

TOWN OF COLCHESTER  
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING – July 14, 2021  
MINUTES

Present: First Selectman: Mary Bylone, Selectmen: Denise Turner, Taras Rudko, Denise Mizla, Board of Education: Mary Tomasi, Jessica Morozowich, Joanne Rose, Board of Finance: Andreas Bisbikos, Michael Hayes, Bernie Dennler, Andrea Migliaccio, Other attendees: John Malsbenden, Karen Romero, Jamie Legrega, Heide Perham, Stacey Schweighoffer, Maggie Cosgrove, Michele Wyatt, Tiffany Quinn, Mike Previti, Steven Coyle, State Representative Brian Smith, Gayle Furman and other citizens.

Meeting was called to order by Mary Bylone, First Selectman at 7:02 p.m.

Motion that John Malsbenden be Moderator was made by Ian Lilly, seconded by Brad Bernier.  
MOTION CARRIED

Motion to close nominations made by Vince Rose, seconded by Brad Bernier. MOTION CARRIED.

Voice vote for John Malsbenden for moderator. SO VOTED AND CARRIED

Town Clerk, Gayle Furman, read the warning of the meeting.

Motion to move Item #1, to consider and act upon the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget of the Board of Selectman in the amount of \$15,783,341 as recommended by the Board of Finance, made by Steve Coyle, seconded by Mike Hayes.

Discussion: None

Moderator called for a voice vote on Item #1, SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

Motion to move Item #2, to adjourn said Special Budget Meeting, pursuant to Section 7-344 of the Connecticut State Statutes and the Colchester Town Charter Section C-1102C, for a Referendum vote on Tuesday July 27, 2021 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to be held at the Colchester Town Hall, 127 Norwich Ave., Colchester, CT by Brad Bernier, seconded by Mike Previti.

Moderator called for a voice vote on Item #2, SO VOTED AND CARRIED.

John Malsbenden resigned as Moderator at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gayle Furman, Town Clerk

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Town of Colchester	FY 2021-2022 Proposed Budget
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						Increase	
		Department Requested Budget		16,719,410	1,563,545	10.32%	
		<b>REDUCTIONS</b>					
Tax Collector	Reduction in hours	Temporary office coverage/Extra hours during busy months	3,229				
Planning/Code Administration	Reduction in PT position	Part-time Department Clerk - reduce from 20 hrs to 10 hrs per week	10,531				
Highway	Reduction in funding	Road Improvements/Pavement Maintenance	50,000				
Contingency	Reduction	Contingency is calculated as 0.5% of Operating budget total	319				
Capital	Reduction	Cragin Library - HVAC/Boiler/Roof - reduce funding by 1/2	4,500				
Capital	Eliminate	RecPlex - reconstruct tennis courts	135,000				
Capital	Eliminate	Fire - Windows at 52 Old Hartford Road	35,000				
Capital	Eliminate	Fire - Parking Lot at 52 Old Hartford Road	63,500				
Capital	Revise to 2 year funding plan	Planning & Code Administration - File Storage System	12,500				
		<b>TOTAL REDUCTIONS</b>		<b>314,579</b>			
		First Selectman Proposed Budget - Public Hearing 4-6-21		16,404,831	1,248,966	8.24%	
		<b>BOF REDUCTIONS 4-21-21</b>					
Capital	Postpone Funding	Fire - Off Road Utility Vehicle w/ Trailer - 3 year Funding plan	12,000				
Capital	Eliminate	ISI SCBA Bottles (20)	15,000				
Capital	Postpone Funding	PW - Pavement Overlay & Striping - postpone 5th year of funding	16,000				
Human Resources	Eliminate	Professional Search Firm - Fire Chief Recruitment	10,000				
Contingency	Reduction	Contingency is calculated as 0.5% of Operating budget total	50				
Police	Reduction	Stagger hiring date of replacement Police Officer to 8/2/21	6,527				
Police	Reduction	Stagger hiring date of additional Police Officer to 1/3/22	39,789				
Police	Reduction	Stagger hiring date of additional Police Officer to 5/2/22	65,189				
Insurance - HSA contributions	Reduction	Stagger hiring dates of additional Police Officers	1,925				
Insurance - Workers Comp	Reduction	Stagger hiring dates of additional Police Officers	5,412				
Contingency	Reduction	Contingency is calculated as 0.5% of Operating budget total	395				
		<b>TOTAL REDUCTIONS - BOF 4-21-21</b>		<b>172,287</b>			
		Proposed Budget - Public Hearing 5-4-21		16,232,544	1,076,679	7.10%	



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