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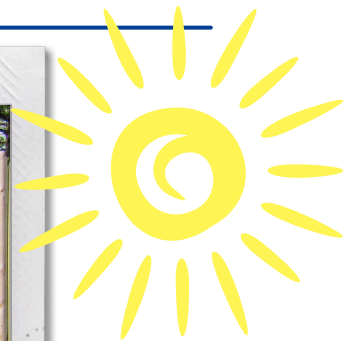


Town Newsletter

July 25, 2021



Ribbon Ceremony Fall 2019
Geoff Urbanik Pictured on the Far Left



Town Manager's Message

Last week, Geoff Urbanik resigned from his position as Deputy Town Manager. He shared that he loved every minute of serving the Colchester community.

Geoff joined the Town of Colchester in 2018 with considerable experience — he knew the municipal business from the inside out. He quickly came to understand how Colchester's residents, leaders, and staff worked together to make the town's governance and services function.

Geoff oversaw the start-up of our first two solar farms, which now produce about 60% of the electric energy consumed in the provision of municipal services. This will save the town about \$1M over the life of the facilities. He successfully negotiated service and equipment contracts, saving money and allowing us to budget affordably. Geoff also updated Colchester's ethics ordinance, collaborated with the Essex Community Justice Center, and drafted recommendations for non-profit funding the past two fiscal years.

Geoff understood our community goals and implemented them. He was also a pleasure to work within any situation. Please join us in wishing Geoff and his family well.

**Aaron
Frank**





Connect with Colchester



Front Porch Forum (FPF)

FPF requires the town to pay \$2,700 for annual access to its private platform to connect with locals and community members. Six FPF neighborhoods in Colchester (Bay Creek, Clay Point, Colchester Village, Colchester West, Malletts Bay, and The Fort) were launched in 2006, and we try to monitor these forums daily. However, if you want town staff to respond or be aware of something, please call or email us directly: tinyurl.com/Col-Town-Dir. If you don't know whom to contact, reach out to the Town Manager's Office by phone at 802-264-5509 or by email at townmanager@colchestervt.gov.

Covid-19 Update

In the last 14 days, there have been 104 recent cases of Coronavirus in Chittenden County. For further information, please visit the [Vermont Department of Health's Dashboard](#).

Walk-in clinics and appointments for the Johnson & Johnson, Moderna, or Pfizer vaccines are available today. To find a site near you, make an appointment, or for further information about before- and after-care, please visit the Vermont Department of Health's webpage, [Getting the COVID-19 Vaccine](#), or call 855-722-7878.



85.2% of Chittenden County residents 12+ have received one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine as of July 23, 2021.

Source: healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-dashboard

Service Spotlight

With Information Technology (IT) System Administrator Appreciation Day this week on Friday, July 30th, Colchester thanks its IT staff Adam Cohen and Gary Coryer for supporting the town's internal networks and audio, telecom, and video systems!

Employee Spotlight

Meet Adam Cohen, Technology Systems Engineer

After growing up on Long Island, Adam moved to Vermont to attend Champlain College. Adam had a knack for problem-solving, and it was clear that his niche would be in IT.

At Information Technology

Adam manages the town's Information Technology infrastructure. He considers himself a lifelong learner and is constantly staying up-to-date on computer network systems.

Outside of Town Hall

When Adam isn't working, you could find him cooking barbeque with his new smoker or riding his bike in the mountains.





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Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, July 27

- Selectboard Meeting 5:00 pm
 - Citizens to Be Heard 6:30 pm
- Location: Colchester Town Offices, 781 Blakely Road, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room
- Note this meeting is in person. Masking is based on vaccination status, or send a note to townmanager@colchestervt.gov with 'Citizens to be Heard,' your name, and address – the email will be shared with the entire Selectboard before the meeting.



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Upcoming Events

Burnham Memorial Library [www](http://www.burnhamlibrary.org)

Tuesday, July 27

- Outdoor Storytime 10:30 - 11:00 am

Wednesday, July 28

- Weekly Bookactivities: Papier Mache 2:00 - 3:00 pm
- Outdoor Young Writers & Storytellers 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Friday, July 23

- Outdoor Yoga for Kids 11:00 - 11:30 am

Summer Concerts

Thursday, July 29

- Chad Hollister Quartet 7:00 pm
 - Location: Lower Bayside Park

Friday, July 30

- Abe Ovadia 6:30 pm
 - Location: Library Lawn

Friday, August 6

- CHS Alumni Jazz Band 6:30 pm
 - Location: Lower Bayside Park

