Greetings from Colebrook Town Hall.

This past week, we received approval for two grants applied for earlier this year. Last Friday, we learned the Northwest CT Community Foundation Draper Foundation Fund is awarding the Community & Senior Center \$5,650 to install automatic door openers at the Center to improve handicap accessibility.

Yesterday, Governor Lamont announced that we were one of 46 communities to receive a grant provided through the Small Town Economic Assistance Program, a state initiative that supports economic development, community conservation, and quality-of-life capital projects. We are receiving \$412,739.02 to repave the Center Firehouse parking lot, and 2.5 miles of Deer Hill, Gaylord, Millbrook and Phelps Roads. This will be matched by \$103,184.76 from our town Capital Improvement Program budget.

Next Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6 p.m. a public informational meeting will be held in the upstairs meeting room at Town Hall to discuss whether to continue prohibiting vehicle access on Pisgah Mountain Road.

The Colebrook Preservation Society is seeking financial support to make the interior space of the iconic Colebrook Store building more sound, functional, and welcoming. If you would like to support this project, please send your tax-deductible donation to CPS, P.O. Box 24, Colebrook, CT 06021.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, at the Falls Village Public Works Garage (100 Railroad St.) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Contact Karen at Town Hall (kodell@colebrooktownhall.org) for a ticket to participate. You can find a list of eligible/ineligible items here.

If you are interested in participating in our proposed pilot food scrap recycling program, and have not already signed up, please do so here. If the link to our signup sheet doesn't work for you, please contact Karen at kodell@colebrooktownhall.org. We are hoping to kick off the program during July/August and will email details to everyone who signed up.

June is Dog License Month. All dogs over the age of six months are required by Connecticut law to be licensed. For your convenience, beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> dog license renewal will be available online on the town website at (www.townofcolebrook.org/town-clerk/). This service is available for dogs previously licensed in Colebrook with a current rabies certificate on file and will include a one-dollar processing fee. In-person licensing is available at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours. To renew by mail, please include a check and a self-addressed, stamped, return envelope. Please make checks payable to the "Colebrook Town Clerk." Please contact the Town Clerk's office (860) 379-3359, extension 203, with any questions.

Breakfast is served at the Community & Senior Center every Tuesday from 8-9:15 a.m. Price is \$6. Lunch is Thursday at noon. Price is \$7, with Tuesday 1 p.m. registration requested. Bingo is every Tuesday at 1 p.m. We have an active group of volunteer Bingo callers and are looking to add to our group. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact me at <a href="mailto:bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org">bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org</a>.

Our youth baseball season is winding down. The Norbrook Royals' final two games will be at home at Colebrook Field on Cooper Lane next Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

## **Upcoming events**

On Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 2-5 p.m., a raffle fundraiser featuring dozens of prizes will be held at Norbrook Farm Brewery in support of the Colebrook Consolidated School 2026 Nature's Classroom trip. Winners need not be present.

At 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, the <u>Colebrook Historical Society</u> will host an Open House to kick off its 2025 summer exhibit, "Clothed in History". Garments worn throughout history will be on display. Refreshments will be served at the open house. You may also view the exhibit and/or tour the Seymour Inn when the Historical Society opens on Saturdays and Sundays (11 a.m.-1 p.m.) beginning on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, and through the end of summer.

The Colebrook Board of Education will honor Principal Beth Driscoll by hosting an informal drop-in on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30-7 p.m. in the school library. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited.

On Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, from 1-2:30 p.m., the Conservation Commission and US Army Corps of Engineers are sponsoring a 1-mile walk at the Corps' scenic 388-acre Colebrook River Lake property on Rt. 8. This event is part of <u>CT Trails Day</u> weekend. Leaders for this walk along the Beaver Pond trail will be Joyce Hemingson, from the Conservation Commission, and James Jylkka, with the US Army Corps of Engineers. The group will meet at 426A Colebrook River Road in Colebrook.

Camp Jewell is celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Colebrook this year. On Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, from 2-5 p.m., the Camp is hosting a family Community Day. Featured activities include archery, boating and climbing.

Everyone is invited to enjoy pancakes, sausage and eggs at the Colebrook Lions Club annual Father's Day Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, from 8-11 a.m. The breakfast will be held at the Colebrook Community & Senior Center. Prices are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children and is payable at the door. Proceeds fund scholarships and other local initiatives.

## Upcoming municipal board meetings

Board of Education – Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Consolidated School

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at <a href="mailto:bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org">bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org</a>, or call me at 860.379.3359, extension 202.

Cordially,

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