

Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Board of Selectmen Minutes Special Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 3, 2019 Colchester Town Hall @ 2pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Art Shilosky, via teleconference; Selectman Rosemary Coyle, Selectman Denise Mizla and Selectman Denise Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Selectman Stan Soby

OTHERS PRESENT: CFO M Cosgrove, one civic student and clerk T Dean

- Call to Order
 A Shilosky called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- 2. Citizen's Comment none
- 3. Discussion and Possible Action on Finance Department Payroll & Accounts Payable Manager Job Description M Cosgrove stated that there have been two recent retirements in the Finance office. Met with Superintendent and First Selectman to make minor changes to existing job description. M Cosgrove reviewed revisions in the job description. M Cosgrove stated that she has reviewed changes with the union and there is no change to salary. As a courtesy the job description will go before the Board of Education personnel committee.

R Coyle moved to approve the final proposed draft dated 5/29/2019 to become the job description of Finance Department Payroll/Employee Benefits & Accounts Payable Manager, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved, MOTION CARRIED.

4. Adjourn

D Mizla moved to adjourn at 2:08 p.m., seconded by D Turner. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Attachment: Job description revised and final

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Dean, Clerk



Town of Colchester/Colchester Public Schools Job Description

Finance Department Payroll/Employee Benefits & Accounts Payable Manager

OVERVIEW

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WORK SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. with a half hour lunch break (40 hours/week).

SUPERVISOR

Work under the direct supervision of the Chief Financial Officer.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Responsible for oversight and maintenance of payroll & employee benefits databases in coordination with Human Resources departments and contracted third party employee benefits administrators and insurance carriers.
- Maintain and update deduction and employer contribution records for all union and non-union employees, including any required reports, for the following: 457 deferred compensation plan, 401(a) defined contribution plan, 403(b) plan, defined benefit pension plan, State Teachers Retirement plan, health insurance, Section 125 medical & dependent care, employee health savings accounts, and garnishments.
- Assists CFO in preparation of annual payroll budgets.
- Prepare and maintain payroll and benefits data for collective bargaining negotiations as requested.
- Work with Human Resources departments to report workers compensation claims, and provide additional information as necessary.
- Maintain OSHA reports.
- Responsible for preparation, review and distribution to all employees of Federal and State W-2 forms, and Federal Form 1095 related to reporting requirements under the Affordable Care Act. Prepare and submit applicable quarterly and annual State & Federal tax reports.
- Payroll processing review and supervise payroll calculations and data entry of hours/earnings/deductions into payroll accounting system.
- Review payroll financial reports and data against source documents for accuracy, including comparison of data maintained in other software programs (such as Aesop).
- Verify/balance all payroll reports.
- Responsible for processing of all payroll remittances to employees, including checks and direct deposits.
- · Maintain payroll database on all employees.
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- Responsible for oversight and maintenance of employee benefits database in coordination with Human Resources department and contracted Employee Benefits Administrator.
- Review invoices from insurance carriers for employee related insurance and submit for payment.
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- Prepare and maintain payroll and benefits data for collective bargaining negotiations as requested.
- Accounts Payable processing review and supervise processing of purchase orders, invoices for payment, including data entry into accounting system.
- Maintain accounts payable database on all vendors.
- Supervise processing of 1099 forms to vendors and prepare and submit applicable State & Federal tax reports.
- Verify and post data in accordance with state and federal regulations and acceptable accounting
 practices to maintain centralized payroll, accounts payable and budget control system.
- Transmit all direct deposit and electronic fund transfer (EFT) files to Financial Institutions.
- · Work directly with Town and School Departments and personnel as requested by the CFO.
- Perform additional duties/tasks as may be directed by the CFO.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Must have:
 - Excellent written and oral communication skills.
 - Understanding of procedures and requirements of the Freedom of Information Act or ability to learn.
- Must be able to:
 - Recommend and administer policies and procedures including planning, financial management, report development and writing.
 - Establish and maintain accurate files and record systems.
 - Maintain a high level of confidentiality in and out of the office.
 - Review and process paperwork with a high degree of accuracy.
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 - Establish and maintain accurate files and record systems.
 - Be highly organized and prioritize when under pressure and with deadlines.
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 - Effectively operate information technology equipment and programs in an automated accounting system, including but not limited to Word, Excel, Munis, Powerpoint, Adobe Acrobat.
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