



The Lisbon Quarterly

A Newsletter for Lisbon Residents

Board of Finance

2023— 2024 Budget Schedule

by Wayne Donaldson, Chairman, Board of Finance

The Board of Finance encourages, welcomes and appreciates resident input in the budget process. To be informed of Board of Finance meetings and public hearings, "Subscribe" to Board of Finance agendas online (<https://www.lisbonct.com/subscribe>). By subscribing, you will receive an email notification each time an agenda is published on the Town website.

Budget Schedule

March 10—General Government and Board of Education Budgets are due to the Board of Finance.

March 15—Regular Meeting.

March 22—General Government and Board of Education Budgets to be presented to the Board of Finance. Discussion/Possible Vote.

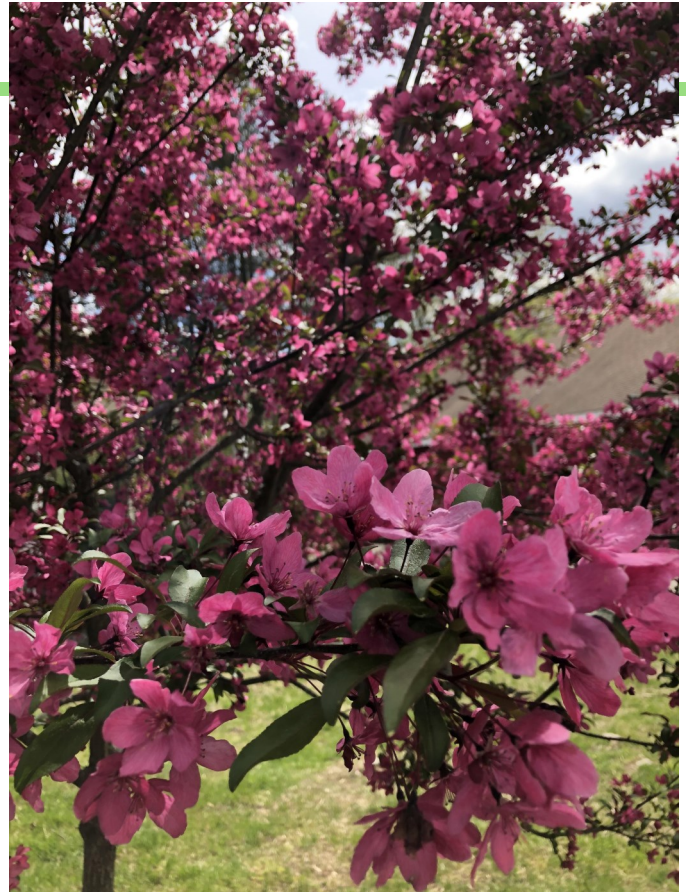
March 29—Budget discussion and possible vote.

April 4 — Public Hearing on both budgets to take place at LCS Cafeteria. Budget materials will be available for public review in Town Clerk's Office five days prior to the hearing.

April 12— Discussion and Possible Vote on both budgets.

April 19— Regular meeting. Discussion/Possible Vote.

May 1 — Annual Town Meeting to take place at LCS Cafeteria. Per ordinance, it is the first Monday in May. The Capital Non-Recurring account will be voted on at this meeting. The GG and BoE Budgets will NOT be voted on at this meeting, except to send them to referendum.



Referendum will take place approximately 1—2 weeks after the Town Meeting.

Mill rate to be set approximately 1—2 weeks after the referendum.

All dates are subject to change. To confirm dates, please contact the Town Hall 860-376-3400 or Wayne Donaldson, Chairman at: Lisbon.bof.chairman@hotmail.com

The Board of Finance currently has two vacancies. If you are interested in joining as a member of the Board, send a letter of intent to the First Selectman: tsparkman@lisbonct.com.



New Lisbon Fire Station Progress Update

Since the approval of the new fire station on September 8, 2021 bonding was secured and a Fire Station Building Committee was established. Members appointed to the committee include Chairman: Mark Robinson, Vice Chairman: Allen Bergeron, John Cingranelli, Josh Cingranelli, David Croughwell, Miles Lafemina, James Labonne, Robert Browne, Wayne Donaldson and alternates Michael Civardi and Michael Zelasky.

The committee finalized plans to bid the project with Mitchell Associates Architects, PLLC of Voorheesville, New York and CLA Engineers of Norwich. This included approvals from the Conservation Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning and Zoning Commission, Fire Marshal and Building Inspector.

The project consists of separate site work preparation, which was awarded to Roma Construction Company of Jewett City. The contract price was \$1,250,000.00. Site work began in August 2022, which included blasting, removal of ledge and material, site grading, drainage, a retention pond and a retaining wall.

Clerk of the Works has been awarded to Construction Advocacy Professionals, LLC of Preston.

Finally, the building committee rebid the building phase of the project after first round bids were over the projected budget. We are pleased to announce the Town has awarded Orlando Annulli and Sons, Inc. of Manchester the building construction contract at a cost of \$9,259,000.00; commencing February 27, 2023 with a completion date of April 22, 2024 (420 calendar days).



Site work preparation for the new Lisbon Fire Station began at the property location on Newent Road in August of 2022. It included blasting, removal of ledge and material, site grading, drainage, a retention pond and a retaining wall.

Assessor's Office

By Gail Gwiazdowski, Tax Assessor

The filing deadlines for various exemptions and classifications are as follows:

HOMEOWNERS & TOTALLY DISABLED

Residents 65 years of age or totally disabled may be eligible for a tax credit on real estate; income guidelines apply and are adjusted each year. Applications are accepted February 1, 2023 and must be filed on or before May 15, 2023.

RENTER'S REBATES

Residents 65 years of age or totally disabled may be eligible for a rent rebate under CT State law; income guidelines apply and are adjusted each year. Applications will be available April 1, 2023 and must be filed on or before October 1, 2023.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR BLIND OR TOTALLY DISABLED PERSONS

Connecticut law provides for a \$3,000 assessment exemption for taxpayers who are legally blind. Proof of the blindness (certification by a qualified medical practitioner) must be received by October 1, 2023.

Connecticut law also provides for a \$1,000 exemption for totally disabled persons who are receiving benefits under a federal, state or local retirement plan, which contains requirements comparable to those of the Social Security Administration. Proof of disability must be received by October 1, 2023.

VETERANS

Veterans claiming disability exemption must submit proof from the Veterans Administration. PA 85-573 allows veterans an additional exemption if their income is within the approved limits. This application must be filed by October 1 bi-annually.

PUBLIC ACT 490

All applications for classification of farm or forestland must be received by October 31, 2023.

Applications and/or additional information for all of the above are available in the Assessor's Office.

Please call 860-376-5115 or email assessor@lisbonct.com for more information.

Gail Gwiazdowski, CCMA I, Lisbon Assessor

Town Clerk's Corner

By Michelle Grant, Town Clerk

New Fishing Regulations in Effect

Fishing licenses are required to fish in all Connecticut waters. Your Lisbon Town Clerk's office is an approved DEEP Sportsmen License Vendor, or you can get your Sportsmen licenses on line at CT.aspirafocus.com/internetsales. Key changes to fishing regulations effective 12/27/2022 are available on the Secretary of State website. The closed season has been removed. In an effort to conserve & protect the environment, the Fisheries Division of the DEEP will be printing a limited number of guidebooks in 2023. A PDF version is available on their website. The Fisheries Division encourages everyone to make use of the digital fishing guide to reduce wasted paper.

The office of the Town Clerk, also in an effort to conserve & protect the environment, has encouraged the members of various Town boards and commissions to receive their agenda and minute packets in electronic format, thereby eliminating the costs of postage, envelopes and paper. It has the potential for substantial savings for the Town.

Be aware that the State of Connecticut now requires proof of license to kennel your dog. Dog License reminders will be sent out in May and new licenses will be issued the entire month of June. An up-to-date rabies certificate will be required at that time in order to obtain a license.

Volunteers Needed

Get Involved – Make a Difference!

Our Town is in need of volunteers to fill vacancy positions on the following boards and committees:
Board of Finance (2 Alternates); Conservation Commission (1 Member, 2 Alternates); Farmer's Market Committee (1 Member, 1 Alternate); Recreation Committee (2 Members); Water Pollution Control Authority (2 Members); Zoning Board of Appeals (2 Members).

We appreciate all our Board Members! If you are interested in getting involved, please contact the Selectman's Office at: **860-376-3400**



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Lisbon Historical Society Quarterly Notes

By Kim Sperry

Recently an inquiry was made as to the provenance of a house on Hamburg Cove in Lyme that was originally located on the corner of Ross Hill Road near Penny Lane. The "old Burnham place" was built about 1780 on 200 acres "across the street" from the Burnham Tavern on land willed to James Burnham by his father. James was a cousin to Captain Benjamin Burnham. Over the centuries, the house came to be owned by a Brown, Palmer, Fitch and Sudek before it was taken apart piece by piece, and relocated to Lyme. Fireplaces, chimneys, the foundation from the ground up, great slabs of granite stepping stones and the front steps were also moved. When the house was restored in Lyme, the chimney and stairs were returned to their original locations. Members of the Historical Society toured the house in Lyme to compare the style and construction to the Tavern. While the Lyme house does not have a ballroom, the main house layout is nearly identical. The two photographs are before the move and after restoration.



Anshei Israel Synagogue Update: Building and Grounds committee members Ken Mahler, Kevin Shafer and Steve Lawhead, dug out the west and north side foundation and lay drainage pipe to prevent the sill from rotting. Crushed stone was placed around the entire building to avoid rain splashing mud on the sill & skirt boards. The project took place over three gloomy, rainy days with freezing temperatures in December.

The synagogue, no longer a house of worship, is a museum opened by appointment (for more information, email Paula Adams at padams60@sbcglobal.net). Additionally, a booklet on the history of the synagogue, *A Refuge in the Country*, is available upon request and at the Lisbon Town Hall.



Lisbon Central School Student Ambassador: The Historical Society is pleased to welcome Lisbon Central School Student Ambassador, Leo Rodriguez. Leo sits with us during regular monthly meetings and is able to ask questions and take part in discussions, while we do our utmost to catch him up to the issues on the agenda and the work we do.

Photos of the house on Ross Hill Road: (Top) Before removal from its original location in Lisbon and (Bottom) after restoration in Hamburg Cove, Lyme.

Lisbon Historical Society Quarterly Notes

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Cans and Bottles Update. Donations remain strong. Members sort cans and bottles 7 days a week. We are thankful for your donation of these redeemable glass, plastic, and aluminum bottles and cans that are marked "CT". Although the State legislature added new products to the redemption stream, Gatorade, Snapple, tea beverages, wine bottles, plastic milk jugs, Poland Springs water bottles with the red strip around the label, and all others not marked "CT" should be recycled in blue bins on recycle day. Additionally, it is impossible for the bar code readers at the redemption centers to process

crushed aluminum cans and plastic bottles. Many thanks go out to contributors to our can and bottle redemption program. In addition to can and bottle donations, we are now an *Amazon Smile Charity*. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases, and there is no cost to the Amazon customer. Go to [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile).

Senior Center

Spring Events & Activities

By Danielle Mauri, Senior Center Coordinator

March

- March 3rd – Bali Village Restaurant
- March 14th – March Birthday Celebration
- March 15th – St. Patrick's Day Celebration with Rennie Chapman
- March 17th – Art Class
- March 20th – Hank's Restaurant
- March 22nd – Christmas Tree Shop/Cracker Barrel
- March 24th – AARP Driver Safety Course
- March 28th – Baked Ziti Lunch Special

April

- April 3rd – Spring Brunch
- April 3rd – Beginner Fitness
- April 7th – CLOSED
- April 14th – Art Class
- April 18th – Ham and Beans Lunch Special
- April 21st – Birthday Celebration
- April 28th – Texas Roadhouse

May

- May 5th – Cinco de Mayo w Izzy Flores
- May 15th – Birthday Celebration
- May 19th – Art Class
- May 24th – Hot Dog/Potato Salad Lunch Special
- May 29th – CLOSED
- May 30th – Red Cross Blood Drive



2023 Market Season
Thursday Afternoons,
June 29 through
September 14

www.lisbonct.com/farmers-market

*The Lisbon Farmer's Market
 is currently accepting applications from potential
 vendors. Seeking vendors with
 Fruits and Vegetables; Meat and Poultry; Dairy
 Products; Crafters; Jams and Preserves;
 Local Honey and Maple Syrup; Food Trucks*

*The Market is held seasonally on Thursdays by the
 "barn" at Lisbon Meadows Park, Route 169,
 3:30 PM—6:30 PM.*

**Market Committee Members and
 Market Volunteers are needed, too!**
 We need **YOU** to help keep this Market running!
 All interested parties should email us:
farmers_market@lisbonct.com

Edward Gionet, Chairman
Tanner Wilson, Secretary

From The History Books

COLONIAL NAME QUIZ

By Marcia Shafer, Lisbon Town Historian

Can you determine the current way we say these words and names? (See the next page for answers!)

1. What is a "plantacon"?
2. What is the current name for "Conectecott"?
3. What town is "Wythersfeild"?
4. What town was first known as "Seabrooke"?
5. What town was first known as "Mashamoquet"?
6. What town was first known as "Norridge" or "Norwig"?
7. Where is the old town of Cheesebrough?
8. "East Norwich" is now known by what name?
9. "New Roxbury" is now known by what name?
10. Which town was known by the names of "Peagscomset" and "Kent"?
11. "North Parish" became known by what name?
12. What farming town was first known as "West Farms", "Concord", "Pautipaug" and "7th Society"?
13. "Hanover", "Newent", and "3rd Society" became what town?
14. "West and Eighth Society" became what area?
15. "New Concord and 4th Society" became what town?
16. "East Society" and "Long Society" was annexed to what town?
17. Sprague was a part of Lisbon and what other town?
18. The "6th Society" was also known as...?
19. What river was known as "Queenabauge"?
20. What river was known as "Showtucket"?
21. Where is "Ye Crotch of the Rivers"?
22. What was the name of Lisbon before it was Newent?

Answers on page 7

SAINT MARY'S FOOD PANTRY

Saint Mary's in Jewett City is the Town's designated Food Bank.

Food can be picked up at the Rectory every second and fourth Tuesday of the month,
10am – 11am and 3pm – 4pm.
To donate, please call:
860-376-2044

Emergency Management

In the event of a Local, Regional or even a State or Federal emergency, our Director of Emergency Management is available to answer your questions:

Jonathan Arpin

Emergency Management Director
1-(860)-625-0026

Information is also available on the Town website, under Departments -
Emergency Management:
<https://www.lisbonct.com/emergency-management>

Navigating the Town Website ~ www.lisbonct.com



COLONIAL NAME QUIZ - Answers

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1. What is a "plantacon"? *Plantation*
2. What is the current name for "Conectecott"? *Connecticut*
3. What town is "Wythersfeild"? *Wethersfield*
4. What town was first known as "Seabrooke"? *Old Saybrook*
5. What town was first known as "Mashamoquet"? *Pomfret*
6. What town was first known as "Norridge" or "Norwig"? *Norwich*
7. Where is the old town of Cheesebrough? *Stonington*
8. "East Norwich" is now known by what name? *Preston*
9. "New Roxbury" is now known by what name? *Woodstock*
10. Which town was known by the names of "Peagscomset" and "Kent"? *Canterbury*
11. "North Parish" became known by what name? *Montville*
12. What farming town was first known as "West Farms", "Concord", "Pautipaug" and "7th Society"? *Franklin*
13. "Hanover", "Newent", and "3rd Society" became what town? *Lisbon*
14. "West and Eighth Society" became what area? *Pautipaug*
15. "New Concord and 4th Society" became what town? *Bozrah*
16. "East Society" and "Long Society" was annexed to what town? *Preston*
17. Sprague was a part of Lisbon and what other town? *Franklin*
18. The "6th Society" was also known as...? *Chelsea*
19. What river was known as "Queenabauge"? *Quinnabaug*
20. What river was known as "Showtucket"? *Shetucket*
21. Where is "Ye Crotch of the Rivers"? *Southern part of the Town of Lisbon where Quinnebaug and Shetucket meet*
22. What was the name of Lisbon before it was Newent? *"Wales" is the earliest name found mentioned*

In December 2023, Newent Congregational Church will be celebrating its 300th anniversary. The Town Historian would be grateful for any historic items or pictures of the church from 1723 to 2023, to help to record its history. Copies will be made of the pictures, news clippings or other documentation and the originals will be returned to the owners. Email Marcia Shafer, Lisbon Town Historian at: lisboncthistorian@yahoo.com.

After Hours @ Slater Library



Paintings by Lisbon resident Martin Kozeresfki . More of Martin's work may be seen on April 15 at the Open House Art Show.

Open House Art Show: Saturday, April 15, 2023 / 3PM – 5PM

As those who come in to Slater regularly know, we display the work of local artists year-round. At this special event we welcome artists from Griswold, Lisbon, and the surrounding towns to display their work and be available to answer questions about style, color, and training. Be prepared to marvel at the talent that surrounds us as you enjoy light refreshments at this open house event.

Regenerative Gardening for the Home Gardener: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 / 6PM

Learn how to garden with Mother Nature while reducing your workload, increasing your production and nutritional quality while reducing your costs. Presented by Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center's Coogan Farm Manager, Craig Floyd. Sign up required for seating.

Predators in Your Backyard: Tuesday, May 16, 2023 / 6PM

There are many incredible predators which call our area home. We will learn which ones can be found in Connecticut and discuss the natural history, and real-life stories of these amazing creatures. Also get to see the amazing wingspan of two local predator live and in house. Presented by Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center. Sign up required for seating.

Celebration of the Red Sox Nation: Thursday, June 8, 2023 / 6:30PM

Take a fun and enlightening journey through Boston Red Sox history with the author of the Ultimate Boston Red Sox Time Machine Book. This presentation by Marty Gitlin features exciting nostalgic videos of the greatest and the most fascinating players, teams, events, and moments in franchise history. The program also includes trivia questions for patrons to ponder and covers Sox history from the Royal Rooters, who launched Red Sox Nation, all the way to four World Series Championships and beyond. Sign up required for seating.

These events except the open house may be attended virtually via Zoom upon request. Email slaterlibrary.director@yahoo.com.

Slater Library & Fanning Annex Hours

Monday through Wednesday, Noon - 5:30PM / Thursday Noon - 6:30PM / Friday 11AM - 5PM
Saturday 10AM - 2PM / Closed Sunday

Trail Committee

By Joe Lewerk, Chairman

Burnham Tavern Trails and Lisbon Meadows Park Trails maps may be found at: <https://www.lisbonct.com/trail-committee>

Would you like to be a Trail Committee volunteer? Meetings are held every second Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise noted. Agendas can be found at the link above. You may also "Subscribe" to the Trail Committee on the Home page of the Town website to receive email notices each time a Trail Committee agenda is published. <https://www.lisbonct.com/subscribe>

Unacceptable Waste Materials Being Reported by Wheelabrator

Wheelabrator Lisbon, Inc. reports that recent inspections of waste loads delivered by the hauler that services the Town of Lisbon has revealed an unacceptable amount of materials in these loads to be recyclables. Wheelabrator is required to report loads that contain 10% or more recyclables in its waste collections, and the current percentage for the Town of Lisbon is 14%.

If you are a Lisbon resident and do not have a recycle bin, contact the Selectman's office at 860-376-3400 and arrange to pick one up at the Town Hall.

A list of unacceptable household waste may be found on the next page. This includes anything that is on your recyclable materials list.

In short, ***please remember to recycle***. The Recycling Zone Map, Recycling Calendar, Recycling Do's and Don'ts, and general Recycling Information may be found under the "[Town Services](#)" link on the Home page of the Town website.

See an extensive list of "Unacceptable Waste" on page 10 of this newsletter.



Lisbon Recreation Tennis Court
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RULES & REGULATIONS

- Use tennis court at own risk.
- No food, glass or alcoholic beverages.
- No pets.
- No bicycles, roller blades or skate boards.
- Proper footwear required.
- Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Court for Lisbon residents & their guests only.
- Do not abuse net or other equipment.
- Court hours from sunrise to sunset.

Contact Lisbon Rec. Committee
with comments or concerns
860-376-9791.

TRACK RULES

THE TRACK IS FOR RUNNING
& WALKING ONLY

NO

GUM OR TOBACCO
PRODUCTS
PETS
WHEELED VEHICLES
ROLLER BLADES
ROLLER SKATES
SKATEBOARDS
SCOOTERS
BICYCLES
FOOD/GLASS BOTTLES



ACCEPTABLE WASTES

"Municipal Solid Waste" means solid waste from residential, commercial & industrial sources, excluding solid waste consisting of significant quantities of hazardous waste as defined in section 22a-115, land-clearing debris, demolition debris, biochemical waste, sludge & scrap metal. CGS 22a-207(23)

Special Waste including processed construction and demolition wood when approved by application prior to receipt and renewed annually, no later than 12 months of previous application.

UNACCEPTABLE WASTES

Recyclable Materials Per RCSA §22a-241(b)-1

- Boxboard (cereal boxes, shoe boxes)
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Glass and Metal Food & Beverage Containers
- Plastic Containers #1 & 2 (HDPE & PET)
- Leaves and Grass Clippings
- Magazines and Newspaper
- Office Paper & Residential White Paper
- Colored Ledger Paper
- Scrap Metal
- Storage Batteries (from motor vehicles)
- NiCd Rechargeable Batteries (consumer product)
- Waste Oil / Used Oil

Covered electronic device or "CED" means desktop or personal computers, computer monitors, portable computers, CRT-based televisions and non-CRT-based televisions or any other similar or peripheral electronic device specified in regulations adopted pursuant to section 22a-63B.

Hazardous Waste per RCSA §22a-449(c)-101

Explosives per CGS §29-343

Liquid Wastes

- Gasoline, kerosene, turpentine
- Waste or hydraulic Oil
- Solvents
- Paints
- Alcohol
- Acids
- Petroleum
- Caustics
- Sewage or process wastewaters
- Leachate
- Sewage sludge
- Inflammable or volatile liquids

Demolition Debris

- Aggregate, brick, stone, cement, gravel, sand, structural clay products
- Soil
- Asbestos
- Roofing materials
- Plaster
- Other non-combustible demolition debris

Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Parts

White Goods (includes CFC containing appliances)

Tires

- Tires mounted on rims
- Tires whose rims exceed 16 1/2 inches

Miscellaneous Materials

- Old Glory (American Flag)
- Pathological and biological waste
- Ashes
- Radioactive materials
- Human or animal remains
- Animal products
- Offal (Internal organs of a butchered animal)
- Agricultural and farm machinery and equipment
- Tar
- Asphalt
- Sludge (except as approved with a special waste application)
- Sealed drums
- Pressurized containers
- Tree stumps
- Tree logs greater than 3 feet in length or 1 foot in diameter or width.
- Agricultural or other vegetative waste in such quantities as to cause the facility to operate outside of its BTU design parameters or in violation of any manufacturer's warranties
- Special Waste (except as approved with a special waste application)
 - water treatment, sewage treatment or industrial sludges, liquid, solids and contained gases; fly-ash and casting sands or slag; and contaminated dredge spoils;
 - scrap tires;
 - bulky waste, as defined in this section (Land clearing debris/waste resulting from C&D activities) (except material approved with a special waste application);
 - asbestos;
 - residue;
 - biomedical waste