Greetings from Colebrook Town Hall.

Later today, Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz, Connecticut Veterans Affairs Commissioner Ronald Welch, and State Representative Jay Case will help us honor more than 20 Colebrook Vietnam-era veterans at Colebrook Town Hall at 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will follow.

Last fall, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) issued a permit to modify the intersection of Route 183 and Prock Hill Road with the intent to slow traffic exiting 183 onto Prock Hill Road, and to make the intersection safer. Prock Hill Road will maintain its current width. Given that all work will occur within the State's right of way, permission from the Town was not required. The DOT reviewed and approved the design and plans from a safety perspective, and approved the project on that basis. Work will commence during July.

The Colebrook Community & Senior Center is available as a cooling center, Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays 8 a.m.-noon. Town Hall and the Community & Senior Center will be closed on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, for Independence Day. Curbside trash and recycling pickup will be pushed back one day that week.

The Town Affordable Housing Committee will be meeting in late-June/early-July to discuss a community-wide survey. The objective will be to identify those who may benefit from assistance and to increase awareness for the potential solutions available.

Dog license renewals are due by June 30<sup>th</sup>, and are available online on the town website at <u>https://link.edgepilot.com/s/a96deca2/1-x8wczsVUi0w8p2wwWapw?u=http://www.townofcolebrook.org/town-clerk/.</u>

June 30<sup>th</sup> is also the deadline to submit entries for the Colebrook Conservation Commission's nature photo contest. The Commission is using the contest to help compile a Natural Resources Inventory, as part of our Town Plan of Conservation and Development. Submit entries to <u>colebrookphotocontest@gmail.com</u>.

The Town Pond is open for swimming. Weather permitting, lifeguards will be on duty Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays (from 10 a.m.to 6 p.m.), and Sundays (noon to 6 p.m).

For many years, the flower boxes in front of our Post Office have been maintained by a team of volunteers. The boxes are changed four times annually by teams of two for each season—and we're looking for volunteers. If you'd like to help out, please drop a note to Karen at <u>kodell@colebrooktownhall.org</u>.

Long-time, former Eno Hill resident Joel Gordes passed away recently. A former State Representative for the 62nd district (1987-91), Gordes was also a well-known energy consultant. A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, Gordes flew 130 combat missions in Vietnam. Gordes' wife Lyn served on the Colebrook Board of Finance.

## **Upcoming Town events:**

On Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, at 11 a.m., the Town Recreation Board and the Colebrook Lions Club will be hosting their annual youth baseball awards picnic at the Town Pond.

On Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, the Colebrook Associates are sponsoring a Spoken & Musical Program in celebration of Independence Day. Festivities begin at 10:45 a.m. with the Bike Parade, starting from Colebrook School (line up at 10:30 a.m. to participate). The main program, beginning at 11 a.m., will include an Armed Forces medley, a patriotic sing-a-long, stories from Colebrook's past, and "Coming to Colebrook," a video showcasing some of our Town residents, and their thoughts about our beautiful town.

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

Cordially,

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