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From: Ray Sajdak <rsajdak@portlandct.org>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 3:25 PM
To: Main Account
Cc: Michelle Ceppaglia; Susan Bransfield
Subject: RE: St. Clements Castle

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Attorney Grady,

Sorry for the delay in responding to your request. I was leaving for vacation when I received your request & forwarded it to our 1st Selectwoman's office for response to the receiving the request. I was not aware of any fireworks displays conducted on the premises of St. Clements Castle since becoming Fire Marshal in 2008. Furthermore, a review of our files determined no permits had been issued for the location.

You are correct regards to the permitting of the use of fireworks or pyrotechnics requiring both State & local officials in the event a permit is pulled. However, if permits are not being pulled by the land owner or shooter, we would not have any records of the event. I will tell you that I have not received one complaint regarding the use of fireworks or pyrotechnics at that location.

If you should need any further information or assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Raymond S. Sajdak IAAI-CFI, NAFI-CFEI, CVFI

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From: Main Account [<mailto:wdgesq@snet.net>]
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 11:28 AM
To: Ray Sajdak
Subject: St. Clements Castle

Please see attached correspondence. Thank you.

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RE: **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST**
St. Clements Castle

Dear Attorney Grady:

This letter acknowledges receipt on June 27, 2019 of your FOIA (copy enclosed) that was submitted to the Fire Marshal, requesting the following:

- ...any and all permits issued for the display of fireworks at St. Clements at any time from 1992 to the present.

The Connecticut Freedom of Information Act requires a public agency to provide access to public meetings and public documents, not answer questions or aggregate information for the requesting party. Copies, printouts or transcriptions are 50¢ per page copied. If the total amount for printed copies is ten dollars (\$10.00) or more payment must be submitted in advance.

The Fire Marshal and Land Use Office will search their files for the information and advise you of the status of your request as soon as possible. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Susan S. Bransfield
First Selectwoman
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Enclosure (1)

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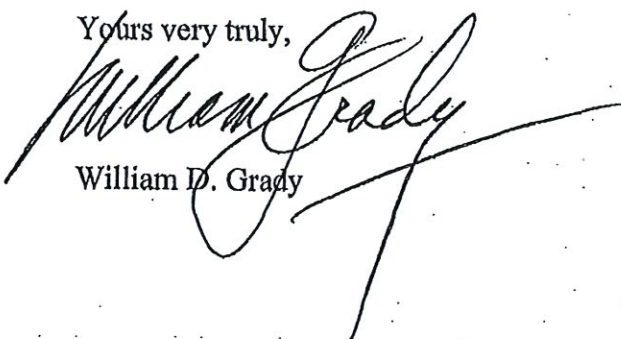
Re: St. Clements Castle
1931 Portland-Cobalt Road
Portland, CT 06480

Dear Mr. Sajdak:

This letter is written to you at the suggestion of Richard Koltzbier, Fire Marshal, Town of East Hampton, in an effort to seek information pertaining to St. Clements Castle, Portland, CT. Specifically, I seek information regarding any and all permits issued for the display of fireworks at St. Clements at any time from 1992 to the present. It is my understanding that approval for pyrotechnics is required by the Town and State prior to use. Any information that you can provide me will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your attention to this request. I would be grateful for a prompt written response to this inquiry.

Yours very truly,


William D. Grady

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