

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Carrie Juhasz,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2018-0622

Town Manager, Town of Killingly;
and Town of Killingly,

Respondents

March 13, 2019

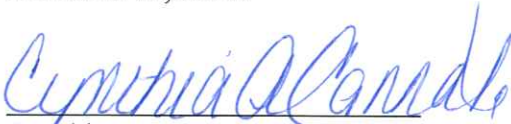
The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on January 25, 2019 at 1:00 P.M, at which time the respondents appeared, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.

Acting Town Manager Paul Hopkins appeared at the hearing. The hearing officer notes that Mr. Hopkins represented that, prior to the hearing, he and his staff had spent approximately 70 hours gathering and reviewing the records that the complainant had requested in three separate requests. Mr. Hopkins represented that, by email dated October 4, 2018, the respondents informed the complainant that the records were ready for her. Thereafter, by certified mail dated October 9, 2018, the respondents again informed the complainant that she could pick up the requested records. However, Mr. Hopkins further represented that the complainant never retrieved the records from the respondents. The hearing officer also notes that Mr. Hopkins departed Killingly and traveled one and a half hours to arrive at the scheduled hearing on time, only to have a seven minute hearing and travel back to Killingly.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above-captioned complaint:

1. The complaint is hereby dismissed.
2. The complainant is admonished for her failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce local and state resources.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of March 13, 2019.



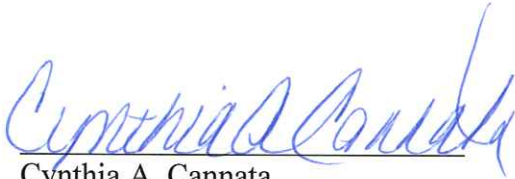
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PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-180(c), G.S., THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF EACH PARTY AND THE MOST RECENT MAILING ADDRESS, PROVIDED TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION, OF THE PARTIES OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE PARTIES TO THIS CONTESTED CASE ARE:

CARRIE JUHASZ, 38 Day Street, Brooklyn, CT 06234

TOWN MANAGER, TOWN OF KILLINGLY; AND TOWN OF KILLINGLY,
172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239



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