



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Bernie Dennler, First Selectman

Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting

April 18, 2024 - 7:00PM

Agenda

Colchester Town Hall Meeting Room 1 and Hybrid via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85967630349?pwd=WTBaeU5FTU9TV2ZZWW1NVVExMThOdz09>

All items on the agenda are subject to possible action

1. Call to Order
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5. Additions and Changes to the Agenda
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 - a. Approve the Minutes from Regular Meeting April 4, 2024 **PAGE 4 - 7**
7. Discuss Emergency Management Department Consolidation
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9. Discuss and act on authorizing the First Selectman to award the Water Tower Project and sign all related documents **PAGE 10 -12**
10. Use of Nip Bottle Funds **PAGE 13 - 20**
 - a. Discuss and act on authorizing the purchase of Garbage bins for the Town Green using Nip Bottle Funds **PAGE 21**
 - b. Discuss and act on authorizing Public Works overtime for Town-wide litter pickup and related purchases to be funded using Nip Bottle Funds **PAGE 22 - 23**
11. Review Charge for Ad Hoc Recreation Needs and coordination Committee
12. Liaison Reports
13. First Selectman Report
14. FOI Log update
15. Citizen's Comments
16. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Bernie Dennler
First Selectman

Memo

To: Bernie Dennler- First Selectman
From: Kayla Fortier- Assistant Town Clerk
cc: Board of Selectman
Date: 4/8/2024
Re: Naming Petition

The Town Clerks Office has received the attached naming petition on 4/4/2024 and have checked the names against the voter registration system.

The naming petition requires a total of 100 signatures. A total of 121 signatures on this petition meets the requirements.

Thank you



Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Bernie Dennler, First Selectman

**Board of Selectmen Meeting
Regular Meeting – Minutes
Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
Colchester Town Hall
Meeting Room 1 and Hybrid via Zoom**

Members Present: First Selectman Bernie Dennler, Selectmen Art Shilosky, Rosemary Coyle, Denise Turner, and Cliff O'Donal.

Others Present: Demian Sorrentino, Planning Director

1. Call to Order

B. Dennler called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Dennler led the pledge of allegiance

3. Correspondence

Email from Jared Szuba regarding the proposed Flock Camera System in Colchester

Email from Sean O'Rourke regarding the proposed Flock Camera System in Colchester

Email from Deanna Bouchard regarding the proposed Flock Camera System in Colchester

Memo from Board of Education legal counsel

4. Citizen's Comments

Luke McCoy commented on his intentions as a resident in joining the Recreation Needs and Coordination Ad Hoc Committee.

Deanna Bouchard commented on page 61 in the Agenda Packet and the memo from BOE Legal Counsel.

Vince Rose spoke about the participation and presentations in the budget forums.

5. Changes to the Agenda

R. Coyle MOVED to add the following to the consent agenda: item #8 (Making Memories Grant) as 7.D., #9 (Historic Document Grant) as 7.E., and #14 (Homeland Security Grant Program) 7.F. and 7.G. Appoint Sam Wilson to the Agriculture Commission with a term to expire 11/30/2025. A. Shilosky SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

R. Coyle *MOVED* to add Item #16 Citizens Comments and #17 Adjourn to the agenda. D. Turner *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED*. 5:0.

R. Coyle *MOVED* to add agenda item #10. A. (now #8. A.) an agreement between the Town of Colchester and Sertex LLC. C. O'Donal *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED* 5:0.

6. Approve Minutes from March 21, 2024

A. Shilosky *MOVED* to approve the minutes from March 21, 2024. C. O'Donal *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED* 5:0.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Tax Refunds
- b. Authorize the First Selectman to Sign any and all Documents related to the award of the Town of Colchester's \$15,235,000 General Obligation Notes at a Net Interest Cost of 4.312% to Oppenheimer
- c. Authorize the First Selectman to Sign the State of Connecticut Annual Master Municipal Agreement for Construction Projects
- d. Approval of FY 25 Making Memories Grant funding for Senior Center
- e. Approval of FY 25 Historic Document Grant for Town Clerk's Office
- f. Approval of Homeland Security Grant Program
- g. Appoint Sam Wilson to Agriculture Committee with a term ending 11/30/2025

D. Turner *MOVED* to approve the consent agenda. R. Coyle *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED* 5:0.

8. Discussion and Possible Action on Novus Proposal for Phone Services at New Senior Center

R. Coyle *MOVED* to approve the Novus Proposal for Phone Services at the New Senior Center. C. O'Donal *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED* 5:0.

- a. Agreement between The Town of Colchester and Sertex LLC for the installation of fiber optic line to the Senior Center

R. Coyle *MOVED* to approve the agreement between the Town of Colchester and Sertex LLC for the installation of fiber optic line to the Senior Center from Town Hall. D. Turner *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED*. 5:0.

9. Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt the Resolution for CT DEEP CERCLA 128(a) Grant for Norton Park

Presentation by D. Sorrentino, Planning Director

D. Turner *MOVED* to authorize the First Selectman to Execute a Personal Services Agreement with the State of Connecticut for Financial Assistance to Perform Environmental Remediation (Cleanup) of the Former Norton Paper Mill Located at 139 Westchester Road (CT Route #149), Colchester, Connecticut CT DEEP CERCLA 128(a) Brownfield Grant Program C. O'Donal *SECONDED*. *MOTION CARRIED* 5:0.

10. Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt the Resolution for accepting the CT DEEP Urban Act Grant

Presentation by D. Sorrentino, Planning Director

D. Turner MOVED to authorize the First Selectman to Execute and Deliver Documents on Behalf of the Town of Colchester for the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) Urban Act Grant Program Environmental Remediation (Cleanup) and Redevelopment of the Former Norton Paper Mill Located at 139 Westchester Road (CT Route #149), Colchester, Connecticut. R. Coyle SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

11. Discussion and Possible Action for CT DEEP Flood Management Certification Proposal from Langan regarding the Old Norton Paper Mill Site

Presentation by D. Sorrentino, Planning Director

Discussion by the Board

Consensus by the Board on waiving the bid policy for Langan, the Town's Environmental consultant on the Norton Mill project since 2015.

R. Coyle MOVED to authorize the First Selectmen to sign the CT DEEP Flood Management Certification Proposal from Langan regarding the Old Norton Paper Mill Site. A. Shilosky SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

12. Discussion and Possible Action on Appointments to the Recreation Needs and Coordination Ad Hoc Committee

Discussion by the Board

R. Coyle MOVED to make the Recreation Needs and Coordination Ad Hoc Committee 7 Members and 2 Alternates. A. Shilosky SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

D. Turner MOVED to appoint the following candidates Kyle Calash, Michael Dubreuil, David Emery, Luke McCoy, Matthew Parsons, Christopher Pianta and Suzanne Salemi as Members and Seth Bretmaier and Nina Minella as Alternates to the Recreation Needs and Coordination Ad Hoc Committee. C. O'Donal SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

13. Citizens Comments

Luke McCoy spoke about the budget process, the Recreation Needs and Coordination Committee and the Langdon contract.

Ron Liberman commended the professionalism of the BOE, BOF and BOS and D. Sorrentino for his work on the Norton Park grants.

Deanna Bouchard commended D. Sorrentino's work on Norton Park Grants and spoke about the Recreation Needs and Coordination Committee, the Senior Center phone services, corrected her previous statement in citizens comments.

Vince Rose spoke about the professionalism and commitment to the budget process by all the boards.

14. Adjourn

D. Turner MOVED to Adjourn at 7:47pm. C. O'Donal SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 5:0.

Respectfully submitted,

Taryn Scott
Executive Assistant to the First Selectman

Town of Colchester
General Fund
Budget Transfer/Additional Appropriation

Department: Various

Reason for Request: Consolidate FY 22/23 legal budget line items in First Selectman's Office, Human Resources, and Planning & Code Administration to Legal & Insurances.

Reason for Available Funds: Funds included in FY 22/23 legal budgets in First Selectman's Office, Human Resources, and Planning & Code Administration

From:	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
	11201-44203	First Selectman - Legal	30,000
	11205-44203	Human Resources - Legal	15,000
	11411-44203	Planning & Code Admin - Legal	10,000
To:	11701-44203	Legal & Insurances - Legal	55,000

Apr 9, 2024

Date Requested

Department Director or Supervisor - Signature

Print Name

Bernie Dennler, First Selectman

Date Reviewed

Chief Financial Officer

Date Approved

First Selectman

Date Approved

Board of Selectmen Clerk

Date Approved

Board of Finance Clerk

Town of Colchester
General Fund
Budget Transfer/Additional Appropriation

Department: Various

Reason for Request: Consolidate FY 23/24 legal budget line items in First Selectman's Office, Human Resources, and Planning & Code Administration to Legal & Insurances.

Reason for Available Funds: Funds included in FY 23/24 legal budgets in First Selectman's Office, Human Resources, and Planning & Code Administration

From:	Account Number	Account Name	Amount
	11201-44203	First Selectman - Legal	38,500
	11205-44203	Human Resources - Legal	20,000
	11411-44203	Planning & Code Admin - Legal	10,000
To:	11701-44203	Legal & Insurances - Legal	68,500

Apr 9, 2024

Date Requested

Department Director or Supervisor - Signature

Print Name

Bernie Dennler, First Selectman

Date Reviewed

Chief Financial Officer

Date Approved

First Selectman

Date Approved

Board of Selectmen Clerk

Date Approved

Board of Finance Clerk

From: [Bernard Dennler](#)
To: [Taryn Scott](#)
Subject: Fwd: BOS Meeting 4/18 Motion to Award Tank Painting Contract
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 3:29:32 PM
Attachments: [rfp_2024-001_tabulation.pdf](#)

Bernie Dennler
First Selectman

Town of Colchester
127 Norwich Ave
Colchester, CT 06415
Phone: 860-537-7222

“Colchester, Connecticut: Where tradition meets tomorrow.”

From: Joseph Leone <Jleone@ColchesterCT.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 3:27:41 PM
To: Bernard Dennler <BDennler@colchesterct.gov>
Cc: Robert Peter <rnpeter@sbcglobal.net>; Angela Petrowski <apetrowski@colchesterct.gov>; Guthrie Dinda <gdinda@colchesterct.gov>; Phil Gaudette <pGaudette@colchesterct.gov>; Rylan Colbourne-Grant <RColbourne-Grant@colchesterct.gov>
Subject: BOS Meeting 4/18 Motion to Award Tank Painting Contract

Bernie,

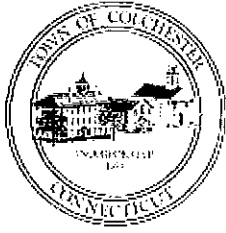
Please see the attached Bid Tab for the tank painting project. Would you bring the following motion (please edit as needed) before the Board of Selectman (Colchester WPCA) this Thursday? I have discussed this with both Rob about whether this needs to go before the Sewer and Water Commission or not, and they both agreed that it is not required since we are following the standard procedure by awarding the low bidder.

“Motion to award the RFP 2024-001 Exterior Recoating of 40' Water Tank Project to Worldwide Industries Corp for \$195,510 and for the First Selectman to sign all necessary contract documents.”

Thanks!

Joe

Joseph Leone, EIT, M.Ed
Director of Public Works
127 Norwich Ave, Colchester CT, 06415
Direct: (860) 537-7286



Bernie Dennler



First Selectman

BID OPENING

DATE: March 6, 2024

TIME: 1:00 pm

PLACE: First Selectman's Office, Suite 201, 127 Norwich Ave., Colchester, CT 06415

BID OPENING: RFP 2024-001 Exterior Recarding 40' water tank

IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE TOWN: Joe Keone, DPW

Taryn Scott

Steve Coyle STWC

The following companies submitted bids. Those in attendance were advised that the decision to award the bid would be made at a later date by the Board of Selectmen.

COMPANY	BID AMOUNT
<u>Amstar, Western NY</u>	<u>\$267,000</u>
<u>Utility Service Co. Inc</u>	<u>\$552,300</u>
<u>2/7/24 Dynamic Sandblasting + Painting LLC</u>	<u>\$240,000</u>
<u>Worldwide Industries Corp.</u>	<u>\$195,510</u>
<u>2/21/24 Dynamic Sandblasting + Painting LLC</u>	<u>\$237,000</u>
<u>Alpine Painting + Sandblasting</u>	<u>\$555,250</u>
<u>Marcel A Payer Inc.</u>	<u>\$327,000</u>
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Nip Surcharge and Disbursements

By: Kristen Miller, Senior Legislative Attorney
December 22, 2022 | 2022-R-0225

Issue

Describe the state's surcharge on beverage containers containing spirits or liquor of up to 50 mL ("nips") and explain how those funds are distributed.

Summary

By law, there is a five-cent surcharge on each nip sale in Connecticut. Every April and October, wholesalers must remit this surcharge for each nip sold to each municipality where one was sold during the previous six-month period. The wholesaler must also file a report with the revenue services and consumer protection departments on the number of nips sold in each municipality during that six-month period.

The law requires the municipalities receiving the funds to use them for environmental efforts to reduce the (1) amount of solid waste generated in the municipality or (2) impact of litter. These efforts can include such things as hiring a recycling coordinator; installing storm drain filters to block debris; or buying a mechanical street sweeper, vacuum, or broom to remove litter from streets, sidewalks, and abutting lawn and turf areas ([CGS § 22a-244b](#), as amended by [PA 22-143](#)).

Nip surcharge collection began on October 1, 2021. Data reported by the eight wholesalers in the state represented by the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of Connecticut from this date until September 30, 2022, show that municipalities collectively received a total of at least \$4.2 million from the surcharge. The municipalities receiving the five largest surcharge amounts (thus having sold the most nips) were New Haven (\$190,617.89), Waterbury (\$136,822.60), Hartford (\$135,735.87), Bridgeport (\$135,564.10), and Manchester (\$113,869.44). Seven municipalities had no nip sales (Bridgewater, Colebrook, Eastford, Easton, Hartland, Lyme, and Union). The below

table provides the nip surcharge distribution by municipality during each of the first two reporting periods. It also totals the distribution by municipality and by reporting period.

Table 1: Municipal Nip Surcharge Distribution*

Municipality	Nip Surcharge (\$)		Total
	10/1/21 to 3/30/22	4/1/22 to 9/30/22**	
ANDOVER	1,138.90	1,929.60	3,068.50
ANSONIA	15,133.70	17,491.49	32,625.19
ASHFORD	4,451.10	5,926.80	10,377.90
AVON	2,810.10	4,155.17	6,965.27
BARKHAMSTED	1,370.50	2,896.00	4,266.50
BEACON FALLS	2,556.40	3,396.90	5,953.30
BERLIN	9,855.90	13,194.77	23,050.67
BETHANY	577.10	1,098.00	1,675.10
BETHEL	7,605.50	8,124.53	15,730.03
BETHLEHEM	798.00	742.55	1,540.55
BLOOMFIELD	9,568.40	11,406.34	20,974.74
BOLTON	5,660.10	6,445.68	12,105.78
BOZRAH	554.40	1,620.73	2,175.13
BRANFORD	16,498.70	19,968.23	36,466.93
BRIDGEPORT	59,068.70	76,495.40	135,564.10
BRIDGEWATER	0.00	0.00	0.00
BRISTOL	40,441.90	54,299.09	94,740.99
BROOKFIELD	6,097.40	6,964.38	13,061.78
BROOKLYN	10,780.10	11,797.08	22,577.18
BURLINGTON	2,349.20	3,605.41	5,954.61
CANAAN	5,160.60	1,006.13	6,166.73
CANTERBURY	5,003.70	5,538.10	10,541.80
CANTON	4,583.30	7,263.87	11,847.17
CHAPLIN	5,052.10	5,507.10	10,559.20
CHESHIRE	7,593.50	9,766.59	17,360.09
CHESTER	1,528.00	1,418.18	2,946.18
CLINTON	7,929.90	10,906.19	18,836.09
COLCHESTER	13,227.70	16,975.20	30,202.90
COLEBROOK	0.00	0.00	0.00
COLUMBIA	3,029.90	3,846.80	6,876.70
CORNWALL	531.20	381.30	912.50
COVENTRY	7,023.60	9,585.11	16,608.71
CROMWELL	13,322.00	14,808.74	28,130.74
DANBURY	41,539.50	44,418.38	85,957.88

Table 1: Municipal Nip Surcharge Distribution (continued)*

Municipality	Nip Surcharge (\$)		
	10/1/21 to 3/30/22	4/1/22 to 9/30/22**	Total
DARIEN	1,540.50	1,490.99	3,031.49
DEEP RIVER	3,668.60	4,460.92	8,129.52
DERBY	11,540.00	12,047.00	23,587.00
DURHAM	3,514.20	4,500.44	8,014.64
EAST GRANBY	1,442.10	3,317.58	4,759.68
EAST HADDAM	4,323.10	4,924.06	9,247.16
EAST HAMPTON	8,258.20	9,407.77	17,665.97
EAST HARTFORD	33,391.60	35,790.87	69,182.47
EAST HAVEN	17,952.30	21,250.53	39,202.83
EAST LYME	12,421.80	13,808.48	26,230.28
EAST WINDSOR	13,066.30	15,120.92	28,187.22
EASTFORD	0.00	0.00	0.00
EASTON	0.00	0.00	0.00
ELLINGTON	10,242.70	11,170.64	21,413.34
ENFIELD	34,625.70	39,528.68	74,154.38
ESSEX	5,031.80	5,443.28	10,475.08
FAIRFIELD	15,488.90	16,716.28	32,205.18
FARMINGTON	8,194.60	10,794.41	18,989.01
FRANKLIN	3,047.70	3,024.20	6,071.90
GLASTONBURY	8,466.00	10,851.53	19,317.53
GOSHEN	958.70	985.56	1,944.26
GRANBY	6,366.50	6,306.49	12,672.99
GREENWICH	5,183.60	5,591.42	10,775.02
GRISWOLD	12,796.40	19,217.56	32,013.96
GROTON	33,678.90	43,010.60	76,689.50
GUILFORD	4,100.60	5,007.94	9,108.54
HADDAM	6,803.90	8,713.42	15,517.32
HAMDEN	26,305.30	40,492.01	66,797.31
HAMPTON	1,298.90	2,419.18	3,718.08
HARTFORD	63,633.60	72,102.27	135,735.87
HARTLAND	0.00	0.00	0.00
HARWINTON	4,833.70	5,377.24	10,210.94
HEBRON	6,280.40	7,378.14	13,658.54
KENT	402.30	677.30	1,079.60
KILLINGLY	17,018.30	23,257.30	40,275.60
KILLINGWORTH	1,545.40	1,914.29	3,459.69
LEBANON	718.90	957.60	1,676.50

Table 1: Municipal Nip Surcharge Distribution (continued)*

Municipality	Nip Surcharge (\$)		
	10/1/21 to 3/30/22	4/1/22 to 9/30/22**	Total
LEDYARD	10,492.90	13,027.06	23,519.96
LISBON	2,820.40	4,208.18	7,028.58
LITCHFIELD	2,514.20	2,965.06	5,479.26
LYME	0.00	0.00	0.00
MADISON	4,012.30	5,413.09	9,425.39
MANCHESTER	50,030.50	63,838.94	113,869.44
MANSFIELD	14,626.00	18,312.72	32,938.72
MARLBOROUGH	3,439.70	3,945.62	7,385.32
MERIDEN	36,873.40	46,079.52	82,952.92
MIDDLEBURY	2,357.20	2,594.80	4,952.00
MIDDLEFIELD	2,918.40	5,236.45	8,154.85
MIDDLETOWN	27,936.40	33,396.63	61,333.03
MILFORD	30,004.10	36,216.43	66,220.53
MONROE	7,520.70	8,875.73	16,396.43
MONTVILLE	18,087.20	20,846.64	38,933.84
MORRIS	1,575.10	1,951.20	3,526.30
NAUGATUCK	21,757.10	24,722.82	46,479.92
NEW BRITAIN	49,503.20	63,233.41	112,736.61
NEW CANAAN	892.60	800.01	1,692.61
NEW FAIRFIELD	3,228.80	3,354.61	6,583.41
NEW HARTFORD	1,949.70	2,655.15	4,604.85
NEW HAVEN	78,690.50	111,927.39	190,617.89
NEW LONDON	27,696.90	34,515.14	62,212.04
NEW MILFORD	16,720.70	18,050.71	34,771.41
NEWINGTON	18,789.70	22,752.79	41,542.49
NEWTOWN	7,871.80	8,731.41	16,603.21
NORFOLK	1,136.50	1,193.30	2,329.80
NORTH BRANFORD	6,779.20	7,989.37	14,768.57
NORTH CANAAN	528.70	5,561.43	6,090.13
NORTH HAVEN	10,690.10	13,784.99	24,475.09
NORTH STONINGTON	6,567.60	9,087.90	15,655.50
NORWALK	31,974.00	38,196.64	70,170.64
NORWICH	43,609.60	57,315.98	100,925.58
OLD LYME	2,908.20	4,657.76	7,565.96
OLD SAYBROOK	7,569.00	9,628.78	17,197.78
ORANGE	2,982.60	4,494.46	7,477.06
OXFORD	2,985.70	4,025.90	7,011.60

Table 1: Municipal Nip Surcharge Distribution (continued)*

Municipality	Nip Surcharge (\$)		
	10/1/21 to 3/30/22	4/1/22 to 9/30/22**	Total
PLAINFIELD	21,222.20	27,332.87	48,555.07
PLAINVILLE	8,739.90	13,745.12	22,485.02
PLYMOUTH	7,187.50	8,420.17	15,607.67
POMFRET	1,011.90	1,181.60	2,193.50
PORTLAND	6,336.30	7,849.57	14,185.87
PRESTON	2,569.30	4,750.05	7,319.35
PROSPECT	3,359.50	4,012.98	7,372.48
PUTNAM	18,436.60	19,816.46	38,253.06
REDDING	1,779.00	1,391.05	3,170.05
RIDGEFIELD	3,247.70	3,256.54	6,504.24
ROCKY HILL	11,172.30	12,687.03	23,859.33
ROXBURY	269.50	338.30	607.80
SALEM	3,817.60	6,305.48	10,123.08
SALISBURY	778.90	1,066.39	1,845.29
SCOTLAND	1,030.90	1,323.84	2,354.74
SEYMOUR	11,191.60	13,345.90	24,537.50
SHARON	743.80	736.20	1,480.00
SHELTON	16,625.30	20,161.44	36,786.74
SHERMAN	450.80	509.73	960.53
SIMSBURY	7,582.30	7,870.52	15,452.82
SOMERS	3,910.00	4,387.45	8,297.45
SOUTH WINDSOR	12,576.40	14,216.85	26,793.25
SOUTHBURY	6,627.40	8,756.38	15,383.78
SOUTHINGTON	22,518.00	31,307.83	53,825.83
SPRAGUE	676.10	1,692.30	2,368.40
STAFFORD	12,721.30	15,333.88	28,055.18
STAMFORD	35,425.10	38,321.95	73,747.05
STERLING	1,542.50	1,776.56	3,319.06
STONINGTON	12,882.60	12,784.33	25,666.93
STRATFORD	27,551.60	34,270.43	61,822.03
SUFFIELD	6,254.70	7,619.39	13,874.09
THOMASTON	4,841.80	6,702.97	11,544.77
THOMPSON	9,114.20	11,684.10	20,798.30
TOLLAND	7,059.30	9,241.84	16,301.14
TORRINGTON	29,445.30	33,454.44	62,899.74
TRUMBULL	5,347.80	6,652.41	12,000.21
UNION	0.00	0.00	0.00

Table 1: Municipal Nip Surcharge Distribution (continued)*

Municipality	Nip Surcharge (\$)		Total
	10/1/21 to 3/30/22	4/1/22 to 9/30/22**	
VERNON	19,652.40	24,582.66	44,235.06
VOLUNTOWN	3,771.00	4,585.92	8,356.92
WALLINGFORD	26,979.50	32,443.31	59,422.81
WARREN	508.60	623.95	1,132.55
WASHINGTON	1,113.40	1,129.00	2,242.40
WATERBURY	58,643.80	78,178.80	136,822.60
WATERFORD	14,301.30	18,310.61	32,611.91
WATERTOWN	12,165.30	15,370.27	27,535.57
WEST HARTFORD	19,538.40	24,827.56	44,365.96
WEST HAVEN	39,248.70	51,506.74	90,755.44
WESTBROOK	5,539.70	7,257.02	12,796.72
WESTON	356.80	252.20	609.00
WESTPORT	3,344.60	7,432.38	10,776.98
WETHERSFIELD	13,599.30	15,019.19	28,618.49
WILLINGTON	1,154.40	2,681.32	3,835.72
WILTON	972.10	1,483.37	2,455.47
WINCHESTER	11,220.40	14,881.15	26,101.55
WINDHAM	16,792.50	18,816.43	35,608.93
WINDSOR	14,344.20	15,966.99	30,311.19
WINDSOR LOCKS	13,646.10	17,069.06	30,715.16
WOLCOTT	11,010.20	13,461.83	24,472.03
WOODBIDGE	69.00	138.70	207.70
WOODBURY	3,310.50	3,714.03	7,024.53
WOODSTOCK	1,609.20	794.94	2,404.14
TOTAL	1,879,961.70	2,328,456.55	4,208,418.25

Sources: Department of Revenue Services and Wine & Spirits Wholesalers of Connecticut

*Represents information from the eight wholesalers represented by the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of Connecticut and does not include small wholesalers that may have independently reported. Consequently, these amounts are the minimums that municipalities received from the surcharge.

**Some values are not a factor of five (i.e., evenly divisible by 5 cents or 0.05) due to a calculation based on unit cases.

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History: P.A. 21-58 effective June 16, 2021.

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Sec. 22a-244b. Nips. Five-cent surcharge. Payment by retailer. Payment by wholesaler to municipality. Use of payments by municipalities. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, on and after October 1, 2021, any beverage container containing a spirit or liquor of fifty milliliters or less shall be assessed a five-cent surcharge by the wholesaler of such beverage container to the retailer of such beverage container and by the retailer of such beverage container to the consumer of such beverage container. Any surcharge transaction described in this section shall be distinct and clearly identify the surcharge from the price of such beverage container and shall not be subject to any sales tax or treated as income pursuant to any provision of the general statutes.

(b) The payment of said surcharge by a retailer shall be a debt of a retailer upon purchase from any such wholesaler and shall be subject to all posting requirements in the event of delinquency.

(c) On April 1, 2022, and every six months thereafter, payment shall be remitted by each wholesaler to every municipality where any such beverage container was sold during the preceding six-month period by such wholesaler. Such payment shall be at the rate of five cents for every such beverage container sold within such municipality by such wholesaler. Concomitant with any payment made by a wholesaler to a municipality pursuant to this subsection, such wholesaler shall file a report with the Department of Revenue Services and the Department of Consumer Protection's Liquor Control Division, detailing the number of such beverage containers sold in each municipality by such wholesaler in the preceding six-month period.

(d) All payments received by any municipality pursuant to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section shall be expended by such municipality on environmental measures intended to reduce the generation of solid waste in such municipality or reduce the impact of litter caused by such solid waste, including, but not limited to, the hiring of a recycling coordinator, the installation of storm drain filters designed to block solid waste and beverage container debris or the purchase of a mechanical street sweeper, vacuum or broom that removes litter, including, but not limited to, such beverage containers and other debris from streets, sidewalks and abutting lawn and turf areas.

(P.A. 21-58, § 10.)

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Corrected 50ml Environmental Fee Data 2023-04.01
2023-09.30

WHOLESALERS	ENVIRONMENTAL FEE	PROCESSING FEE	BILLABLE TOTALS
ASG	\$316,294.20	\$395.37	\$316,689.57
BRESCOME	\$524,263.25	\$655.33	\$524,918.58
CDI	\$568,702.80	\$710.88	\$569,413.68
EDER	\$283,587.30	\$354.48	\$283,941.78
F & F	\$1,368.00	\$1.71	\$1,369.71
HARTLEY	\$167,110.45	\$208.89	\$167,319.34
MANCINI	\$498,931.00	\$623.66	\$499,554.66
OPICI	\$1,520.20	\$1.90	\$1,522.10
SLOCUM	\$3,112.45	\$3.89	\$3,116.34
TOTALS	\$2,364,889.65	\$2,956.11	\$2,367,845.76

The Public Works Department is requesting the use of nip bottle funds to purchase 12, 45-gallon capacity garbage cans, including rain lids. The rain lids prevent them from filling with water during rainstorms and the side door makes it easier for our grounds staff to remove the garbage and replace the bags. Ten of these cans will go on the town green and two will go to Ruby Cohen Park.

We chose the Barco Cassidy 45 garbage can because it was the lowest price in the 45+ gallon capacity with the side door and rain lid. The shipping costs are \$1666.96 if we need the lift gate that charge would be \$90, but we may not need that if our crew can get them out of the truck.

The cost for the garbage cans is \$1198.85/ea., which includes a price reduction due to us purchasing more than 6 receptacles.

From: [Bernard Dennler](#)
To: [Taryn Scott](#)
Subject: Fwd: Nip Money Proposal for BOS
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 2:58:41 PM
Attachments: [2022-R-0225.pdf](#)
[Nip Law.JPG](#)
[Corrected 50ML Environmental Fee Data 2023-04-01 to 2023-09-30 C2.xlsx](#)
[april-2023-nip-reports-final.pdf](#)

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“Colchester, Connecticut: Where tradition meets tomorrow.”

From: Joseph Leone <Jleone@ColchesterCT.gov>
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Subject: Nip Money Proposal for BOS

Bernie,

Please see the attached and the outline for use of our the Nip Tax in Colchester. I would like to put together a motion for blanket use of the money for a specific purpose as it is received, rather than a specific amount. You have spoken to me of your desire to have the money go directly to solving the nip bottle litter. The best way for us to address this nip litter problem is to use this money to pay for labor, equipment, and consumables for direct pickup of the litter on our town roads. While we could go for a large community volunteer effort these tend to peter out the years and will not provide a consistent and reliable permanent solution. Below is my plan for a nip cleanup program for Colchester. It may change it may take a few iterations to realize where we have consistent issues in town with the littering. It is a proof of concept. It shows that we can fund a nip cleanup program, and if needed we can touch every mile of road in town each year.

Annual Receivable:

Colchester 2022 Nip Disbursement: \$30,202.90

Colchester 2023 Nip Disbursement: \$33,183.10

Colchester 2024 Nip Disbursement: \$TBD (numbers to be released Mid April 24 and Mid October 24)

Given:

- Expected amount of nip money is reliably \$30,000 or more (~ 600,000 nips sold in Colchester on an annual basis)

- Miles of both improved and unimproved Road in Colchester are ~120 mi
- Weighted Average of Employee on 1.5 time OT is \$45.87
- DPW Employees work in 3 each, two man crews, for 8 hour shift on a Saturday

Calculation:

- \$30,000 divided by \$45.87/MH = 654 manhours
- 654 MH divided by 48 MH/SHIFT = 13.63 Shifts, (round down 1.63 shifts to 12 for one Saturday a month)
- 120 miles divided by 12 Shifts = 10 mi/shift
- 10 Miles divided by 3 crews/shift = 3.33 mi/crew/shift
- 1.63 SHIFT times 48MH/SHIFT times \$45.87/MH = \$3,588.87 for vests, pickup tongs, cans, gas.

Program Proposed:

Colchester DPW will provide overtime to its employees to pick up littered nips on all town roads in Colchester funded by the Nip Disbursement income. 1 Saturday a month the DPW will have 3 two-man crews perform cleanup of nips on the town roads. We will track the roads as we complete them, and our goal is to touch each road throughout the course of the year. The remaining 3,588.87 will be used for litter cleanup tools (tongs & spikes) PPE (vests, gloves, safety glasses) and consumables (trash bags) or rolled over into next year for additional buffer against wage increase or additional roads.

Thanks,

Joe

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