

MINUTES OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF COLCHESTER
HELD March 18, 2021

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Colchester, Connecticut, was held VIA Zoom at Colchester Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue, in Colchester, Connecticut, on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Rosemary Coyle, Board of Selectman Vice Chair; Taras Rudko, Denise Turner, and Denise Mizla, Selectmen; Matthew Bordeaux, Town Planner; John Malsbenden, Moderator; Michael Hayes, Board of Finance; Michael Hinchliffe, Economic Development Commission; Amy Domeika, Board of Education, Nicholas Zuba, C-Pace; Gayle Furman, Town Clerk; and other citizens.

The meeting was called to order by Selectman Rosemary Coyle at 5:30p.m.

A motion for John Malsbenden as moderator of the meeting was made by Denise Turner and seconded by Denise Mizla. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion to close nominations for moderator was made by Denise Mizla and seconded by Denise Turner. MOTION CARRIED

Selectman Rosemary Coyle asked for a vote that John Malsbenden be moderator. SO VOTED AND CARRIED

The Town Clerk read the warning of the meeting.

A Motion was made by Irene Malsbenden and seconded by Denise Mizla to move Item 1; To move to recommend to the legislative body of the Town of Colchester, the Town Meeting, the adoption of a resolution to approve the Connecticut Green Bank's Connecticut Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Program Agreement and authorize the First Selectman to execute and deliver the C-PACE Agreement. A Town Meeting shall be held March 18, 2021 to vote on the resolution.

Discussion:

- T. Rudko asked if this is a voluntary process on behalf of the commercial property owners. N. Zuba answered that it is voluntary.
- T. Rudko asked that in the case of default who takes priority of payment. N. Zuba explained that the Real Estate taxes come first then there would be a lien placed on the business for just what is in arrears. He then explained the process of foreclosure etc. that might take place.

J. Malsbenden gave specifics on how the voting would take place at Town Hall.

A Motion was made by Denise Turner and seconded by Denise Mizla to move Item 2; To recess the meeting to a Drive-up vote on Thursday, March 18, 2021 from 6:00pm-7:00pm at Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, CT. MOTION CARRIED.

At approximately 7:00pm, as the moderator was about to read the results, technical difficulties with the zoom link occurred. The meeting was called back to order by Moderator J. Malsbenden at 7:20pm prior to the Board of Selectman's meeting.

Moderator J. Malsbenden read the votes that were tallied, 24 Yes and 12 No.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:21p.m. by Rosemary Coyle and seconded by Michael Hayes. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Gayle Furman, Town Clerk