 2:00 pm. Rated PG-13, 101 minutes.

**Learn Little Bits!:** Tuesday, October 18, 4:00 pm. Join us for an introduction to Little Bits, easy-to-use pieces that snap together to form electrical circuits. We will be working in small groups to learn how they work. For grades 3 and up. Limited to 8 participants. Register online, by phone, or at the Checkout Desk.

**Teen Programs for Grades 6-12.** Register at

<http://www.brookfieldlibrary.org/event-calendars/teen-events-calendar>.

**Kid's Programs.** Registration: <http://www.brookfieldlibrary.org/event-calendars/kids-events-calendar>

## Park & Rec News

The Fall Program Guide is currently [online](#) with programs beginning in October. Whether you are looking for a trip, after school activity, adult fitness class or an event for the family, there is something for everyone.

The 25th Annual "Well Adjusted, LLC" 5K Halloween Run and Kids K Fun Run are on Sunday, October 30. [Online registration](#) is available, or you may download a registration form from our [website](#).

## Brookfield Conservation Commission



### FARMFEST 2016

The Conservation Commission will host [FarmFest on Saturday, October 15 from 11:00am to 3:00pm](#) at the Gurski Homestead at 26 Obtuse Hill Road in Brookfield. Featuring: antique trucks and machinery, exhibits, kids' games, fire trucks, blacksmithing, hayrides, food and more.

Interested in volunteering to help us put this event on? [Click here](#) to submit your name and contact information so we can reach you.

## Brookfield CARES



Brookfield Cares and the C.A.R.E.S. Group host weekly hope and support group meetings every Monday night from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Brookfield Senior Center.



Receive information and resources about everything from how to enhance family communication, to information about community health concerns by subscribing to our newsletter: [Click Here](#).

We want to hear from you! Brookfield Cares is always open to suggestions from you. Feel free to send us an email at [info@brookfield-cares.org](mailto:info@brookfield-cares.org) or click [here](#) to submit an idea or suggestion.

## Brookfield Farmers Market

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July 8 to October 28

**BUY LOCAL**

*Fridays 3pm to 6:30pm*

**Brookfield Town Hall  
100 Pocono Road**

For More Information: [BrookfieldFarmersMarket@gmail.com](mailto:BrookfieldFarmersMarket@gmail.com)