

Linda M. Hodge



First Selectman

**Board of Selectmen Special Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 10, 2009
Colchester Town Hall
Suite 201 at 8:00 a.m.**

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MEMBERS PRESENT: John Malsbenden, Rosemary Coyle (via phone conference), Stan Soby (via phone conference), and Greg Cordova (via phone conference)
MEMBERS ABSENT: First Selectman Linda Hodge
OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Caplet

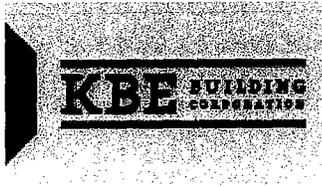
1. **Call to Order:** Acting First Selectman R. Coyle called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. **Citizen's Comments:** None
3. **Discussion and Possible Action on Youth Services KBE Building Corporation Grant Request:** J. Malsbenden moved to approve the Youth Services application for the KBE Building Corporation grant, and to authorize the First Selectman to sign all necessary documents, seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
4. **Adjourn:** J. Malsbenden moved to adjourn at 8:02 a.m., seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

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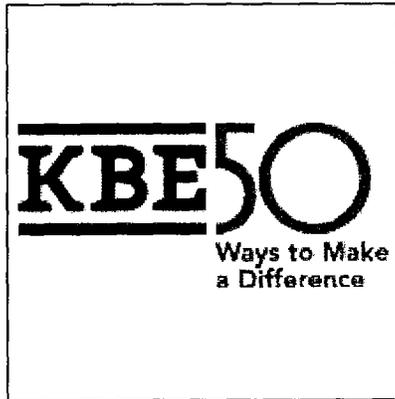
1. KBE Building Corporation grant application form dated 02/06/09

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Caplet
Executive Assistant to the First Selectman



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50 WAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

To have your community project considered as one of our *Make a Difference* projects, please complete the application. A selection committee will determine which projects are of high quality and execution. Support will include donation of staff volunteer time and financial contributions up to \$1 500 per project.

Applications must be returned by **February 15, 2009**.

Fields marked with * are required.

*Contact Name:

Valerie Geato

*Agency / Organization Name:

Colchester Youth Service Bureau

*Address 1:

127 Norwich Ave.

Address 2:

*City:

Colchester

*State:

CT

*Zip Code:

06415

Phone

860.537.7255

*E-Mail Address:

vgeato@colchesterct.gov

*Request a Project

- Services and Support for Children/Education
- Services and Support for Seniors
- Community Improvement Initiatives, such as:
 - Playground Repair/Enhancement Package (i.e., painting, new sand/mulch, signage)

- Athletic Field Package
(i.e., fence repair, dugout repair, soccer field im
- Town Green Package
(i.e., gazebo enhancements, landscaping, lighti
- Walking Trail Package
(i.e., benches, signage, surface repair)

*Please write a brief description of your project to includ organization(s) it will benefit. Be sure to include any dea dates associated with your project:

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One of the programs we offer is the "After-School CREW", a group for sixth grade boys who are facing social and emotional challenges and are at-risk of becoming involved in harmful behaviors. The CREW meets twice a week for two hours after school for the duration of the school year. During CREW meetings, the boys participate in activities designed to promote positive social and emotional development and interaction. Some of the topics we cover include: coping skills, expressing feelings, conflict resolution and social skills. We teach these skills through lots of hands-on projects and interactive experiences. All of these experiences aid in increased feelings of self-worth and improved self-esteem.

In past years, the CREW has celebrated a successful year with a challenging and rewarding camping and white water rafting trip. Past members have described the experience as "the best weekend of my life!" We would be thrilled to be able to provide a similar experience to another group of kids but unfortunately, due to cuts in local funding, we will not be able to take the rafting trip this year without the help of a program such as your 50 Ways To Make a Difference project. If selected by your company, the trip will take place on or around June 20, 2009.

We know this program makes a difference in the lives of kids who participate because they have told us so. We've also witnessed first hand the positive changes in their attitudes and behaviors toward school, family and their peers. Finally, we have documented improvements in academic performance and a decrease in school discipline referrals.

The cost of this program is \$1100.00, the value is priceless.