

For the Week of August 31, 2026

Manager's Message

Aaron Frank, Town Manager

Town Hall and Library Closure – Monday, September 7

Colchester Town Hall and the Burnham Memorial Library will be closed Monday, September 7, in observance of Labor Day.

The Colchester Recreation Center will be open in the morning on this date but **will close early at 12:30 p.m.**

On Labor Day we acknowledge workers in all industries and take time to appreciate their social and economic achievements. Thank you to all the workers that help make Colchester a great place to live!



Property Taxes Due August 31st

Please be aware the first installment of the Fiscal Year Municipal Services and State of Vermont Education Property Taxes is due today (August 31st).

Ways to pay can be found at <https://colchestervt.gov/330/Payment-Options> and include:

- In person at the Town Clerk's counter, M-F, 8:00am to 4:30pm.
- Online via link above
- Using the drop box at the front of Town Hall

Colchester does accept US postmarked mailed payments of August 31st or earlier as on time. Please be sure to have your payment hand canceled (stamped) at a US Postal Office service counter.

If you have any questions reach out to the Town Clerk's Office at townclerk@colchestervt.gov or 802-264-5520.

Vermont U.S. Postal Service is Hiring!

Join the USPS at a Postal Hiring Event near you!



Upcoming Events: Colchester Post Office, 218 Malletts Bay Avenue, Colchester, VT 05446

- **Tuesday, September 1, 2026, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**
- **Tuesday, September 15, 2026, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Can't make it to a hiring event? Call (207) 482-7233 or email MENHVTRecruitment@usps.gov to be contacted by a team member!

Apply today at usps.com/careers!

Colchester Fall Market – Vendors Needed!

The Town is looking for vendors for this year's Fall Market!

This year, the event will be held on **Saturday, October 24 from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the Colchester Recreation Center.**

Don't miss your chance to be a part of this great event!

To obtain an application or more information, please contact Nicole Conley at NConley@colchestervt.gov.



2027 Town Plan Neighborhood Survey

The second Town Plan Survey is now live!

Completing this survey will help guide the creation of the 2027 Town Plan, which will be THE vision document for the Town of Colchester. The Town Plan is revised and adopted every eight (8) years and seeks to gather input from as many stakeholders as possible.

Fill out the survey by visiting this link

(<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/1976397047e948dd8a802e43863f529f/>) or by scanning the QR code. We encourage you to pass on the survey to your neighbors and Colchester friends!



For more information on the Town Plan, visit: colchestervt.gov/townplan

Department Updates

Department of Parks & Recreation– September Wellness Newsletter & Fitness Schedule

WELLNESS NEWSLETTER

COLCHESTER RECREATION CENTER



Recreation Center Updates

A Friendly Reminder: Respect Our Shared Space
Our gym is a community, and we want every member to feel welcome, comfortable, and respected. Please remember that the gym is a shared space, not anyone's personal gym. Be mindful of others by limiting your time on equipment during busy hours, wiping down machines after use, and allowing others to work in when appropriate. A little courtesy goes a long way in creating a positive environment where everyone can enjoy their workout.

Thank you for helping make our gym a welcoming place for all!

September Fitness Challenge

Sit-Up Challenge

Push yourself to build core strength, endurance, and consistency! Complete as many sit-ups as you can each day and track your progress throughout the challenge. Stay motivated, challenge yourself, and see how much stronger you can get!

Upcoming Events at the Rec Center

September 7th - Building closes @ 12:30 PM

September 18th - Fall Concert @ 6 PM Devon McGarry Band

October 24th - Fall Market @ 9 AM

September Fitness Class Registration Updates!

Registration for September Fitness Classes begins Monday August 31, at 8:00 AM. You can now sign up for all of your favorite fitness classes from your own computer!

Log on to your Civic Rec account, select CATALOG → CRC FITNESS CLASS STUDIO → Add your favorite classes to your cart and check out!

If you have issues signing on and/or registering please feel free to call the front desk for assistance (802) 264-5640. This is our first attempt at self-registration so please be patient with us and yourself.

Merchandise Available!



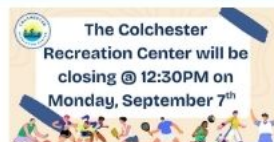
Explore our Colchester Recreation Center merchandise for the whole family. Scan the QR code or visit our website to shop.

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Fitness Instructor Spotlight



Robin Miller is a longtime Colchester resident who began teaching classic mat Pilates at the Colchester Recreation Center in July. She plans to complete her Inferno Hot Pilates certification later this month. Outside the studio, Robin serves as oral health director at the Vermont Department of Health and coordinates the Vermont Dog Hiking Challenge (less barkin', more hikin'!)



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Cucumber Mint Dip

- ¼ Cup - Cucumber chopped
- ¼ Cup - Plain Yogurt (low fat)
- 1 Garlic clove
- 1 Tablespoon - Mint
- 1 Tablespoon - Dill
- 1 Tablespoon - Parsley
- 1 Tablespoon - Fresh lemon juice
- ½ Tablespoon - Olive oil
- Dash of salt
- Dash of pepper

Combine all ingredients in blender and mix until smooth.

Test My Health Knowledge

What are shorter sleep cycles associated with?

- A. Atrophy
- B. Weight gain
- C. Muscle wasting
- D. Weight loss

Check in at the front desk to find out the answer!

To view September's fitness schedule and a description of the classes offered at the Recreation Center, visit: <https://colchestervt.gov/3341/Fitness-Schedule>

Upcoming Town Meetings & Agendas

Selectboard Meeting: Tuesday, September 8, 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: https://records.colchestervt.gov/Colchester-vt?docId=AGENDA&path=Colch_CityCouncil%2CColchester_BOS_Agendas%2CAGENDA%2C

Recreation Advisory Board: Wednesday, September 9, 7:00 a.m. at the Colchester Recreation Center, 80 Dick Mazza Drive. Agenda: https://records.colchestervt.gov/Colchester-vt?docId=RecAdv_1&path=BOARDS%2CRecAdv%2CRecAdv_1%2C

Planning Commission: Tuesday, September 15, 7:00 p.m. at the Colchester Town Offices, 3rd Floor Outer Bay Conference Room, 781 Blakely Road. Agenda: https://records.colchestervt.gov/Colchester-vt?docId=PLANAGENDA&path=PLAN%2CPLAN_Agendas%2CPLANAGENDA%2C

Development Review Board: Wednesday, September 9, 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 pzinfo@colchestervt.gov or by mail to Town of Colchester, c/o Development Review Board, 781 Blakely Road, Colchester, VT 05446. Agenda:

https://records.colchestervt.gov/Colchester-vt?docId=DRBAGENDA&path=DRB%2CDRB_Agendas%2CDRBAGENDA%2C

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

Colchester Conservation Commission: Next meeting date TBD.

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<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/zBiFlto/ColchesterTownNewsletter>

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