



# Town of Colchester, Connecticut

127 Norwich Avenue, Colchester, Connecticut 06415

**Board of Selectmen Minutes  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, July 20, 2017  
Immediately following Chairmen Commission Meeting  
Colchester Town Hall**

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TOWN CLERK

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** First Selectman Art Shilosky, Selectman Rosemary Coyle, Selectman Dennis Mizla, Selectman Stan Soby via teleconference

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Selectman John Jones

**OTHERS PRESENT:** PW Director J Paggioli, Town Clerk G Furman and Clerk T Dean

**1. Call to Order**

A Shilosky called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**2. Additions to the Agenda – none**

**3. Citizen's Comments – none**

**4. Consent Agenda**

1. Conservation Commission – Rebecca Meyer reappointment for a three year term to expire on 10/31/2020
2. Parks and Recreation Commission – David O'Brien resignation

R Coyle moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by S Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**5. Approve Minutes of the July 6, 2017 Regular Board of Selectmen Meeting**

R Coyle corrected #8, fifth sentence, from 'red' to 'read'.

R Coyle moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Selectmen meeting of July 6, 2017 as amended, seconded by S Soby. Unanimously approved with one abstention by D Mizla. MOTION CARRIED.

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

**a. Parks and Recreation – Possible appointments**

R Coyle moved to appoint Matt Pulse to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a four year term to expire 11/30/2019, seconded by S Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

R Coyle moved to postpone action on applicants Steve Langelo and Tracey Bruni until they attend one meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**b. Conservation Commission – Sandra DeRusa possible appointment for a three year term to expire 10/31/2019**

R Coyle moved to appoint Sandra DeRusa to the Conservation Commission for a three year term to expire 10/31/2019, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**7. Discussion and Possible Action on Transfer Station – Propane Tank Fee Establishment & Mattress Recycling**

R Coyle moved that the fee structure for Propane Tanks herein noted, be established for receiving of these tanks at the Colchester Transfer Station, seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**8. Discussion and Possible Action on Charter Revision Public Hearing**

R Coyle moved to send the Charter Revision changes to public hearing on July 27, 2017 at 7pm, seconded by S Soby. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

**9. Discussion on Procedures for New Applicants Applying for Appointed Board & Commission Positions**

Discussion on how many meetings an applicant should attend before interviewing. The Board decided on one meeting requirement on the commission they are interested in before applying. S Soby stated it would also be helpful when receiving an application that the applicant is notified of this was well as to review the B&C Handbook and Charter.

S Soby moved to approve what was presented, including that the applicant attend at least one meeting for the

commission in which they applied, seconded by R Coyle. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

**10. Discussion on Use of Remotely Controlled Aircraft (Drones)**

A Shilosky stated that towns cannot regulate drone use, that it is governed by the FAA. S Soby inquired as to why the state parks can regulate. Would be helpful to have a clear understanding of why the state can regulate vs municipalities. A Shilosky will research that further. A Shilosky also stated that the town is not covered by insurance for drone usage.

**11. Citizen's Comments**

Joanne Philips inquired if there was a noise ordinance in place. S Soby stated that there is not one. Research was done in the past and the level of training and equipment required to enforce was beyond the scope of capability.

**12. First Selectman's Report - none**

**13. Liaison Reports**

R Coyle reported on the Commission on Aging (attached)

S Soby reported on Agriculture Commission – considerable activity on the farm to school initiative. Attendees from the American Garden Club annual conference are visiting Colchester in July. They will have a tour of farms and gardens throughout town, with lunch at the Colchester Federated Church. Local groups in Colchester will be present. Kick off will be by A Shilosky at 9:15am. Katherine Kosiba has done fantastic work in coordinating this event. S Soby noted that the planters throughout town have been re-done by the Garden Club and they look terrific.

**12. Adjourn**

R Coyle moved to adjourn at 7:27 p.m., seconded by D Mizla. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Attachment: Commission on Aging Report

Respectfully submitted,



Tricia Dean, Clerk

## COA Meeting-July 10, 2017

AARP has done regional mailers advertising their Smart Driver education programs, and as a result we are full with a waiting list for our July and September classes. We're adding an August class to try to meet the demand.

Membership registration continues to be high. We are seeing a lot of new faces at the senior center lately.

I am working with the Strategic Planning Meeting to complete our long range Strategic Plan. I am very proud of the work this committee has done, since October of 2015. I will be formally thanking them at our meeting next month and once the BOS approves the plan will be sharing it with the CoA.

We are offering a new Foot Clinic with Dr. Anthony Morgan of Colchester Foot Specialist at the senior center monthly, starting this month. We are pleased to make this important service more convenient for our members.

We had an awesome Patriotic Picnic, served from some friends at YSS. We served 50 meals and they played some fun intergenerational games on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Attendance & Meals Served:**

- Meals served in May: Bistro & Special Meals: 110 Community Café: 76 MOW: 552
- Monthly Transports in May: 902
- Monthly Attendance in June: 1132
- Active membership in June: 1049