



# Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

Board of Selectmen Minutes  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, November 5, 2015  
Colchester Town Hall @ 7PM

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Selectman Rosemary Coyle, Selectman Denise Mizla, Selectman Kurt Frantzen, and Selectman John Reever

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** First Selectman Stan Soby

**OTHERS PRESENT:** BOF A Shilosky and R Tarlov, BOE B Bernier, P& Z G Therian, P&R C Prescott, J Lefler, J Jones, D Martin, J Kelly, D Wasniewski, Clerk T. Dean, and other citizens.

**1. Call to Order**

Selectman R Coyle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Additions to the Agenda**

R Coyle asked that agenda #2 Dedication of Town Hall Rooms be removed in the absence of S Soby, renumber remaining items accordingly.

K Frantzen moved to approve the removal on the agenda as presented, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**3. Approve Minutes of the October 15, 2015 Regular Commission Chairmen Meeting**

D Mizla moved to approve the Regular Commission Chairmen Meeting minutes of October 15, 2015, seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously approved, one abstention made by R Coyle. MOTION CARRIED.

**4. Approve Minutes of the October 15, 2015 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting**

K Frantzen moved to approve the Regular Board of Selectmen meeting minutes of October 15, 2015, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved, one abstention made by R Coyle. MOTION CARRIED

**5. Citizen's Comments –**

Jim Kelly expressed his disagreement on agenda item #13 regarding the charter recommendation for the budget to be sent to the BOS for decision after 2 failed votes. Also stated that traffic at the intersection of Cabin Rd and Lakeview is dangerous. Commented on the poor condition of the recreation fields.

**6. Boards and Commissions – Interviews and/or Possible Appointments and Resignations**

**a. Agriculture Commission – Charles Csere possible reappointment for a three year term to expire 11/30/2018**

K Frantzen moved to reappoint Charles Csere to the Agriculture Commission for a three year term to expire 11/30/2018, seconded by J Reever. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**b. Parks & Recreation Commission – David O'Brien possible reappointment for a four year term to expire 11/30/2019**

D Mizla moved to reappoint David O'Brien to the Parks & Recreation Commission for a four year term to expire 11/30/2019, seconded by J Reever. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**c. Youth Services Advisory Board – Linda Bromley possible reappointment for a three year term to expire 12/1/2018**

D Mizla moved to reappoint Linda Bromley to the Youth Services Advisory Board for a three year term to expire 12/1/2018, seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**d. Ethics Commission – Charles Logan possible reappointment for a three year term to expire 11/1/2018 – not present**

**e. Economic Development Commission – Resignation of Beverly Carr**

D Mizla moved to accept, with regret, the resignation of Beverly Carr from the Economic Development Commission, seconded by J Reever. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**f. WJJMS Building Committee**

1. Lynn Goodwin to be interviewed – was interviewed
2. Lynn Stefanowicz to be interviewed – was interviewed

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**7. Budget Transfers - None**

**8. Tax Refunds & Rebates**

D Mizla moved to approve tax refunds in the amount of \$62.04 to Tri Town Foods Inc., \$94.71 to Rossi Law Offices LTD, \$112.19 to Robert June, \$25.78 to Catherine Ferry, \$146.18 to Rossi Law Office, \$379.19 to Charles Toal, \$54.69 to Bonnie Scheibelein, \$30.53 to Rossi Law Offices LTD, \$21.49 to Alison Blasé, \$34.91 to Toyota Lease Trust, \$39.47 to Michael or Jennifer Caplet, seconded by K Frantzen. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**9. Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance Change as Presented by Planning & Zoning**

The Board posed questions on the grace period and communication to the public. Included in the grace period would need to be mention that interest would still accrue. Also noted was that the proposed ordinance would not impact permit access for equipment designed to aid in mobility. The Board agreed that an effective date would need to be included in the ordinance. R Coyle stated that on page 3, paragraph 3, it is not clear who is providing the proof, a clarifying statement needs to be provided. Next step is to have town counsel review.  
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**10. Discussion and Possible Action on CHVFC Tax Exemption**

CHVFC President, David Martin, explained the proposed tax exemption for inactive life members. Current plan only includes active life members. Discussion took place on payout amount, qualifications, and charter compliance. Next step would be to present to the Board of Finance on 11/18.  
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**11. Discussion and Possible Action on Recreation Specialist Position**

Current position is part time at 29 hours, proposed is for full time 40 hours. Job description modified to include a bachelor's degree and added duties. Discussion on financial impact going from \$24,000/year to an additional \$21,700. The cost is paid out of the Program Fund and will need to be monitored by quality reports to ensure that it is sustainable.

K Frantzen moved to approve the increase in hours for the Recreation Specialist position from 29 hours to 40 hours per week and the revised job description and the position to be paid out of the program fund, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**12. Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance Revision as recommended by Charter Review**

The Board requested that Gregg LePage, chair of the Charter Review Commission, attend the next meeting to bring forth research that was requested.  
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**13. Discussion on Senior Center Building**

TriBoard subcommittee meeting scheduled for 11/19

**14. Citizen's Comments**

D Wasniewski shared that what was presented in agenda item #10 is a modest version of what happens at a federal level and that bringing it to a local level is a positive step as an incentive program.  
BOS, BOF, and Commission on Aging to secure the Senior Center building

**15. First Selectman's Report**

Not present

**16. Liaison Reports**

D Mizla reported on the Youth Services Advisory Board – \$640 was raised at the election day bake sale. Inishmor fundraiser on 11/5 to raise money for a new Youth Services van. The board is looking for new members. The last community conversation on vaping was well attended.

J Reeve reported on Planning & Zoning – Approved a plan at the last meeting. A second stop sign is needed at the intersection of Auto Zone and Stop & Shop. The 17 lot facility at Hebron Road plan was approved. Pine Rd gravel pit was denied a modification.

R Coyle reported on the WJMS Building Committee – will be staying with Techiton as architect. The committee modified the construction management scope and will be working on the project management scope next.

R Coyle thanked J Reever and K Frantzen for all their conscientious work, perspective and sense of knowledge, as well as being heavily involved.

**21. Adjourn**

K Frantzen moved to adjourn at 8:27 p.m., seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Dean, Clerk