

For the Week of December 9, 2019

Manager's Message

Aaron Frank, Town Manager

The Town website, www.colchestervt.gov has been updated to simplify use on mobile devices, focus on Town services and provide simpler navigation.

There are five main navigation areas:

- [Town Services](#) includes information on Town departments that provide direct public services: Assessor, Cemeteries, Economic Development, Parks & Recreation, Planning & Zoning, Public Works, Police, Rescue, and Town Clerk
- [Library](#) now features:
 - o **Traditional library lending services** for adults, children, and young adults
 - o **Computer and internet access**, scanning, printing, and copying
 - o **Online classes** from accounting to writing; language learning; and preparation for testing, **from commercial driver's licenses to law school admissions**
 - o **Events and activities:** There are over 70 programs offered in December for people of all ages, including: tutoring, a Gingerbread/Graham Cracker House Contest, needle felting, escape rooms, yoga, and music for toddlers
 - o **Read & More** includes audio books, e-books, sets of books for discussion groups, maker kits, and museum & park passes
- [Local Services](#) includes services not provided by the Town: Colchester Historical Society, Colchester School District, Fire Departments, and Water Supply Services
- [Government](#) Boards & Commissions, Schedule for Public Meetings, Town Volunteers, State Representatives, Finance Department, Human Resources and Town Manager
- [Contact Us](#) includes department directories with phone and email contacts. If you have a service question we can better assist you when contacted directly, as it is easier to get follow up information.

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

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Economic Development Department
Kathi Walker O'Reilly, Director

- Website: new layout launched
- Working with local small business on VEDA funding sources to assist with new equipment purchases.
- Met with Green Mountain Surgical Center and am arranging tour for state legislative representatives
- Attended SSTA Retirement Party for outgoing executive director.
- Attended SSTA Board Meeting
- Met with Project Manager for the Exit 16 DDI regarding outreach in 2020.
- Co-Chair Colchester Milton Rotary Holiday Baskets and supplying food, toys, books and small clothing items to over 100 families in Colchester
- Working with Colchester manufacturer to diversify customer base and coordinating with resources to assist in multiple facets.
- Working with food manufacturer on multiple options from various federal resources.

For more visit <http://www.colchestervt.gov/econdev> or call (802) 264-5508.

Planning and Zoning Department
Sarah Hadd, Director

The Planning Commission continues to work on the Malletts Bay Initiative Wastewater Solutions and invites the public to provide comments on its draft findings by December 13th through the PZ Office at 781 Blakely Rd. or email at shadd@colchestervt.gov. For more information see tinyurl.com/ColchesterMBI.

The Commission will hold a hearing on Supplement to the Development Regulations correcting shed setbacks and other minor corrections on December 17th at 7PM at the Town Offices.

The Development Review Board will meet on December 11th and consider the following applications:

- 1) Site plan and conditional use applications of Severance Corners Village Center, LLC for a 57-unit 15,920 sq. ft. residential building at 60 Severance Green, parcel 08-037013;
- 2) Site plan application of 5460 Roosevelt Highway, LLC for a retail use for agricultural products in accordance with 24VSA Section 4412(11)(D) located at 5460 Roosevelt Highway, parcel 14-015000
- 3) Site plan application of Charles Mass and Elizabeth Sanford and Deborah Drewniak for bank stabilization along the Winooski River in the flood plain district with bioengineering solutions located at 407 and 429 River Road, parcels 36-010002 and 36-011002

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4) Final plat application of Ireland Industries, Inc. for a planned unit development to subdivide a 33.7 acre parcel into 37 lots in size from .13 acres to 8.86 acres to be comprised of mixed uses to include office commercial space, restaurant space, daycare space, retail space and residential units to be served by public streets located at 242 Severance Road, parcel 04-030013

5) Final plat application of Rivers Edge Building Development, LLC to increase the footprint lots within a previously approved 49 unit, 28 lot planned residential development on an 50.5 acre parcel developed with a single family residence located at 37, 45, 73 & 79 Wildlife Loop and 184,178,148 and 140 Lomartire Drive, tax map 6, parcels 5-29, 5-30,5-31, 5-32, 5-43, 5-44, 5-47, and 5-48

6) Final plat application of Rivers Edge Building Development, LLC to increase the footprint lots within a previously approved 45-unit, 22-lot planned unit development on a undeveloped 25.23 acre lot located at 440, 448, 221, 213, 203 and 195 Annas Court, tax map 6, parcels 8-26, 8-27, 8-38, 8-39, 8-40 and 8-41

7) Final plat application of Rivers Edge Building Development, LLC to increase the footprint lots within a previously approved 7 unit residential Planned Unit Development on a 3.51 acre parcel comprised of a single family residence and three (3) duplex units located at 21 Florence Lane, parcel 27-016003.

For more visit <http://colchestervt.gov/planningz> or call (802) 264-5600.

Department of Public Works
Bryan Osborne, Director

- Continuing to advance the design for the reconstruction of the Prim and West Lakeshore Drive Intersection project.
- Preparing to request bids for the reconstruction of the Blakely Road/Laker Lane Intersection next summer.
- Applied for a grant to advance the design of a roundabout at the Bayside intersection.
- Continuing the design for stormwater improvements in Shore Acres and the surrounding area to improve water quality in Malletts Bay.
- Continuing on the development of a phosphorus control plan to improve water quality in Malletts Bay.
- Continuing to advance 30% engineering for the replacement of culverts beneath Lower Mt. View Drive.

For more visit <http://colchestervt.gov/publicworks> or call (802) 264-5620.

Upcoming Town Meetings:

- Planning Commission: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, 7:00 PM. Next meeting: 12/17

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- Development Review Board: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 PM. January meeting: 1/8
 - Recreation Advisory Board: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 AM, Champlain Room, 2nd floor. January meeting: 1/8
 - Cemetery Advisory Committee: December meeting: Thursday, 12/19, 8 AM in the Champlain Conference Room, Colchester Town Offices, 2nd floor.
 - Conservation Commission: 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00 PM, at the Bayside Activity Center or per agenda. Next meeting: 1/20/20
 - Library Board of Trustees: 3rd Thursday of the month, 4:30 PM at Burnham Library. Next meeting: 12/19
 - Selectboard: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM. The 12/24 meeting is cancelled in observance of Christmas Eve. January meeting: 1/14
- (All meetings take place at the Colchester Town Offices, 781 Blakely Road, in the Outer Bay Conference Room on the 3rd floor unless otherwise noted.)

Upcoming events:

- **Operation Firecuffs:** The 9th Annual Operation Firecuffs is collecting presents to deliver with Santa at the UVM Children's Hospital. New, unwrapped toys can be dropped at Colchester Police Department or in the lobby of the Town Offices. Last day to donate will be December 18, 2019. Toys will be delivered December 19. Some suggestions from the hospital: *Infants:* Rattles, mobiles; *Toddlers:* Musical, pop-up, stand & walk and stacking toys, large blocks; *School Age:* Legos, art kits, athletic gear, balls. Tweens: Nail polish, lotion, journals. Gift cards: iTunes, Walmart, Best Buy, etc. See the Colchester PD Facebook page for further details.

Notices of Closures and Cancellations:

- **The Town Offices will close at noon** on Tuesday, December 24 and be **closed** on Wednesday, December 25 in observance of Christmas
- **The 12/24 meeting of the Colchester Selectboard** has been *cancelled*
- **The Town Offices will close at noon** on Tuesday, December 31 and be **closed** on Wednesday, January 1, 2020, in observance of New Year.
- **The Conservation Commission** has cancelled its December meeting.

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