

For the Week of March 24th, 2025

Manager's Message:

Aaron Frank, Town Manager

The Town of Colchester requested changes to improve the safety of the State of Vermont Highway US-Rt. 2 at the intersection of Clay Point Road. The Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC), which is responsible for planning and programming State and Federal transportation funding, agreed to fund a study of the intersection at US-Rt. 2 and Clay Point Road. The goal of this study is to develop alternatives to improve safety at this intersection. During this study, CCRPC and the Town will be holding meetings to hear input from the public.

The first of these meetings is scheduled for:

**Thursday, April 3, 2025
6:00-8:00 PM
Colchester Town Hall, 781 Blakely Road
3rd Floor Conference Room**

It is vital that residents and travelers make their positions known on the importance of making meaningful safety changes at this intersection. We strongly encourage public participation at this meeting. Spread the word and we look forward to hearing from you on the 3rd.

Visit CCRPC's project site for more information: <https://www.ccrpcvt.org/our-work/transportation/current-projects/scoping/us-2-clay-point-road-intersection-scoping-study/>

To learn more about the project and its history, read this memo from the Department of Public Works: https://clerkshq.com/Content/Attachments/Colchester-vt/240625_05c.pdf?clientSite=Colchester-vt

Colchester Lions Club Diaper Drive:

The Colchester Lions Club is hosting a diaper drive to collect diapers and wipes to be donated to various food shelves and community centers in the area. There are several places in Colchester where diapers and wipes can be dropped off including:

- Colchester Town Hall: 781 Blakely Road
- Burnham Memorial Library: 898 Main Street
- Dick Mazza's General Store: 777 West Lakeshore Drive
- M&T Bank – Colchester: 794 West Lakeshore Drive
- State Farm Insurance at Creek Farm Plaza: 65 Creek Farm Plaza

Drop boxes can be found at the listed locations. The Diaper Drive will run until April 30, 2025.

A Message from VTrans: Exit 17 Construction Update

DATE: Friday, March 21, 2025

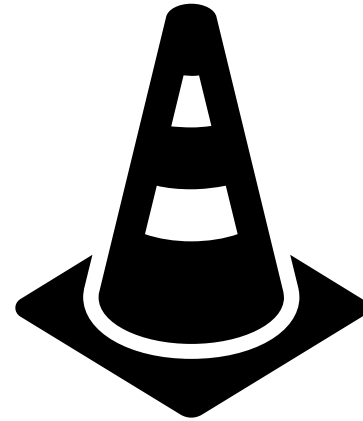
Starting next week, crews will resume construction at the site of the project area for the 2025 season. Traffic control signage, general clean up, and line striping along the I-89 southbound deceleration lane and off-ramp are planned.

TRAFFIC IMPACT AND DURATION: From Monday, March 24 through Friday, March 28, there is potential for I-89 to be intermittently reduced to a single lane in both directions near Exit 17 during off-peak hours: 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. on I-89 northbound and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on I-89 southbound.

Visit the project website for more information: <https://vtrans.vermont.gov/projects/colchester-exit17>

Questions and concerns about the project can be directed to VTrans at:

- Email: info@ColchesterExit17.com
- 24-Hour Project Hotline (802) 595-4399



Department Updates:

Town Clerk's

Office:

Dog Licenses are due soon!
See here for more information.



NEW FEES ***As of January 1, 2025***

Fees:

Fixed dog	\$20.00
Non-fixed dog	\$25.00
To avoid an additional \$5.00 fee, license your dog before April 1st.	

The state of Vermont requires all dogs to be licensed with their town, 20 V.S.A. § 3581.

A current rabies certificate along with proof of spay/neuter and fee is needed to issue the license and tag.

Licensing can be completed online, by mail or in person.

For more information go to <https://colchestervt.gov/323/Dog-Licensing> or call 802-264-5520.

Town of Colchester
781 Blakely Rd



Upcoming Town Meetings & Agendas

Selectboard Meeting: Tuesday, April 8th, 6:30 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting. Alternatively, send a note, up to 1,000 words, 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>
- Agenda: www.bit.ly/Colchester-SB-Agendas

Planning Commission: Wednesday, April 2nd, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docid=PLANAGENDA>

Recreation Advisory Board: Wednesday, April 9th, 7:00 a.m. at the Colchester Recreation Center, 80 Dick Mazza Drive. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docId=RecAdv&path=BOARDS%2CRecAdv%2C>

Development Review Board: Wednesday, April 9th, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting or public comments can be submitted prior to the hearing by email to zmaia@colchestervt.gov or by mail to Town of Colchester, c/o Development Review Board, 781 Blakely Road, Colchester, VT 05446. Agenda: https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docid=DRBAGENDA&path=DRB%2CDRB_Agendas%2CDRBAGENDA%2C

Library Board of Trustees: Thursday, April 17th, 4:00 p.m., in the Burnham Room of the Burnham Memorial Library. Agenda: <https://clerkshq.com/Colchester-vt?docId=LibBoard&path=BOARDS%2CLibBoard%2C>

Colchester Conservation Commission: Monday, April 21st, 6:00 p.m. in the Champlain Room, Colchester Town Office. https://clerkshq.com/Content/Colchester-vt/Boards/ConservCommssn.htm#_CPA1

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For more information or to comment, call 802-264-5509 or email townmanager@colchestervt.gov