



# Town of Colchester, Connecticut

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Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman

Board of Selectmen Special Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 12th, 2022, at 5:30 PM

**Members Present:** A. Bisbikos (First Selectman), R. Coyle, D. Turner, J. LaChapelle, D. Bates

**Others Present:** Anthony Ciriello (SLR Representative), P. Distefano (SLR Representative)

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1. Call to Order – Meeting Called to Order at 5:31

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. New Interim Public Works Director

A. Discussion with John Jones

- A. Bisbikos gave an overview of the status of Public Works Director position. J. Jones provided an overview of his work history. Discussion regarding the role of the consultant, the role of the Interim Public Works Director, and the status of MOUs.

B. Possible Action to appoint John Jones as the Interim Public Works Director

- R. Coyle motioned to appoint J. Jones as the Interim Public Works Director, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. LaChapelle. *Motion carried unanimously 5-0.*

4. Public Works Consultant

A. Discussion with SLR representative

- A. Ciriello and P. Distefano provided an overview of their capabilities, their current collaboration with the town, and how contracts/fees could be structured. A. Bisbikos spoke about the importance of finding a Public Works Director, a Director of Operations, and how a top to bottom review of both Public Works and Sewer & Water was needed to determine if restructuring was needed. R. Coyle brought up the bid process. J. Jones, A. Ciriello, and P. Distefano discussed how they could collaborate on bids and projects.
- R. Coyle discussed the goals of SLR: 1) Collaborate with J. Jones as needed, 2) Review of the entire department, 3) Long & Short-term goals, 4) Recruit quality candidates. D. Bates we need to identify the fee structure. Discussion on how to pay for the consultant.

B. Possible Action to allow the First Selectman sign any necessary paper and enter a contract with SLR –  
No action taken.

5. Executive Session – Postponed

A. Director of Finance Interview

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6. Decision on Director of Finance Position – No action taken

7. Adjourn – R. Coyle motioned to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. LaChapelle. Meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM.

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