

Greetings from Colebrook Town Hall.

Our Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, October 20th, at 8 p.m. in the second floor meeting room at Colebrook Town Hall. That night, we’ll be electing members and alternates for the following: Planning & Zoning Commission; Zoning Board of Appeals; Recreation Board; and Historic District Commission.

Municipal elections will be held on Tuesday, November 4th, to fill positions on the following: Board of Selectmen; Board of Finance; Board of Education; and Board of Assessment Appeals. Also on the ballot are the following elected positions: Town Clerk; Town Treasurer; Tax Collector; and Constables.

Early voting at Town Hall for the November municipal elections will be available beginning Monday, October 20th. Details to follow.

With recent state approval of our STEAP grant funds, we have now scheduled dates for paving on Deer Hill, Gaylord, Millbrook and Phelps Roads, and at the Center Firehouse parking lot. Weather permitting, this will take place the week of October 27th. More details will follow as paving week approaches.

Our pilot food scrap recycling initiative is underway. Bear-resistant collection stations are in place at Town Hall and the Forge Firehouse. The collection stations will be open 24/7.

The town is currently accepting applications for energy assistance. Please contact Karen Odell to set up an appointment, or with any questions, at kodell@colebrooktownhall.org.

Next month, the town will be collaborating with the Nature Conservancy on a Community Resilience Building workshop to address the potential impact of unpredictable and severe weather on our community. Our goal is to identify and prioritize the steps necessary to reduce risk and improve resilience across Colebrook, including community resilience planning and hazard mitigation efforts.

There will be a hazardous waste collection day on Saturday, November 8th, at the Torrington Water Pollution Control Facility in Harwinton. Details to follow in the coming weeks.

Frontier Communications is currently going door-to-door, coincident with their recent upgrade in service to the area, to make residents aware of their service offering.

The Colebrook Associates Food Pantry, located in the vestibule of the Community & Senior Center, needs breakfast cereal and baked goods. Donations may be left at the pantry or in the collection bin in the post office.

Fall is a great time to check out the Colebrook Land Conservancy trails, including the Hale, Rockwell, Deer Hill & Sandy Brook Trails. Learn more [here](#).

Upcoming events

The Colebrook Consolidated School Fifth-Grade Class Pumpkin & Mum Sale will be held on Saturday, October 4th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the school parking lot. Pumpkins, mums, food, bake sale items and raffle tickets will be sold. Raffles will be drawn at 1 p.m. Proceeds benefit the 2027 Nature’s Classroom trip.

Flu vaccines for those age 18 and older will be available on Thursday, October 9th, from 9-11 a.m. at the Community & Senior Center. This program is being offered through the Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Litchfield County. Insurances accepted, including Aetna, Anthem Blue Cross, Harvard Pilgrim HC, Medicare Part B, ConnectiCare, and United Health Care Advantage (over age 65).

On Friday, October 17th, the Colebrook Historical Society will host their final Friday Night Gathering of the season. Museum Educator, Annie O’Brien, will share the harrowing story of witches in colonial New England. Refreshments and mingling at 7 p.m. at the Historical Society, program at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

The Colebrook Historical Society is hosting a special concert on Saturday, November 8th, at 4 p.m. at the Colebrook Congregational Church Meeting House. Local musician and percussionist Andrew Thomson, joined by fellow performers, will perform a musical selection with pipes and assorted instruments. Their unique sound will make for a memorable afternoon.

Upcoming municipal board meetings

Board of Education – Wednesday, October 1st, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Consolidated School
Planning & Zoning – Tuesday, October 14th, at 6:30 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (second floor meeting room).
Board of Selectmen – Tuesday, October 14th, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (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,

Brad
Brad Bremer
Colebrook First Selectman
860.379.3359 ext. 202
bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org