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Message From The Greens Farms Association

By Art Shoeller, Greens Farms Association President

The New Year, 2016 is here, and there is no lack of things to do for the Greens Farms Association! Your board meets monthly to discuss and determine action plans for issues critical to the neighborhood. Here are two that currently are on the docket.

Shaping up to be yet another hugely debated topic in Westport is the investigation and plans to restore or improve the William F. Cribari Memorial Bridge over the Saugatuck River. The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CDOT) recent analysis indicates a number of options to restore, repair, or replace the bridge. A public information meeting held in November indicated there was strong support to preserve it due to its unique historical significance. The Association is supportive of preservation, but with a mind's eye towards public safety as well. What we would not want is an increase in traffic handling capacity that would spill unto Greens Farms Road. We have enough issues already, especially during traffic incidents on I-95. An increase in traffic handling would make this route an even more attractive bypass than it is today.

A second topic is a strategic review of our fire department. One of our board members, Ron Vigars, is on the committee reviewing the study. In 2001, the Association was a critical party that fought for and won the battle to keep the fire station in Greens Farms. Today homes are bigger, housing more electronics with more exotic materials, and there is no lack of accidents on I-95 to respond to. Our firefighters are on the fore front of helping to preserve the quality of life in Greens Farms. It's important to understand their current capacities and plans for the future to keep it that way.

Our best source of issues to tackle is you, our neighbors in Greens Farms. Let us know of anything you see that will have an impact on the quality of life in our neighborhood. Send an email to **contact@greensfarms.org.**