

For the Week of May 31, 2022

Manager's Message

Aaron Frank, Town Manager

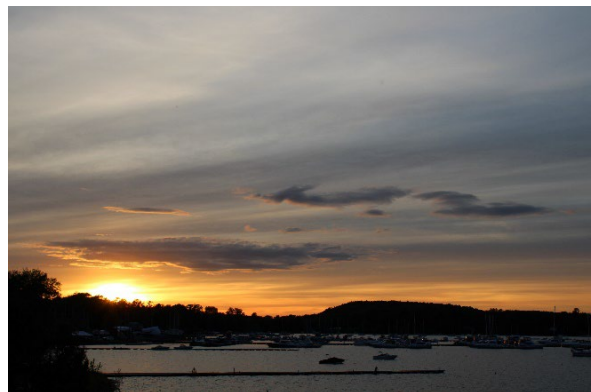
Green Up Day Summary:

Again, thank you to all—Colchester Conservation Commission members, Colchester Department of Public Works, volunteers, students, and participants from around the community—who helped Green Up Colchester on May 7th!



A special thanks to Casella Waste Systems for their sponsorship of Green Up Day and collecting and tracking trash data, CWSD for covering additional litter disposal costs, and Myers Container Services for donating the roll off container at the Town Offices for litter that was collected in our community on Green Up Day.

This year, Colchester collected the most tires and tons of trash when compared to the data from the past five years! The Department of Public works reported six single axle dump truck and two tandem axle dump truck loads of tires, when normally there are only three single axle loads—great work! In total, 883 tires were collected, which add up to 18,980 lbs. or 9.49 tons. Additionally, 9,360 lbs., or 4.68 tons, of trash were picked up in our community.



Thank you for continuing to make Colchester a beautiful place to live!



Congratulations to Colchester School District Superintendent, Amy Minor!

CSD Superintendent of Schools, Amy Minor, has been awarded the Superintendent Association's high distinction of 2022 Vermont Superintendent of the Year. Superintendent Minor has been with the district for over 20 years and has served many roles leading up to superintendent including substitute, teacher, assistant

principal, and principal. To read more about Superintendent Minor's work, head over to the Colchester Sun: <https://colchestervt.info/Sun-Superintendent-Award>. To hear from CSD staff and students about Ms. Minor, watch this video: <https://youtu.be/Xm44REjTmA8>.



CSWD is kicking off their summer tour season! They have lots of FREE tours and workshops coming up, and the current listings are displayed below. More will be added regularly, and you can visit the CSWD [tours, webinars, and workshops page](#) to see the current schedule and sign up.

Wednesday, June 1

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Materials Recovery Facility

Public Tour: CSWD's Materials Recovery Facility (Recycling Center)

Wednesday, June 8

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Materials Recovery Facility

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Wednesday, June 8

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Green Mountain Compost – EduShed
Backyard Composting Workshop

Wednesday, June 15

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Materials Recovery Facility

Public Tour: CSWD’s Materials Recovery Facility (Recycling Center)

Saturday, June 18

10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Green Mountain Compost – EduShed

Backyard Composting Workshop

Wednesday, June 22

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Materials Recovery Facility

Public Tour: CSWD’s Materials Recovery Facility (Recycling Center)

Wednesday, June 22

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Green Mountain Compost – EduShed

Backyard Composting Workshop

Wednesday, June 29

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Materials Recovery Facility

Public Tour: CSWD’s Materials Recovery Facility (Recycling Center)

Department Updates

Burnham Memorial Library

The library has recently expanded its hours, and we are now open from 10 am - 6 pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and from 10 am - 3 pm on Fridays.

Our browsing hours are as follows:

Mondays & Thursdays: 12 pm - 6 pm

Tuesdays & Wednesdays: 10 am - 6 pm

Fridays & Saturdays: 10 am - 3 pm



We are looking forward to expanding hours in the future, but have been unable to expand further because of staffing shortages.

We are also looking to modify our service hours, and would like your input. Please see the information below on how you can help us plan for the addition of hours and services that best serve the Colchester community. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

To access the survey, please follow this link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScKLPw5drYycwt70OvG-c1xzCgTJrYGBbJA2q2L4DQbnbN43g/viewform>

Friends of the Burnham Library Used Book Sale! – Volunteers Needed!

One of the most frequently asked questions at the library is: when is the next used book sale?

We're happy to announce the **book sale will take place from June 24 – June 26 at Colchester High School!** The Friends of the Burnham Library are excited to begin planning our summer used book sale after a two-year hiatus.

Our greatest need? Volunteers!

This is an excellent short-term volunteer opportunity – great for both teens (who need community service) and adults. There will be plenty of opportunities and time slots.

We need volunteers to help unload donated books and to sort books during the week leading up to the sale, as well as volunteers to assist during the sale, to pack up unsold books, as well as volunteers willing to help with organizing.

Some other jobs that we need help with are:

- Putting up and taking down lawn signs
- Collecting boxes before the sale
- Refreshments for volunteers
- Silent auction
- Transportation of unsold books

Approximately 300 volunteer hours are needed to make this event a success!

So, are you considering helping us out? There will be sign-up sheets at the library soon, or you can email FOBLVT@gmail.com and we will tell you all you need to know and find a time-slot or two for you to volunteer.

Information about book drops will be coming soon. Please hold on to your books for the time being.

We look forward to volunteering with our friends and neighbors to make this a successful event!

Colchester Police Department

In the past month, Colchester Police have responded to 11 stolen vehicle reports as well as an additional 8 larcenies from motor vehicles. In each case, the vehicle was found unlocked with the keys left inside. Please help us keep your belongings safe. Lock your car, take the keys!



Upcoming Town Meetings

Selectboard: Tuesday, June 14, 6:30 pm at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Residents are welcome to attend the meeting or alternatively send a note, up to 1,000 words, to TownManager@colchestervt.gov with "Citizens to be Heard" in the Subject and their name and address in the body of the email. The email will be shared with the entire Selectboard prior to the meeting and included in the information packet at the next meeting (as the information packet for the current meeting is sent out along with the agenda).

- Watch the Meeting Online via Live Stream: <http://lcatv.org/live-stream-2>
- Agenda: www.bit.ly/Colchester-SB-Agendas

Development Review Board: Wednesday, June 8, 7:00 pm 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.



Colchester – What do you want to do today?

Planning Commission: Tuesday, June 7, 7:00 pm, at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road

Rec Advisory Board: Wednesday, June 8, 7:00 am at the Town Offices.

Library Board of Trustees: Thursday, June 16, 4:30 pm, in the Burnham Room of the Burnham Memorial Library.

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