

Town Clerk & Tax Collector Report

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

2022 was a very busy year for elections, we had three: Town Election, September State Primary and the November General Election.

The Town Election was held at the Canaan Fire Station on March 8, 2022. We had 586 ballots cast with 18 new voter registrations. I would like to give special thanks to our fire department and highway department. They have to move all of the trucks out of the fire station for each election and during cold weather that is not an easy task. We have an excellent group of folks that make everything run smoothly and we do appreciate all of the work involved. I heartily thank all of the ballot clerks and supervisors of the checklist. They are volunteering their time and expertise to the town and all of us appreciate the hours of service they give to the Town of Canaan.

The State Primary election was held on September 13, 2022. There were 266 Democratic ballots cast and 241 Republican ballots cast. There were 23 new voter registrations.

The State General Election was held on November 8, 2022. There were 1,607 ballots cast with 98 new voter registrations.

We have received a greater quantity of online vehicle registrations and property tax payments this year. I believe the pandemic changed the way many people are conducting business. The online process gives our citizens the choice of how they would like to pay for town services. If you would like to receive emailed renewal updates, let us know your email and we will get you on the list. Please note that we do process boat registrations at the town office, just bring your current boat registration with you if it has been registered in the past.

The Federal Government mandate that a "Real ID" driver license (or current US Passport) would be needed to board domestic flights and enter some federal facilities has been postponed. Effective May 7, 2025, a federally compliant Driver License or Non-Driver Identification Card, or a Passport will be required to board an airplane for domestic flights or enter a secure federal facility. Your current Driver License or Non-Driver Identification Card will be accepted until May 7, 2025.

I have enjoyed the past 20 years at the Canaan Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office. I thank everyone for supporting me over the years. I love this town and am very thankful to be a part of the day to day operations for our community.

I would like to thank Ann Labrie for her dedication and excellent work as Deputy Town Clerk/ Tax Collector. Ann has been deputy Town Clerk-Tax Collector since 2004.

**Respectfully submitted,
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