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Town News for the Week of July 12, 2021



Thanks to Colchester resident Jeff Rogers for this stunning shot of hot air balloons soaring over Malletts Bay.

What do you want to do today?

Manager's Message

Aaron Frank, Town Manager

This week, we would like to celebrate the successful



career of our Human Resources Director, Sherry LaBarge, who has retired from the town's employ at the end of last month. Sherry began employment with the Town of Colchester in the Town Manager's office in January of 1989, moving to Executive Assistant for Human Resources in September 1999 and in 2003, Human Resources Director.

In her 32 years with the town, Sherry recruited, hired, onboarded, encouraged, supported, and engaged

with year-round and seasonal employees as well as volunteer public safety staff. She made applicants feel wanted and respected during the hiring process, and she substantially contributed to the Town's long tenure rates.

Sherry always maintained consistency and fairness in employee relations, and held herself to the standards expected of others. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Sherry worked from her office to better serve the employees during an ever-changing situation, and helped manage the town at critical time when the Managers office staff was reduced.

Sherry also took on the task of patiently transferring decades of knowledge of our human resources operations to her successor. She substantially helped the employees, management, and the Selectboard succeed in their mission to provide services to the Town of Colchester, and we thank and honor Sherry for her dedicated and thoughtful service.

Colchester Historical Society

The 2021 Summer Newsletter for the Colchester Historical Society is now available. Learn more about the Colchester Log Schoolhouse, Colchester Pond, our town's July 4 parade history, one of our former local realtors, volunteer opportunities, and more. View the newsletter here.



Recent Cases: Chittenden County has had 27 new cases in the last 14 days. Read more here.



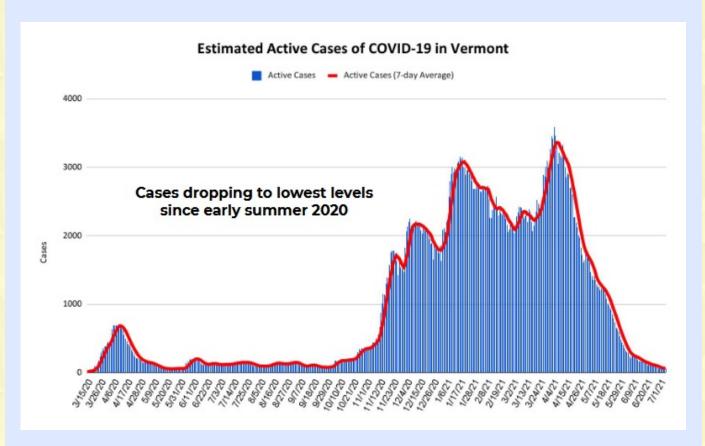
Walk-In Clinics Available

Although 82.4% of Vermont's population has received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, Governor Phil Scott and the Department of Health are still urging residents to get

vaccinated. Walk-in clinics are still being held daily around the state. To find one near you, visit the Dept. of Health's COVID-19 Vaccine <u>webpage</u>.

COVID-19 Modeling

Modeling for COVID-19 this week has shown a decrease in cases around the state and region. Cases have dropped to their lowest levels since early summer of 2020. For vaccinations, Vermont continues to lead the country in doses administered as well as percent fully and partially vaccinated. As of July 4th, 453,871 Vermonters, or 82.4%, have received at least one dose of the vaccine. The younger age groups, from 18-29 still lag behind in vaccination rates.



Vermont Vaccination Progress By Age Band Partially Vaccinated Fully Vaccinated 100% 94.95% 100% 94.57% 88.23% 81.92% 77.58% 78.10% % Population Vaccinated (2019 Census) 70 16% 61.37% 60.42% 49.26% 50% 91.26% 88.83% 76.17% 59.91% 4.55% 25% 12-15 16-17 18-21 22-29 30-39 50-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 Age Group Source: Vermont Dept. of Health-July 6, 2021

Department Updates

Julie Graeter
Town Clerk

Property Tax Billing

The new property tax billing cycle started July 1St, and property tax bills are being printed and mailed. Property owners will receive bills in the mail by July 15th. When you receive your bill, make sure you review it for the correct tax rate and state payment related to filing your VT Homestead Declaration/Property Tax Credit. The



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final deadline to file this is October 15th, 2021. Get it in sooner rather than later! To find forms, file online, and for more information on your property tax bill, <u>click here</u>.

The 2021/2022 property tax bill has a new look. It provides more information on the school and town tax rates, how they are determined, and why we collect them. If you have any questions please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 264-5520, email us at townclerk@colchestervt.gov, or visit us during office hours, Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Property Tax Bill

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2021/2022

Town of Colchester

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07/02/2021

Installments not paid by the end of the office hours on the due date become delinquent and will be collected with 5% penalty for 30 days and an additional 3% after 30 days; plus 1% interest per month for 90 days, 1.5% per month there after. Official US Postmark accepted. Postdated checks are not accepted, all payments will be processed immediately. Payment options are found at www.colchestervt.gov. NOTE: Please forward to new owner if property is sold.

Location: xx Colchester Street

Address

HOUSESITE TAX INFORMATION 1706917 SPAN #153-048-xxxxx

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Colchester Owner OWNER

Colchester Street Address COLCHESTER VT 05446

FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES

ASSESSED VALUE

NONHOMESTEAD

REAL 18,600 18,600

SCL CODE: 048

TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE

GRAND LIST VALUES

18,600

186.00

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Municipal Services Tax Rate: The Sclediboard is the legislative body that sets the municipal services tax rate to raise the necessary funds to cover the cost of providing municipal services in the Town of Colchester.

MUNICIPAL TAXES

State Education Tax Rate: Homestead/Non-homestead rates are set annually by the VT Legislature and the Dept. of Taxes. This portion is collected by the town and submitted to the Colchester School District as required by the State of Vermont. For tax calculation see reverse side.

TAX RATE x GRAND LIST = TAXES

EDUCATION TAXES TAX RATE x GRAND LIST =

TAXES

TAX RATE NAME

104.03 TOTAL MUNICIPAL TAX MUNICIPAL STATE PAYMENT 0.00 MUNICIPAL NET TAX DUE 104.03 NON RESIDENTIAL EDUCATION 1.8681 347.4 TOTAL EDUCATION TAX 347.4

EDUCATION STATE PAYMENT

EDUCATION NET TAX DUE 347.47 TAX SUMMARY Municipal Services + State Education Amount Due Due Date 08/16/2021 TOTAL TAX 451.50 11/15/2021 150.50 TOTAL STATE PAYMENT 0.00 03/15/2022 150.50 TOTAL NET TAX DUE 451.50

TAX RATE NAME

TOWN OF COLCHESTER TOWN OF COLCHESTER

Tax Year 2021/2022 08/16/2021 Due Date

Colchester Owner xx-xxxxx-xxxxx

Amount Due 150.50

Tax Year 2021/2022

11/15/2021 Due Date

COLCHESTER OWNER XX-XXXXX-XXXXXXX

Amount Due 150.50

TOWN OF COLCHESTER

Tax Year 2021/2022 03/15/2022

Due Date

COLCHESTER OWNER XX-XXXXXX-XXXXXXX

Amount Due 150.50

PLEASE RETURN THE STUBS WITH PAYMENTS.

Cash, Checks, Credit/Debit

Payments Accepted

OFFICE HOURS:

7:30AM - 4:30PM

(MONDAY - FRIDAY)

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TOWNCLERK@COLCHESTERVT.GOV WWW.COLCHESTERVT.GOV

Upcoming Town Meetings

Agendas available here

- Planning Commission: Next meeting TBD
- Development Review Board: Next meeting: July 14 at 7:00 p.m.
 - Live stream
 - Mail or email public comments prior to the hearing
 (<u>zmaia@colchestervt.gov</u>) or Town of Colchester, c/o Development
 Review Board, 781 Blakely Road, Colchester, VT 05446) or participate at
 public comment periods during the Zoom meeting.
- Recreation Advisory Board: Next meeting: TBA
- Conservation Commission: Next meeting: July 19, 6:00 p.m.
- Library Board of Trustees: Next meeting: July 15, 4:30 p.m. in person at the Burnham Memorial Library, masks required; or via Zoom: Dial in: (929)205-6099; Meeting ID: 951 5132 1071; Passcode: 761145
- Selectboard: Next meeting: July 27 with executive session at 5:00 p.m. and general topics at 6:30 p.m. at 781 Blakely Road in the third floor Outer Bay Room. Attend in person with masks if you are unvaccinated. Masks are optional for fully-vaccinated folks. Alternatively, send a note to TownManager@colchestervt.gov with "Citizens to be Heard" in the Subject and your name. As with in-person Citizens to be Heard, we ask that you SHARE YOUR ADDRESS. The email will be shared with the entire Selectboard prior to the meeting and included in the information packet at the next meeting. Watch the meeting online via live stream: http://lcatv.org/live-stream-2

Selectboard Agenda

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