

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: MAY 12, 2026****PUBLIC COMMENT**

<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Street Address</b>	<b>Comments: Per Council rules and procedures, please limit comments to what can reasonably be read to the meeting record in three (3) minutes or less. Please be mindful that this form is for public comment only. Please direct questions/general inquiries to Council members directly.</b>
Audrey	Yellen Quinlan	90 Candlelight Dr	Even though this is "water over the dam," I feel compelled to address the Superintendent's funding for the artificial turf statement, or should I say misstatement? A month before the November 2025 artificial turf referendum, Glastonbury's Superintendent stated that taxpayers' money wouldn't be used to pay for the artificial turf fields. At the March 23 2026, Board of Education meeting, Board Chair Doug Foyle made this statement: "The board, and certainly I have never said taxpayer dollars are not going to be used for the field. Um, board members have not I haven't heard a board member say that. The board has certainly not said that. Doctor Bookman did. But the board are the deciders, not Doctor Bookman. So we love Doctor Bookman....But if you're going to say the board, don't say the board did this because you lose credibility." Source: Transcript from Glastonbury Board of Education, March 23rd, 2026 meeting. After the Superintendent's statement, the Chair should have immediately corrected by saying, "The Board is the deciders, not Dr. Bookman." For months, the Chair was silent. On March 23rd, the Chair went on to admonish the public who spoke at the meeting by saying, "Don't say the Board did this because you lose credibility." This statement by Chair Foyle is comical because, after months of discussion about the project's funding, neither the Board's chair nor Board members clarified the Superintendent's misstatement. The speakers were simply repeating the Superintendent's statement, which the Board of Education failed to correct. The Board lost credibility! This is another example of the Board of Education keeping the taxpaying public "in the dark." .
Lisa	Mendum	45 Candlewood Road	I would like to ask that town council support adding very necessary safety measures outside naubuc school such as raised crosswalks, flashing beacons and speed cameras. It is very disappointing that towns staff who knew about the on-going Safe Streets for All project have not emphasized what a hotspot naubuc school/Griswold street is. It seems like this has been apparent for a very long time yet staff have still advocated for the apartment access across from naubuc. I submitted a FOIA request to GPS asking for a detailed transaction report of the 2% fund. This should take all of five minutes to produce and be a very simple, easily accessible printout. Town council has a responsibility to tax payers to get these questions answered. The Turf fields install should be on hold until we know how \$4m has been accumulated. We were promised tax dollars would not be used. We also need the materials composition to make sure it is as promised and PFAS free. Requests for future 2% fund detail is not enough. Town council must request this project be on hold immediately. I don't see how taxpayers can have any faith or trust going forward in the parties involved. Thank you all for your dedication and service to our town.
Lisa	Eldridge	108 S Mill Drive	What can be done to stop the artificial turf project? The residents were promised that there would be no PFAS or crumb rubber, and that no taxpayer money would be used. Instead all three of these promises have been broken. In addition to that, the community has a right to know what contaminants that could present health hazards are present in the fields.