

Greetings from Colebrook Town Hall.

Last night, the Region 7 Board of Education presented its fiscal year 2024/25 budget. We will be voting on their budget on Tuesday May 7th at Town referendum, along with our own Town budget (comprised of the Board of Selectmen's and Colebrook Consolidated School budgets).

Next Monday night at 7 p.m., the Board of Selectmen will consider a proposal from the Town Voter Registrars to align our May 7th voting hours more closely with neighboring Region 7 towns. Norfolk and Barkhamsted, for example, keep their polls open from noon to 8 p.m. (the State minimum). As explained in last week's email, our Registrars are recommending that we move to a 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. schedule for referendum voting to better manage our staff and budget resources.

The Connecticut Presidential Preference Primary will take place on Tuesday, April 2nd from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Colebrook residents will be able to vote early at Town Hall on March 26th, 27th, 28th and 30th, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Learn more [here](#), or on the [Colebrook Registrar of Voters](#) page on our website.

We are currently interviewing candidates for Director(s) of the Colebrook Community & Senior Center (CCSC). If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please reply to this email, or call me at 860.379.3359, ext. 202.

Please join us at the Community & Senior Center on Thursday, March 28th at noon for a Pot Luck Lunch with live music. We will use this opportunity to celebrate outgoing Director Debbie Crowell and thank her for her service to our community. If you plan to participate, please contact CCSC to sign up.

Recently, we reached out to all known Colebrook residents who served in the U.S. Armed Forces during the Vietnam era, inviting them to a Colebrook Veterans Awards ceremony to be held on Monday, June 3rd. The event will be hosted jointly by the Town, Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz and the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs, and will be held at the Colebrook Consolidated School. If you served during that period, but did not hear from us, please contact Town Hall.

Applications are available in Town Hall (just outside the Town Clerk's office) for the Colebrook Associates 2024 Scholarship Program. Deadline to apply is April 30th.

Town Hall will be closed next Friday in observance of Good Friday. Trash pickup will be on a normal schedule next week.

Upcoming Town events:

The Colebrook Lions Club will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt outdoors on the soccer field at Colebrook Consolidated School on Saturday, March 23rd, beginning at 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

The Colebrook Recreation Board is hosting a Pasta Dinner fundraiser in support of our youth sports program on Sunday, April 7th from 4:30-7 p.m. at the Colebrook Community & Senior Center. The price is \$12 for adults and \$8 for children, with multiple seatings and a to-go option. Tickets can be pre-ordered and seating times booked [here](#). Tickets purchased at the door will be \$2 more per meal.

The Colebrook Conservation Commission will be hosting Colebrook Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 27th. Pick up large garbage bags at Colebrook Town Hall, second floor Meeting Room from 9 a.m. to noon. Sign up to clean a road that morning, or you can sign up in advance by emailing kodell@colebrooktownhall.org, or by calling 860.379.3359, ext. 202.

Upcoming municipal board meetings:

Board of Selectmen – Monday, March 25th at Town Hall at 7 p.m. (Second Floor Meeting Room)

Capital Improvement Program Committee – Thursday, March 28th at Town Hall at 5 p.m. (Land Use office)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org, or call me at 860.379.3359, extension 202.

Cordially,

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