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**To:** Mayor Nystrom and members of the City Council  
**From:** John Salomone, City Manager  
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Meetings attended were Southeastern Council of Governments Meeting (SCCOG), Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA) Board of Directors meeting, Bond signing and Emergency Preparation for the storm event on December 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Public Works assisted with clean up from the storm event that caused minor flooding at Brown Park and near the Intermodal Transportation Center. Due to high tides, the river overflowed its banks in certain areas with minimal damage to City property.

During the month of January, Taxpayers can present their current Real Estate, Personal Property, or Motor Vehicle Supplemental tax bills at the Norwich branches of M&T Bank (formerly Peoples) where payment(s) can be processed via cash or check. Delinquent taxes will not be accepted at bank locations and must be paid at the City Hall Tax Office located at 100 Broadway. Taxpayers do not need to be an M & T Bank customer to make their payment at a branch location. This partnership provides greater access and convenience to taxpayers. Payments can be made online at <http://norwichct.org/taxes>, through the mail and in-person.

Norwich Youth Family & Recreation Services Winter 2023 registration is still open with programs starting January 7<sup>th</sup>. Programs can be viewed at [www.norwichct.org](http://www.norwichct.org). The December Vacation Camp averaged 13-16 children per day assisting 15 families over the holiday break.

Hannah Ornburn from Youth, Family, and Recreation Department as the Drug Prevention Coordinator is working with my assistant, Jacquie Barbarossa to have a Narcan Training Session for City employees. Hannah, due to her participation in the Opioid Task Force, has put together some Opioid Safety Bags to be passed out to City departments in the next 2 weeks. These bags contain opioid use prevention materials, fentanyl test strips, Narcan, a QR code to a virtual Narcan training, and more. Once she meets with departments to determine the interest, in-person training(s) will be scheduled.

Thank you to those that sponsored or donated to Norwich Human Services, "Adopt A Family Program". NHS was able to provide gifts to 124 Norwich Families which included 308 children.

Congratulations to Leon Barnowski on his retirement. Leon started in the City's the MIS Department in January of 1999 and has lead the City through numerous technology upgrades. We thank him for his service.