

For the Week of September 17, 2018

Manager's Message

The Town Welcomes Deputy Town Manager

Welcome to our Deputy Town Manager, Geoffrey Urbanik! Geoff's first day at the Town was Friday, September 14. He comes to Colchester from Richmond, Vermont, where he was the Town Manager. With a **Master's Degree in Public Administration**, over 20 years of management experience, and a track record of hands-on service-based leadership, Geoff will be a strong asset to the Town of Colchester and its residents. We invite you to stop by the Office to meet Geoff.

For more about the Town Manager's Office, visit <http://colchestervt.gov/manager> or call 264-5509.

Office of the Town Clerk | Treasurer
Julie Graeter

Property Tax Homestead Declaration/Tax Credit

The filing deadline for Property Tax Homestead Declaration/Tax Credit applications is October 15th. If you owned and occupied your dwelling by April 1, 2018 your Homestead Declaration needs to be filed with the VT Department of Taxes. For more information and/or to file online, visit <http://tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/homestead-declaration>

November General Election Coming Up

The General Election will be held November 6, 2018. Absentee voting will begin around October 1st. If you **can't vote** in person on Election Day you may request an absentee ballot online at the **Vermont Secretary of State "My Voter Page"** <https://www.mvp.sec.state.vt.us/>. You can also register to vote, verify your voter registration, change your address, and get important voter information there.

Other options for obtaining an absentee ballot and early voting include:

- Call the **Town Clerk's** office to request a ballot to be mailed to you (802-264-5520). Be sure to allow adequate time for postal delivery. The Town Clerk is not responsible for postal service delays.
- Visit the Clerk's office to pick up a ballot to take with you
- Vote early at the **Town Clerk's** office
- Town Office hours are Monday-Friday 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

For more about the Town Clerk's Office visit <http://colchestervt.gov/townclerk> or call 264-5520.

For further information or comment, please call Linda Gustainis at 802.264.5509

Assessor
Robert Vickery

Activity in the Assessor's Office includes:

- Work on the 2019 Grand List
- Inspection of new construction
- In preparation for the completion of the State's Equalization Grand List, vetting all of last year's property sales in the State of Vermont's new web-based sales study.
- The Town's online Web map has been updated. You will find the map and assessment data at <http://www.axisgis.com/ColchesterVT/>

For more about the Assessor's Office visit <http://colchestervt.gov/assessor> or call 264-5671.

Upcoming Town Meetings:

- **Planning Commission:** 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month, 7:00pm. October meetings: 10/2 and 10/16
- **Development Review Board:** 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00pm. Next meeting: October 10
- **Recreation Advisory Board:** 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00am. Next meeting: October 10 in the Champlain Room, 2nd floor.
- **Conservation Commission:** 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00pm, at the Bayside Activity Center or per agenda. Next meeting: October 15
- **Selectboard:** 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm. Next meeting: September 25.

(All meetings take place at the Colchester Town Offices, 781 Blakely Road, in the Outer Bay Conference Room on the 3rd floor unless otherwise noted.)

Upcoming events:

- The Muck It Up Adventure Race on Saturday, September 29 has been cancelled due to lack of participation.



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