



# Town of Glastonbury

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Richard J. Johnson  
Town Manager

ITEM #7  
02-12-2019 Meeting

February 8, 2019

The Glastonbury Town Council  
2155 Main Street  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

**Re: Town Manager's Report**

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up to date on various topics.

1. **New Sidewalk Construction – Neipsic Road**

The attached letter and petition requests construction of new sidewalks along Neipsic Road between Wickham Road and Karen Lee Road. This project is included on the Sidewalk Matrix with an overall rating of 4. The preliminary cost estimate totals \$290,000. I have provided Council with a copy of my letter acknowledging the petition.

2. **Audit Exit Interview**

Council is asked to appoint two representatives to the Audit Exit Interview Committee. This is to review the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2018. Representatives from the Board of Education, Board of Finance, and respective Town staff also attend this meeting with members of the Audit Team from Blum & Shapiro. Suggested dates are Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at noon.

3. **Proposed State Legislation**

Per the attached, State Legislation is proposed by State DPH to evaluate levels of uranium in well water in Glastonbury. As I understand, this proposal seeks funding for such analysis.

4. **Security Analysis**

As referenced previously, the plan is to conduct an independent audit of Town security for IT systems. Efforts continue to identify the most cost effective, comprehensive approach to this work.

Sincerely,

  
Richard J. Johnson  
Town Manager

RJJ/sal  
Attachments

1/30/2019

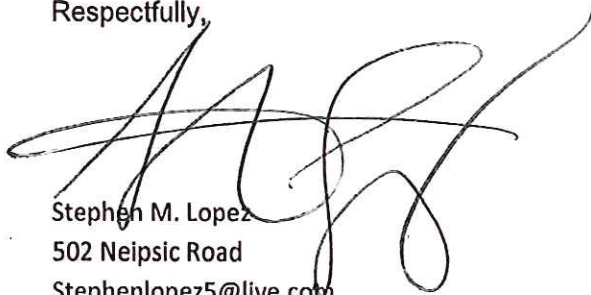
To the Town Manager of Glastonbury-

The purpose of this letter is for residents that live on and adjacent to Neipsic Road, between Karen Lee and Wickham Road Extension, to propose to the town that a sidewalk extension be added along the south side of Neipsic Road between the aforementioned roads. According to the town website, a portion of the town's budget is set aside for town beautification/improvement projects such as this, and in particular sidewalk additions and extensions. I feel the addition of this sidewalk will create safe and effective paths for residents to walk to adjacent neighborhoods, JB Williams Park, and other areas currently inaccessible due to the high speeds and constant flow of traffic along Neipsic. Additionally, a sidewalk would provide a safe path for joggers from all areas of the town, eliminating the dangerous situation of jogging on such a busy, hilly, windy road.

I submitted, in writing, the attached form to all residents along the proposed path and received the attached responses. Aside from one individual, the responses were all in favor of this proposed extension.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. I look forward to the town's response.

Respectfully,



Stephen M. Lopez  
502 Neipsic Road  
[Stephenlopez5@live.com](mailto:Stephenlopez5@live.com)  
(860)430-4327

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TOWN MANAGER

# Neipsic Road Sidewalk Request

Proposal: I propose we request a sidewalk be added to the south side of Neipsic Road between Karen Lee and the Wickham Road extension.

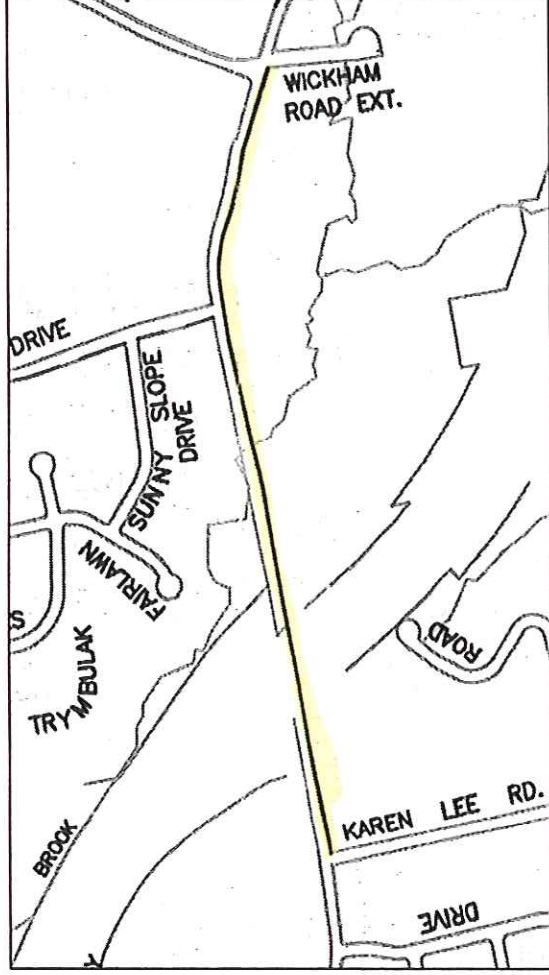
## Benefits:

- Access to J.B. Williams park
- Access to adjacent neighborhoods, NLT, GHS, Glastonbury Center, etc.
- Provides a safe path for walkers and runners instead of the road

Justification: The town of Glastonbury has a program that allocates funds annually for “...short sidewalk extensions, or to fill in sections of sidewalk where gaps exist...”

Below is a map available on the town website by going to [www.glastonbury-ct.gov](http://www.glastonbury-ct.gov), click on Departments>Department Directory (A-K)>Engineering and click on Sidewalks on the left-hand side.

The highlighted section of Neipsic Road shown below is marked as a “High Priority Sidewalk Extension”.



Next Steps: If you would like to show your support, please:

- Send me an email with 'Neipsic Road sidewalk' as the subject. I will send this form electronically for you to fill out and return.
- OR,
- If you prefer to fill this out and return the physical form, you can place it in my mailbox at 502 Neipsic Road.

**Please return the form by January 14<sup>th</sup>.** I will then submit a request to the town of Glastonbury for review and approval.

Should the town approve funding for the project, there will be an open hearing for home owners to speak if they wish.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Steve Lopez  
502 Neipsic Road  
Stephenlopez5@live.com

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I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to show my support for the extension of a sidewalk on the south side of Neipsic road between Karen

Lee Road and Wickham Road extension.

My address is \_\_\_\_\_, Glastonbury, CT.

My email address is \_\_\_\_\_

Questions, comments, concerns

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February 6, 2019

Mr. Stephen Lopez  
502 Neipsic Road  
Glastonbury, CT 06033

**Re: Sidewalks – Neipsic Road**

Dear Mr. Lopez:

Thank you for your recent letter and petition requesting construction of sidewalks along Neipsic Road between Karen Lee and Wickham Road. As background, construction of new sidewalks is generally guided by a rating system involving ten separate criteria. Each project is rated by these criteria and given a score to help establish priorities. The project you describe is included on the "Sidewalk Matrix" with a generally high score. The preliminary project estimate totals \$290,000.

The construction of sidewalks is funded through the Town's capital program and as you might expect, there are many priorities and finite resources. For 2019, the priority is to complete the final phase (Mallard to Stockade) of the Main Street/Route 17 project. This will complete the multi-year initiative to provide sidewalks along Main Street/Route 17 from East Hartford to South Glastonbury.

Future year projects will depend on priorities and available funding. I will forward a copy of your letter and petition to the Town Council for their collective information and keep you advised with respect to future funding and projects under review.

Again, thank you to you and your neighbors for your letter and petition. If I can be of any further help or respond to any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Johnson  
Town Manager

RJJ/sal

cc: Town Council



General Assembly

January Session, 2019

**Proposed Bill No. 368**

LCO No. 2685



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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

SEN. CASSANO, 4th Dist.

REP. BARRY, 31st Dist.

REP. DOUCETTE, 13th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF HIGH LEVELS OF URANIUM IN  
THE TOWN OF GLASTONBURY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the Department of Public Health be required to study the issue
- 2 of high levels of uranium in the water of private residential wells in the
- 3 town of Glastonbury.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To study and protect residents from high levels of uranium in private well water.