



**MINUTES
JOINT MEETING: COLCHESTER SELECTBOARD
SCHOOL BOARD**

**AUGUST 12, 2013 @ 5:00 P.M.
COLCHESTER TOWN OFFICES
781 BLAKELY ROAD
COLCHESTER, VT**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Nadine Scibek and Dick Pecor called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and noted the significance of both Boards meeting together to discuss common issues.

2. ROLL CALL

SELECTBOARD: Nadine Scibek (Chair), Herbert Downing, and Tom Mulcahy.

SELECTBOARD ABSENT: Marc Landry and Kathrine Niquette.

TOWN ADMINISTRATION: Dawn Francis (Town Manager) and Joan Boehm (Assistant Town Manager/CFO).

SCHOOL BOARD: Dick Pecor (Chair), Craig Kieny, Lincoln White and Michael Rogers.

SCHOOLBOARD ABSENT: Christine Shepard.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION: Larry Waters (Superintendent).

3. SCHOOL BOARD/SELECTBOARD JOINT MEETING (WORK SESSION)

**a. Malletts Bay Redevelopment Update and
Town Owned Land Parcels**

Discussion began on Malletts Bay Redevelopment and the available school land that could become part of the redevelopment. It was noted that a corner of the property fronting Blakely Road needs sand plain mitigation. The school needs more parking along the ballpark and suggested using part of the park. Dawn Francis reported that the Town envisions having an event center/hotel to bring in money from those visiting the area. The main goals are to grow the Grand List, have restaurants and shops to bring in money, and have a community center on the site with the possibility of leasing some of the property. Some discussion occurred around bringing in more residential housing and if it would help the school. The school received \$9,200 per child from the state and it costs \$13,000 to education a child. More residential development would not be an advantage. Any exchange of property needs to be approved by voters and possibly the state. The School saw an advantage to having the Recreation Center built close to the high School.

c. Collaboration between School and Town Relating to Technology

d. Business Management Relating to Payroll, Human Resources and Accounting Services

Projects that the Town and School District have collaborated on in the past are:

- Town garage/District Maintenance Shop Project (\$30,000 from District)
- Sharing of maintenance equipment, machinery, tools, etc.
- Pone access system (installation and service)
- Fiber optic installation
- Voicemail system

- Rescue building on district property
- Communications specialist
- Buildings, fields & facilities for recreation programs

Other areas where more collaboration is possible include:

- Technology (operations, service, email, servers, back-ups, SharePoint, leadership, websites, etc.)
- Business Management
- Possible relocation of District Central Office in Town Hall building

e. School Security – Cameras and Systems – Possible Police Department Access

The district currently has video cameras at Colchester High School and is installing entry cameras at each school that allows for visitors to “buzz-in”. It was suggested that the Colchester Police have access to monitor the security system and have access to video for review.

There was agreement among both Boards about going forward with pursuing School/Town owned Land as a possible location for a community center.

There was agreement on sharing staff for IT services.

Both Boards initiated A Memo of Agreement to work together.

The Boards would like to meet jointly at least twice a year with the next meeting being in January or early February.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION was made by Nadine Scibek and SECONDED by Dick Pecor to adjourn the meeting.

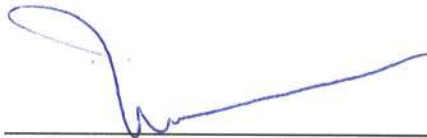
The Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by June Campbell, Recording Secretary.

SIGNATURE PAGE:

These minutes of... were approved on

COLCHESTER SELECTBOARD:



Nadine Scibek



Marc Landry



Herbert J. Downing



Kathrine Niquette



Thomas Mulcahy