



# Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman

Board of Selectmen Special Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, at 6:00 PM

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TOWN CLERK

1. Call to Order – Meeting Called to Order at 6:01 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Correspondence
4. Citizens Comments
5. Consent Agenda
  - D. Turner made a motion to make the 7/7/22 Board of Selectmen Meeting minutes under the consent agenda as 5 and all other items under the consent agenda as 5A. 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Bates. **Motion carried unanimously 5-0**
  - D. Turner made a motion to make the First Selectman's statement removed from the minutes and entered in as an attachment to the minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Bisbikos. **Motion carried unanimously 5-0**
  - A. Approve the 7/7/22 Board of Selectmen Meeting amended minutes and 7/21/22 Board of Selectmen Meeting minutes
  - B. Accept the Tax Collector's Refunds for 8/4/22
  - C. Accept the Annual Contract for Parking for Senior Center Trips at St. Andrews Church and the Town of Colchester and have the First Selectman sign all necessary documents
  - D. Accept the Annual MOU with Thames Valley Council for Community Action and the Town of Colchester and have the First Selectman sign all necessary document
  - R. Coyle made a motion to approve of the 5A of the consent agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. LaChapelle. **Motion carried unanimously 5-0**
6. MOU Discussion
  - A. Possible action to approve of the MOU between the Colchester Hayward Fire Department and the Hebron Lions Club regarding the Hebron Harvest Fair and allow the First Selectman to sign all necessary documents
  - R. Coyle made a motion to approve of the MOU between the Colchester Hayward Fire Department and the Hebron Lions Club regarding the Hebron Harvest Fair and allow the First Selectman to sign all necessary documents. 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Turner. **Motion carried unanimously 5-0**
7. End of Year Budget Transfers



A. Possible action to approve of the Fiscal YR 2021-2022 budget transfers as recommended by the Director of Finance and move them to the Board of Finance for final approval

- No Action Taken

#### 8. ARPA Discussion

A. Possible action to approve of \$12022.23 in ARPA funding for EZ-Air out of left-over ARPA non-project allocated dollars for to fund the EZ AIR application

- A. Bisbikos provided an overview of the application. Novus will be doing a review to see if any other applications might have fallen either in the archive or spam folder. The Board of Selectmen agreed to take action on the application after an audit of all archive & spam folders.

B. ARPA Playbook Review, Updates, Next Steps

- A. Bisbikos provided an update on the Town Hall Roof, the Town Hall HVAC, the Playgrounds, the Hybrid Room, and SLR.

#### 9. August 18<sup>th</sup> – Regular Board of Selectmen meeting

A. Possible action to cancel the regular Board of Selectmen meeting of August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

- R. Coyle made a motion to cancel the regular Board of Selectmen meeting of August 18th, 2022. 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. LaChapelle. *Motion carried unanimously 5-0*

#### 10. First Selectman's Report

##### First Selectman's Report: 8/2

1. Last week, it was disclosed to me that an additional 750K will be coming to the town; with The Colchester Police Department, The Colchester Senior Center, and the Colchester Food Bank each receiving an additional \$250K.

Our town will always be grateful for his generosity and the positive legacy he will leave behind. May his memory be eternal, and his soul forever blessed.

1. Last Thursday, Officer John Zavalick was sworn into the Colchester Police Department. He brings over 29 years of experience. I am confident that he will be invaluable to our town. Let's all give him a warm welcome.
2. Fiscal 21-22 budget: Will both be balanced and exceed revenue projections. Our town exceeded revenue projections by 900K. That revenue will go into the unassigned fund balance and will now be utilized to lower future expenditures and ensure that this town runs efficiently on a lower mill rate for years to come.
3. Town Green Project: Anticipated start date will now be the end of August
4. The New Playground: Anticipated start date will be the end of August
5. Celebrate Colchester is coming Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> and it will be held on the Town Green. The event will be held from 1 PM – 5 PM and there may be a dunk tank.



6. Red Thread will be coming to Town Hall tomorrow to begin preliminary work on the Hybrid Meeting Room.
7. DOT has provided the Town the green light to update the Stop Ahead signs on Scoffield Road, Bulkeley Hill Road, and McDonald Road. DOT will also be relocating the Stop sign on Scoffield Road to make it more visible for approaching vehicles.
8. Absentee Ballots are now available at Town Hall for the Republican Primaries and Democratic Primaries which are to be held on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.
11. Executive Session – No Executive Session
  - A. Personnel Update
12. Possible action on Human Resources Coordinator Position Job Description
  - No Action Taken
13. Adjourn - R. Coyle made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Turner. Meeting adjourned at 6:34 PM

Minutes Submitted by Andreas Bisbikos

