

For the Week of December 27, 2022

Manager's Message

Aaron Frank, Town Manager

Storm Update:

We want to thank the following people for their dedicated service and for keeping us safe during last week's storm and through the holiday weekend: Colchester Public



Works and Parks Departments; Colchester Police, Fire, Rescue, including career and volunteer staff; and phone, cable, and healthcare workers.

We also thank Green Mountain Power for their preparation efforts and amazing work, overnight and in cold wind, to bring power back and keep Colchester customers safe and warm.

Emergency Preparedness: All households should be ready for a storm or other event that causes an extended power outage. AM/FM radios with batteries can receive emergency information, as can a cell phone with a remote battery or solar charger.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency, which helps states coordinate resources and provides funding after large disasters, provides a list of suggested emergency supplies: https://www.ready.gov/sites/default/files/2021-02/ready_checklist.pdf

January is fast approaching, and your Town staff wishes all residents, businesses, and visitors a happy, healthy, and safe new year to come!

In observance, there will be adjusted hours:

Town Offices

Friday, December 30th: 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Monday, January 2nd: CLOSED

Library

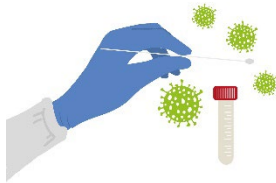
Friday, December 30th: 10 AM – 3:00 PM

Saturday, December 31st: CLOSED

Monday, January 2nd: CLOSED



Emergency services, winter snow and ice removal, and other emergency work will be provided as usual. Happy New Year!



At-Home COVID-19 Tests Available to Order

As of Dec. 15, each household in the United States became eligible to receive a new set of four [at-home tests](#) in the mail.

Those interested in the no-cost tests can place their orders at [covidtests.gov](#). Help also is available on the phone at 800-232-0233.

The rapid antigen tests are being delivered through the U.S. Postal Service. People who order them are urged to [check their mail](#), as cold temperatures can lead to inaccurate results.

Department Updates

Parks & Recreation

The 2023 Winter Brochure is now out! This brochure covers the months of January-May. Register online here: <https://secure.rec1.com/VT/colchester-vt/catalog>

Upcoming Town Meetings

Selectboard: Tuesday, January 10th, 6:30 pm at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting or alternatively send a note, up to 1,000 words, to TownManager@colchestervt.gov with “Citizens to be Heard” in the Subject and their name and address in the body of the email. The email will be shared with the entire Selectboard prior to the meeting and included in the information packet at the next meeting (as the information packet for the current meeting is sent out along with the agenda).

- Watch the Meeting Online via Live Stream: <http://lcatv.org/live-stream-2>
- Agenda: www.bit.ly/Colchester-SB-Agendas

Conservation Commission: Monday, January 16th, 6:00 pm at the Colchester Town Offices, 2nd Floor, Champlain Room.

Agendas available: <http://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt>

Note: Agendas are posted at least 48 hours before the meeting, so you may find past agendas when clicking the link. Revisiting the link closer to the date of the meeting should provide you with the current agenda.

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