

For the Week Ending May 13, 2016

**Upcoming Town Meetings:**

- **Selectboard:** Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, Town Meeting House on Main Street.
- **Development Review Board:** Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, at the Meeting House.

**Upcoming events:**

- **Torch Run for Special Olympics:** Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Meet at noon at the Colchester Police Department. Choose your distance; run one mile or up to six miles.
- The official “**Grand Opening**” of the new Town dinghy dock will take place on Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. The dock is located at Lower Bayside Park and is available for use now by visiting boaters who wish to explore Colchester attractions.

**Notices:**

- The Colchester Conservation Commission will not have their regular May meeting on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. In lieu of the meeting members facilitated Green-Up Day and will be busy planting flowers around Colchester during the last week of May for Colchester Blooms.

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

**Town Manager's Office**

Town Manager, Dawn Francis

On Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> Town of Colchester volunteers participated in two events that benefited our community and beyond. **Green-Up Day**, an annual event in towns across Vermont for many years, brought together hundreds of volunteers who picked up roadside “flotsam and jetsam” left behind after our long winter. Final statistics will be available in a week or two, but preliminary counts indicate at least 378 volunteers participated in clean up and the first roll-off container weighed in with 1.71 tons of trash. Special thanks go to the Colchester Conservation Commission and member Robin Orr, who was the Green-Up Coordinator this year; to Cub Scout Pack 655 for volunteering for the “umpteenth” year in a row; and to the Colchester-Milton Rotary, whose members sponsored the hotdog cookout after the clean-up. A big thank you goes to Myers Container for generously donating the roll-off dumpster for

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trash collection once again this year. Last, but never least, thanks to all the Colchester residents who gave their time and labor to make Green-Up Day a success.

Also on May 7<sup>th</sup> was The First Annual Burlington vs. Colchester Charity Hockey Games to benefit the Burlington and Colchester Emergency Food Shelves. The teams played three games and raised \$400 and collected an estimated 50 pounds of food to be distributed between the two organizations. Special thanks to Melissa Cate, Recreation Facilities Manager at Burlington Parks, Recreation & Waterfront, who scheduled the games and donated ice time; and Colchester Health and Wellness members, who helped with the flyer, signup sheets and getting the word out about the event. Our gratitude goes out to the participants of both communities who supported the event.

For more information about the Town Manager's Office, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/manager> or call (802) 264-5509.

### **Economic Development Department Kathi Walker O'Reilly, Director**

Many projects are ongoing in the Economic Development Department, including work on the Community Center and Bayside Park Master Plan, GIS mapping for various Town applications by UVM students at no cost to the Town; finalizing design elements with VTrans for the new Exit 16; and proposed new zoning for West Lakeshore Drive. Additionally:

- Researching opportunities for the Town's Communications Plan
- Met with area hotels and local vendors to create marketing partnerships
- Exploring possibilities for future promotion of Colchester with new Colchester Sun editor, Courtney Lamdin.

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### **Planning and Zoning Department Sarah Hadd, Director**

- The Colchester Development Review Board will meet on May 25th to review the following applications:
  - 1) Final plat and site plan applications of J. Brooker, LLC and Malletts Bay House, LLC for a 5 lot planned unit development subdivision with each lot to contain a single family home excepting lot on that will have a duplex locate at Jen Barry Lane (parcel 47-001012) and 224 Hazen Lyon Road (parcel 46-033002)

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2) Conditional use application of Matthew and Alma Sears for an eight-foot high fence to be located at 204 Main Street (parcel 26-014003)

3) Final plat and site plan applications of Brigante Living Trust and Rivers Edge Building Development, LLC for a 45 unit planned unit development subdivision of a 25.23 acre parcel resulting in 19 single family homes, 13 duplex structures, one common parcel and associated infrastructure including a public road at 239 Malletts Bay Avenue (parcel 06-008002)

4) Site plan application of Dorothy Mazza Revocable Trust and Malletts Bay Veterinary Hospital for a 5,039 sq. ft. veterinary hospital with associated infrastructure including 20 parking spaces at 0 Blakely Road (parcel 06-015002)

5) Sketch plan application of RAM Properties for an eight (8) unit planned unit development subdivision of a 1.97 acre parcel resulting in the retention of four units in two existing structures, a new proposed triplex to be accessed off Middle Road, and a new single family residence located at 391 Main Street (parcel 26-028013)

6) Preliminary plat application of Shawn and Lisa Darby for a 4 lot planned unit development subdivision of a 34.40 acre parcel resulting in three new single family dwellings located at 590 Red Rock Road (parcel 77-005000).

- The Planning Commission held a public forum on the proposed zoning for the Malletts Bay Initiative at its April 19th meeting. At their May 3rd meeting, the Commission reviewed comments from the forum and unanimously decided to warn a public hearing on the draft regulations for Tuesday, June 7th at 7PM at the Kirker Room at 835 Blakely Road. Information on the draft can be found online at: [www.tinyurl.com/mallettsbayvt](http://www.tinyurl.com/mallettsbayvt). Comments can be e-mailed to [pzinfo@colchestervt.gov](mailto:pzinfo@colchestervt.gov) or mailed to the Commission c/o the Town Offices.

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