

As noted last week, due to severe drought conditions, ALL open burning in Colebrook is strictly prohibited until further notice. This includes ALL leaf burning, and the use of fire pits and chimineas, without exception. Please exercise extreme caution, especially when disposing of smoking materials outdoors.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, for Veterans Day. **Curbside trash and recycling pickup will run on a regular schedule next week.**

During this week's election, 981 Colebrook residents voted—or 89.18 % of all registered voters in town. Approximately one-third of Colebrook voters cast their ballots during the early voting period. Colebrook election results are as follows:

President/Vice President

Harris/Walz – 403  
Trump/Vance – 548  
Stein/Ware – 7  
Oliver/ter Maat – 3  
Kennedy, Jr./Shanahan – 3

State Senate

Honig – 370  
Seminara – 576

State Representative

Case – 693

U.S. Senate

Murphy – 419  
Corey – 513  
Paglino – 4  
Hyde – 6

Registrar of Voters

Odell – 473  
Gray – 469

Congress

Larson – 424  
Griffin – 502  
Sanders – 11

Absentee ballot question

Yes – 346  
No – 388

Thank you to our poll workers, our Registrars of Voters and our Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk for their tireless efforts—and a very smooth early voting and Election Day.

Last week, the Boards of Selectmen and Finance voted to send a proposed 20-year, \$4.9 million Tax Stabilization Agreement with Wind Colebrook South (WCS) to a Town-wide referendum during December, with the date to be finalized. Wind Colebrook South owns and operates the wind turbine facility on 17 and 29 Flagg Hill Road in Colebrook.

A Tax Stabilization Agreement would end WCS's nine-year tax appeal which went to trial again in May of this year—and two other tax appeals WCS had filed for subsequent tax years. As noted earlier, negotiations between the Town and WCS in July resulted in WCS making several concessions to the Town which they had previously refused to make. Since then, the Town Attorney has worked with us to negotiate agreement language. The Town will host a Public Informational Hearing prior to the referendum to enable residents to ask questions and learn more. Details to come.

The Post Office drainage/paving project is almost complete. Striping will take place tomorrow. Parking will be limited.

Anyone interested in applying for the position of highway maintainer for the Town should contact me at [bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org](mailto:bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org) by 5 p.m. tomorrow when the application period closes.

The Colebrook Consolidated School (CCS) Class of 2027 is designing a wall calendar of artwork submitted by CCS students. Proceeds from calendar sales will benefit the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class trip to Nature's Classroom. Business card-sized ads will be included on the calendar for \$20. Learn more [here](#), or by contacting Mary Stauffer at [maryhubbard86@gmail.com](mailto:maryhubbard86@gmail.com).

The Colebrook Community & Senior Center Quilters & Crafters is raffling a Handmade Tulip Quilt on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$1 apiece and can be purchased by contacting [seniordirector@colebrooktownhall.org](mailto:seniordirector@colebrooktownhall.org). The Center is also hosting a Grief Support Series beginning Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m. The series will be run by hospice-trained Paula Petty-Barber, RN, and will take place on alternate Thursdays over a 16-week period. Reach out to [seniordirector@colebrooktownhall.org](mailto:seniordirector@colebrooktownhall.org) to learn more.

The Colebrook Lions Club is selling poinsettias to support scholarships and charitable outreach. Learn more [here](#), or contact Maureen Judge at [maureenjudge7@gmail.com](mailto:maureenjudge7@gmail.com).

## Upcoming community events

Colebrook Consolidated School (CCS) will celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary tomorrow (Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>) from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the school. Community members are cordially invited to join students, staff and alumni for the festivities.

On Veterans Day, Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, CCS will be hosting a ceremony for our students. Later that day, the Colebrook Community & Senior Center will be holding a Veterans Day Lunch.

On Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at 3 p.m. the Colebrook Historical Society is hosting a special concert at the Colebrook Congregational Church. World-renowned violinist Stephanie Chase will perform "Inspired by Bach", a recital honoring the 300th anniversary of Johann Sebastian Bach's Six Sonatas and Partitas for violin solo, and other works. Admission is free.

The fall play at Northwestern Region 7 is the "*Legend of Sleepy Hollow*" and runs from November 22-24. Tickets can be purchased at <https://link.edgepilot.com/s/21b761e2/Z-C72XfH7kmDdgstZSPjQQ?u=https://nwrtheater.ticketleap.com/>.

## Upcoming municipal board meetings

Conservation Commission – Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (Selectmen meeting room)

Planning & Zoning – Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (Land Use office)

Board of Selectmen – Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (upstairs meeting room)

Board of Selectmen – Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6 p.m. at Colebrook Town Hall (upstairs meeting room) – This will be a joint meeting with the Norfolk Board of Selectmen to discuss the potential for K-6 educational collaboration.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org](mailto:bbremer@colebrooktownhall.org), or call me at 860.379.3359, extension 202.

Cordially,

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