



For the Week Ending June 12, 2015

While by no means a total representation of all the work performed by the Town, the following highlights some Departments' activities:

Public Works Department
Bryan Osborne, Director

- Mill Pond Road reconstruction project is underway and is expected to be completed in the next 2-3 weeks. The bridge replacement project is still underway and will not be completed until mid-October of this year, at which point the road is expected to be re-opened.
- River Road sidewalk project remains in the right-of-way phase with plans for construction this year.
- Morehouse Brook culvert project remains in the right-of-way phase with plans for construction later this year
- West Lakeshore Drive multi-use path project is entering the right-of-way phase with construction planned for 2018. A grant application for \$500,000 is be submitted for this project to supplement the \$800,000 in grants already received.
- Design is continuing for sidewalks on Water Tower Hill. A \$82,000 grant was recently received for this project to supplement the \$75,000 in grants already received.
- The roof on the rescue building is being replaced.
- Replacement of the Airport Park maintenance facilities is being advanced with construction expected to proceed this fall
- Work is continuing with the Storm Water Advisory Committee to develop a storm water utility for the Town

For more information about the Public Works Department, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/publicworks> or call (802) 264-5620.

Economic Development Department
Kathi Walker O'Reilly, Director

Congratulations to Champlain Cable Corporation for receiving the Vermont Chamber's 2015 Business of the Year Award. Congratulations also go out to Vermont Public Radio. This week, VPR broke ground on an \$8 million expansion and renovation of its headquarters in Fort Ethan Allen.

Expansions/Relocations:

- New business relocating to Colchester Exit 16 area
- New business relocation to Colchester Severance Corners Area

Projects Include:

- Visitor Center at Severance Corners.
- Lower Bayside Park recreation & marketing opportunities

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- Launch of new website
- Researching Possible Incubator space for vacant building
- Tourism brochure & map
- Possible Maker Space opportunity
- Meetings with various groups regarding marketing and grant opportunities
- Assistance with Malletts Bay Initiative and public forums

For more information about the Community and Economic Development Office, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/econdev> or call (802) 264-5508.

Planning and Zoning Department
Sarah Hadd, Director

The Colchester Planning and Zoning Department reports the following for the week of June 8, 2015:

- The Colchester Development Review Board will meet on June 24th to consider following applications: 1) Site Plan application of George and Cynthia Wilson for filling on a property exceeding 100 cubic yards of materials at 100 Depot Road, Tax Map 8, Parcel 45; 2) Sketch Plan application of Severance Corners Village Center, LLC to amend a 241 unit 97,059 sq. ft. mixed commercial Planned Unit Development to add 25 single family residences and 3 duplexes for a total of 272 dwelling units at 2588 Blakely Road, Tax Map 8, Parcel 37-1; and 3) Final Plat, Site Plan, and Conditional Use applications of Riverside Farm, LLC for a Planned Unit Development consisting of demolition of an existing single-family dwelling and barn and a two lot subdivision resulting in Lot One 3.12 acres with 13 residential units and 7,000 sq. ft. of office/medical use and Lot Two as a 8.38 acre common land lot at 527 Heineberg Drive, Tax Map 5, Parcel 5.
- The Planning Commission held a series of public events on the Malletts Bay Initiative on May 19th and June 2nd. The surveys taken at these events can be found on-line via www.colchestervt.gov on the Planning & Zoning Department website. Please visit this website for more information throughout the summer as the Commission begins to develop zoning regulations based upon the input provided.
- The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on June 16th at 7PM on Supplement 37 to the Colchester Zoning Regulations in the Community Room at the Colchester Police Department. This supplement would make the following changes if approved by the Commission and subsequently the Select Board (TBA):
 - Amend Section 6.03 to clarify the Floodplain Regulations and allow floodproofing of structures to be done administratively through the building permit process, allow for the enlargement of residential structures that are floodproofed so long as the footprint is maintained or reduced, and allow for the rebuilding of sheds so long as they are wet-flood proofed;
 - Amend Section 7.03 to change the Shoreland District bounds to 250 feet from the mean watermark of Colchester Pond and Lake Champlain (delete Winooski & Lamoille Rivers), clarify tree cutting and replanting requirements, and add paths to permitted uses as long as they are meeting the set dimensional requirements for stairs;

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- Amend Section 7.04 Water Protection District to include a new Fluvial Erosion Hazard Overlay District that mimics the Shoreland District under Section 7.03 however only applies to the Winooski and Lamoille Rivers;
- Amend Zoning Map to rezone parcels as codified in Appendix F herein: 25-005003 R3 to GD1 and Portions of Parcel ID #41-035002 GD1 to R3 (per Zoning Map);
- Amend Section 2.03 District Boundaries to clarify Floodplain District boundaries;
- Amend Section 2.12B to include reference to Section 6.03 and 7.04.

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