



# Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Gregg Schuster, First Selectman

Board of Selectmen Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, June 6, 2013  
Colchester Town Hall

Meeting Room 1 – 7:00PM

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Nancy A. Bray  
TOWN CLERK

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** First Selectman Gregg Schuster, Selectman James Ford, Selectman Stan Soby, Selectman Rosemary Coyle, and Selectman Greg Cordova

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Derrik Kennedy, Rob Esteve, Diana Giles, Art Shilosky, Rob Tarlov, Walter Cox, Jim Paggioli, Sean O'Leary, Dot Mrowka, Gregg LePage, Don Lee, Tim York, Nancy Bray, Rob Goldstein, and Melissa Roberto.

1. **Call to Order**  
First Selectman Gregg Schuster called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Additions to the Agenda**  
None.
3. **Approve Minutes of the May 16, 2013 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting**  
R. Coyle moved to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2013 Regular Board of Selectmen meeting, seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
4. **Citizen's Comments**  
K. Gessick, E. Fasicus, G. Liverant, M. Caplet, M. Deegan, and L. Dickie commented on the WJJMS Community/Senior Center.  
B. Duff, D. Turner, and M. Gillman (letter) commented on the Senior Center.
5. **Discussion and Possible Action on Formation of Fire Department Task Force**  
R. Coyle moved to form the CHVFD Implementation Task Force consisting of seven citizens, no more than three of which shall be associated with the Colchester-Hayward Fire Department, seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
6. **Boards and Commissions – Interviews and/or Possible Appointments and Resignations**
  - a. **Sewer & Water Commission. Member re-appointment for a three-year term to expire 06/01/2016. Stephen Coyle to be interviewed.**  
Moved to appoint Stephen Coyle to the Sewer & Water Commission for a three-year term to expire 06/01/2016, seconded by. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
  - b. **Fire Department Task Force**
    - i. **Scott Callan to be interviewed.**  
Scott Callan was not in attendance.

**c. Fire Department Task Force**

- i. Scott Callan
- ii. William Curran
- iii. David Martin
- iv. John Knapp
- v. Bob Holdsworth

R. Coyle moved to appoint William Curran, David Martin, John Knapp, and Bob Holdsworth to the Fire Department Task Force, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**7. Budget Transfers**

None. Discussion on possible supplemental appropriation which was voted against by Board of Finance. Discussion on inter-department personnel sharing. No action taken.

**8. Tax Refunds & Rebates**

R. Coyle moved to approve a tax refund in the amount of \$44.15 to Colleen Fairbanks, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**9. Discussion and Possible Action on Senior Center**

First Selectman Gregg Schuster, Building Official Tim York, and Public Works Director James Paggioli presented to the Board. Discussion on cost, scope, and options of senior center; repairs to the existing building; and on lease agreement with Bacon Academy Board of Trustees. J. Ford moved to set up a two-member bi-partisan sub-committee along with a member of the Board of Finance, town staff and Bacon Trustees to develop a report of what should be happening in long-term with Bacon Trustees, their properties, and our relationship with the Board of Trustees, R. Coyle seconded. Discussion on task and charge of sub-committee. R. Coyle moved to postpone action, seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**10. Discussion and Possible Action on Senior Center Director**

R. Coyle moved to hire Patricia Watts as the Senior Center Director effective June 17, 2013, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**11. Discussion and Possible Action on Municipal Agent for the Elderly**

R. Coyle moved to appoint Patricia Watts as the Colchester Municipal Agent for the Elderly effective June 17, 2013, seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**12. Discussion and Possible Action on Ice Cream Concessions at Summer Concerts**

Discussion on bid process. R. Coyle moved to accept the bids of New England Soft Serve at \$150 per concert for five concerts and the bid of Scotties at \$120 per concert for one concert, seconded by J. Ford. Further discussion on bid process and splitting of bids. R. Coyle, J. Ford, and G. Schuster voted in favor. S. Soby and G. Cordova voted against. MOTION CARRIED.

**13. Discussion and Possible Action on Renewal of Contract with Cott Systems**

Discussion on non-appropriation and opt-out clause in contract. J. Ford moved to rescind his motion from the previous Board of Selectmen meeting on Thursday, May 16 with regards to the same item, seconded by R. Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED. J. Ford moved to appoint the First Selectman to sign the necessary contract paperwork between the Town of Colchester and Cott Systems, Inc. for a term of thirty-six (36) months from June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2016; seconded by R. Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

14. **Discussion and Possible Action on Professional Services Agreement for Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation Program Income**  
R. Coyle moved the resolution, "Be it resolved, that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Colchester hereby authorize the First Selectman, Gregg Schuster, to negotiate and execute all necessary agreement/contract documents on behalf of the Town of Colchester with L. Wagner & Associates, Waterbury, CT, with the intent that L. Wagner & Associates process the expenditures and reporting of these funds using the Residential Rehabilitation Guidelines as originally set forth in the original grant," seconded by S. Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
15. **Discussion and Possible Action on YSB Grant Program**  
Discussion on cash-match. S. Soby moved to approve the application for the Youth Services Bureau Grant Program and authorize the First Selectman to sign all necessary documents, seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
16. **Discussion and Possible Action on Solar City Electricity Purchasing**  
Discussion on property ownership and adoption process. G. Cordova moved the resolution, "RESOLVED, that the Water Pollution Control Authority of The Town of Colchester does hereby support the participation of the Town of Colchester - Town of East Hampton Joint Facilities in the Connecticut Council of Government Energy Purchasing Program through the Town of East Hampton. Furthermore, pending final design the generated solar energy from this program shall be delivered to 20 Gildersleeve Drive, East Hampton, for utilization at the Town of Colchester-Town of East Hampton Water Pollution Control Facility," seconded by J. Ford. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.
17. **Discussion and Possible Action on Personnel Policies**  
Discussion on hiring & dismissal policy. No action taken.
18. **Citizen's Comments**  
D. Mizla commented on WJJMS Community/Senior Center project and the Board of Selectmen understanding all options before moving forward.  
K. Franzen commented on WJJMS Community/Senior Center project.
19. **First Selectman's Report**  
First Selectman G. Schuster reported that he attended the New London Sub Base change of command ceremony, the KX RFP has been released and are awaiting questions from potential bidders, the state budget has been adopted but we are still trying to understand how Colchester made out, and a petition to call a town meeting to consider a blight ordinance has been put together and will be discussed at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.
20. **Liaison Report**  
S. Soby reported the Planning & Zoning Commission approved pre-development status for a site on Prospect Hill Road and continued review of comments on draft zoning regulations.  
  
G. Cordova reported the Parks & Recreation Commission discussed the new camp director and all issues from last year have been addressed.
21. **Adjourn**  
R. Coyle moved to adjourn at 10:04 p.m., seconded by G. Cordova. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,



Derrik M. Kennedy  
Executive Assistant to the First Selectman