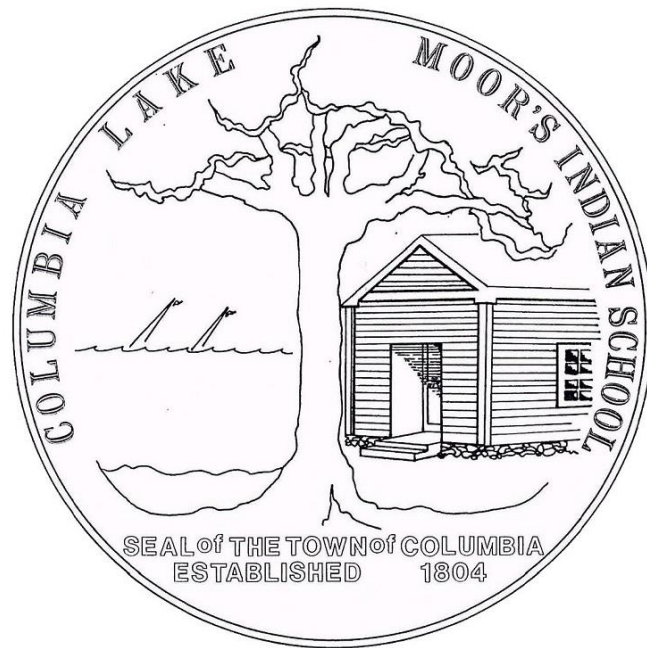


Town of Columbia



Annual Report

For the year ending
June 30, 2022

**DEDICATION
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022**

The 2021-2022 Columbia Annual Report is Dedicated to Russell Inzinga

The Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Annual Report is dedicated to Russell Inzinga. Russell Inzinga, long time Columbia resident received the Congressional Gold Medal in 2022 for his service during WWII as a U. S. Merchant Marine. During WWII, the U.S. Merchant Mariners, also known as the “Fourth Arm of Defense” provided crucial services to the U. S. Military and our allies. The Congressional Gold Medal is one of the highest honors in the U. S.

Russell was born in Willimantic in November 1921 and joined the Merchant Marines in 1942 and served aboard the E. B. Alexander. Russell made 18 transatlantic crossings on the Alexander.

During World War II, nearly 250,000 civilian merchant mariners served as part of the U.S. military and delivered supplies and armed forces personnel by ship to foreign countries engulfed in the war. Between 1939 and 1945, 9,521 merchant mariners lost their lives — a higher proportion than those killed than in any military branch, according to the National World War II Museum.

After his time in the service, Russell opened Russell’s Barber Shop in Manchester and worked as a barber for 68 years. Russell and his wife lived in the rear of the house of the barber shop for several years before he moved, he and his family to Columbia.

We are forever grateful for Russell Inzinga’s service, and we are very pleased that he has finally received the Congressional Gold Medal for serving his country with honor and bravery.

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Town Offices & Department Information

<u>Department</u>		<u>Office Hours</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Administrative Office:		Mon - Thur 8 am - 4 pm	860-228-0110
First Selectman	Steven M. Everett	Fri 8 am - Noon	
Town Administrator	Mark B. Walter		
Executive Administrative Assistant	Jennifer C. LaVoie		
Animal Control:	Marc Volza		860-337-1222
	Mike Olzacki		
Assessor:		Fri 8 am - Noon	860-228-9555
Assessor	Mary Lavallee		
Assistant Assessor	Marcy Littlefield		
Beckish Senior Center:		Mon - Fri 8 am - 3 pm	860-228-0759
Director	Bernadette Derring		
Social Services:		Mon, Tue & Fri 8:30 am - 5 pm	860-228-1008
Community Social Services Coordinator	Katie Wilt		
Building Department:		Mon - Wed 8 am - 4 pm	860-228-0440
Building Official	Jason Nowosad	Thur 8 am - 6 pm	
Zoning Enforcement	Connie Kisluk	Fri 8 am - Noon	
Town Planner	Paula Stahl		
Sanitarian	Glenn Bagdoian		
Interim Inland Wetlands Agent	John Valente		
Administrative Assistant	Terri Lasota		
Board Clerk	Flo Polek		
Fire Marshal/Burning Official	Michael Lester		
Finance Department:		Mon - Thur 8 am - 4:30 pm	860-228-8423
Finance Director	Beverly Ciurylo	Fri 8am - Noon	
Accountant/Payroll Specialist	Lisa Rose		860-228-8423
Accounting Assistant	Jill Swenson		860-228-8423
Fire Department:			
To report a fire			911
Non-emergency calls			860-228-9602
Fire Chief	Stephen Postemsky		
Deputy Fire Chief	Jeff Lewis		
Public Works Department:		Mon - Fri 6:30 am - 3:00 pm	860-228-4270
Director	Beth Lunt		
Facilities Manager	Jason Nowosad		860-228-0110
Facilities Maintainer	Dan Johnson		

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<u>Department</u>		<u>Office Hours</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Recreation Department:		Mon - Wed 8 am - 4 pm Thur 8 am - 7 pm	860-228-8513
Director	Marc Volza Debra Fiske	Fri CLOSED	
Recreation Assistant	Anyka Fegan		
Registrar of Voters:		Varies	860-228-0110
Democrat Registrar	Karen Butzgy		
Republican Registrar	Kate Morrison		
Resident State Trooper:			
	Gregory DeCarli	Mon - Fri 6:30 am – 3 pm	860-228-9846
	Dispatch:		860-465-5400
Tax Collector's Office:		Mon - Wed 8 am - 2 pm	860-228-0230
Tax Collector	Carol W. Price	Thur 8am – 6pm Fri - CLOSED <i>extended hours in January and July</i>	
Town Clerk's Office:		Mon - Wed 8 am - 4 pm	860-228-3284
Town Clerk	Robin M. Kenefick	Thur 8 am - 6 pm	
Assistant Town Clerk	Gail McGrath	Fri 8 am - 12 pm	
Transfer Station:		Wed 8 am - 4 pm	860-228-4270
Attendant	Tristan Kandolin John Ciurylo Brian Smith	Sat 8 am - 4 pm	

*Town
Commissions,
Boards
&
Committees*

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Town Commissions, Boards & Committees
(as of July 1)

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Board of Selectmen:

Meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

First Selectman	Steven M. Everett	R	11/22/21
Deputy Selectman	Robert W. Hellstrom	D	11/22/21
Selectman	Lisa Napolitano	R	11/22/21
Selectman	Judith Szegda Ortiz	D	11/27/23
Selectman	William P. O'Brien	D	11/27/23

Registrars of Voters:

Karen Butzgy	D	01/06/21
Katherine Morrison	R	01/06/21

BUILDING SERVICES

Planning and Zoning Commission:

Meets the 2nd and 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Richard Nassiff, Jr.		11/22/21
Vice Chairman	Vera Englert		11/25/24
Member	Robert Powell, Jr.		11/22/21
Member	Tom Currier		11/27/23
Member	Richard Napolitano		11/27/23
Member	W. Alexander Bothell		11/27/23
Member	John L. Preston, Jr.		11/28/22
Alternate	Justin J. Riendeau		11/22/21
Alternate	VACANT		11/22/21
Alternate	VACANT		11/22/21

Inland Wetlands Commission:

Meets the 1st Monday at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room

Chairman	John Allen		11/27/23
Vice Chairman	Thomas Archambault		11/27/23
Member	Ronald J. Wikholm		11/27/23
Member	Mary Roickle		11/22/21
Member	Claude A. Garritt, Jr.		11/22/21
Member	Ian Dann		11/22/21
Member	VACANT		11/22/21
Alternate	Stephen Harrington		11/22/21
Alternate	VACANT		11/22/21

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Zoning Board of Appeals:

Meets the 4th Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Joseph J. Narkawicz	11/22/21
Vice Chairman	Carole Williamson	11/28/22
Member	Keith D. Peck	11/22/21
Member	William Petrone, Jr.	11/25/24
Member	David S. Holcroft	11/27/23
Alternate	Edward A. DiGiovanni	11/22/21
Alternate	Stanley Rosenstein	11/22/21
Alternate	VACANT	11/22/21

EDUCATION

Horace Porter School:

Superintendent	Maria Geryk
Principal	VACANT
Asst. Principal	Karen Caputo

Board of Education:

Meets the 1st Monday of each month as scheduled 7:30 pm. in the Porter Cafeteria

Chairman	Michael M. Maziarz	11/22/21
Vice Chairman	Christine Sposito	11/27/23
Member	Linette A. Dooley	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21
Member	Joseph Napolitano	11/27/23
Member	Arthur A. Rowbotham	11/27/23
Member	James A. Chakulski, Jr.	11/27/23

OTHER ELECTED COMMISSIONS

Board of Assessment Appeals:

Meets in March and September - 7:00 pm in the Conference Room

Chairman	Linda H. McDonald	11/22/21
Vice Chairman	Stephen M. Postemsky	11/22/21
Member	Michael N. Hamilton	11/27/23

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Financial Planning and Allocation Commission:

Meets the 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Earnest G. Sharpe	11/27/23
Member	Brian Pedersen	11/22/21
Member	Kelley Peck	11/22/21
Member	Jeffrey Viens	11/22/21
Member	Richard Szegda	11/27/23
Member	Judith A. Jordan	11/27/23
Member	Lauren Haberman	11/27/23

SENIOR SERVICES

Commission on Aging:

Meets the 4th Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in the Beckish Senior Center (no meetings July-August)

Chairman	Catherine Rowe	11/22/21
Member	Jill Livingston	11/22/21
Member	Marjorie Golden-Mossberg	11/22/21
Member	Millie Ramsey	11/22/21
Member	Lyn Buonocore	11/22/21
Member	Margaret Ewald	11/22/21
Member	Edith G. Prague	11/22/21

OTHER COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Conservation and Agriculture Commission:

Meets the 1st Thursday (alternating months) at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Ann Dunnack	11/22/21
Member	Christopher Tolsdorf	11/22/21
Member	Christopher McGrath	11/22/21
Member	Thomas McGrath	11/22/21
Member	Anthony Ortiz	11/22/21
Member	Jason Arico	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21

Council on Drug & Alcohol Prevention:

The Council on Drug & Alcohol Prevention had no activity during FY 2021-2022

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Economic Development Commission:

Meets the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Robert Hellstrom	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21

Lake Management Advisory Committee:

Meets the 1st Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in Yeomans Hall

Chairman	Michael Gnazzo	11/22/21
Member	Phyllis Dunn	11/22/21
Member	Henry M. Beck Jr.	11/22/21
Member	Michael Armstrong	11/22/21
Member	Robert Powell	11/22/21
Member	Steve Harrington	11/22/21
Member	James A. Santos	11/22/21
Member	John C. Burrell	11/22/21
Member	David Vanderbilt	11/22/21
Member	Carl Foster	11/22/21
Member	Robert Millerd	11/22/21

Marine Patrol Officers:

Marc Volza (Coordinator)	Anyka Fegan	11/01/21
Jayleen Fegan	Michael Franchi	11/01/21
James Drabeck	Maizey Mabry Smith	11/01/21
Tegan Mabry Smith	Sharon Smith	11/01/21
Alexandra Comstock	William Reilly	11/01/21
David Evans		11/01/21

Open Space Commission:

Meets the 3rd Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Ann Dunnack	11/22/21
Member	Donald Schofield	11/22/21
Member	Walter Tabor	11/22/21
Member	Christopher Tolsdorf	11/22/21
Member	Paul Ramsey	11/22/21
Member	Ronald J. Wikholm	11/22/21
Member	Donald Cianci	11/22/21

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Recreation Commission

Meets the 1st Thursday at 6:00 PM (alternating months) at Recreation Department

Chairman	Jeff Buskey	11/22/21
Member	Kelly Deforest	11/22/21
Member	Anthony Tigeleiro	11/22/21
Member	Cindy Postemsky	11/22/21
Member	Nikki Keldsen	11/27/23
Member	Steve Piro	11/27/23
Member	Heather Pekarovic	11/27/23

Environmental Advisory Committee

Meets the 3rd Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. except in December in Conference Room

Chairman	Bryan Tarbell	11/22/21
Member	Andrea Drabicki	11/22/21
Member	Carol Coley	11/22/21
Member	Carole J. Williamson	11/22/21

Szegda Farm Management Committee

Meets the 1st Thursday at 6:00 p.m. (alternating months) in the Conference Room

Chairman	Thomas McGrath	11/22/21
Member	Leslie Brand	11/22/21
Member	Robert Hellstrom	11/22/21
Member	Jeremy Zurell	11/22/21
Member	David Bull	11/22/21
Member	Nancy (Massey) Schwartz	11/22/21
Member	David Szegda	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21

Safety Committee

Meets Quarterly (1,4,7,10) on 2nd Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room

Chairman	Mark Walter
Member	Greg DeCarli
Member	Jerry James
Member	Michael Lester
Member	Daniel Johnson
Member	Marc Volza
Member	Beth Lunt
Member	VACANT

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Youth Services Committee

Meets the 2nd Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. (alternating months) in the Conference Room

Chairman	William O'Brien	11/22/21
Member	Maureen Allen	11/22/21
Member	Rebecca Allen	11/22/21
Member	Marc Volza	11/22/21
Member	Daniel Leavitt	11/22/21
Member	Denise Morell	11/22/21
Member	Melissa Petrone	11/22/21
Member	Carol Wiggins	11/22/21
Member	Greg DeCarli	11/22/21
Member	VACANT	11/22/21
Member	Susan Kristoff	11/22/21
Member - Youth	Jack Dooley	11/22/21

Charter Revision Commission

Member	Norbert Blain
Member	Mark Desrosiers
Member	Kate Haakonsen
Member	Lisa Napolitano
Member	Rick Nassiff
Member	Judith Ortiz
Member	Paul Ramsey
Member	Arthur Rowbotham

OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS

Emergency		
Management:	Jerry James	11/22/21
Historical Society:	Judy Ortiz, President	
Judge of Probate	Michael Darby	
Town Attorney	Halloran and Sage	11/22/21
Town Historian	Ingrid Wood	11/22/21
Emeritus Historian	Anita Ramm	
Town Meeting		
Moderators:	Millie Ramsey	11/22/21
	Mark Desrosiers	11/22/21
	Mark Vining	11/22/21

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Justices of the Peace:

Jay R. Einhorn	1/06/25
Vera M. Englert	1/06/25
Christina Granese	1/06/25
Deidre McGlynn	1/06/25
Gayle J. Mulligan	1/06/25
Judith S. Ortiz	1/06/25
Kelley G. Peck	1/06/25
Kevin F. Quinn	1/06/25
Paul W. Ramsey	1/06/25
Catherine L. Rowe	1/06/25
Mark A. Vining	1/06/25
Jill B. Zorn	1/06/25

**FIRST SELECTMAN
ANNUAL REPORT
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I am pleased to submit our 2021/2022 Annual Report regarding municipal operations.

In 2021 we were still dealing as a community and as a nation with the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Our staff continued to service our residents both in-person and through our online services. In addition, we provided an easy and efficient way for people to send in donations to assist those in need during the pandemic. Donations were used for food supply, fuel assistance, protective equipment, and other social services. As a result of the pandemic, the Town's social services had to be reconstructed and increased to handle the crisis in a way that residents preferred. Our Senior Center Director, Bernadette Derring and her team focused on food delivery, transportation, and individual personalized calling to track needs and give moral support. Our Community Social Services Coordinator, Katie Wilt, had her hours increased to handle the added uncertainty and new challenges that residents faced.

On June 8, 2021, the Annual Town Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 was approved with no mill rate increase. We continually focused our efforts on providing a balanced and responsible budget while maintaining the quality of life for the citizens of Columbia. During COVID we took the opportunity to make some updates to the Senior Center, Town Hall, Maintenance Facility, Rec Park, and the Town Green Memorial walkway. Some of these projects received funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Further information on these projects are highlighted below.

Once warm weather began residents were able to enjoy Rec Park's pickleball, tennis, basketball courts and the new softball field. The Department of Public Works (DPW) worked on the back parking lot at Rec Park with tree removal, installed the parking lot foundation, and prepped for the final milling and topcoat. DPW also created handicap accessibility from Szegda Farm's parking lot to the garden.

The new pavilion and maintenance garage at Rec Park started project was a combined effort from DPW, Facilities, Inland Wetlands, Recreation Department, and local contractors. The new maintenance garage will provide the DPW crew with much needed storage and space to store and maintain their equipment and the new pavilion includes bathrooms, storage, and a concession room.

Our town campus saw a beautiful addition to the walkways around our Town Green Veterans Memorial that provided improvements for handicap access and reduces slips and falls from the previous stamped concert walkway. The Town Hall received an upgrade to the Adella G. Urban Conference Room that enabled us to hold hybrid virtual meetings, a newly painted interior, and improved signage. The Beckish Senior Center received a new water fountain, ice machine, interior new paint, and an upgrade to the Food Bank. The Maintenance Facility which serves both the school, and the town received some updates.

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The Building and Land Use Department initiated and implemented PermitLink that allows residents to fill out and submit permits online. This tool will also give digital access to the information our employees need to perform their jobs from the field.

We have completed a long project of digitizing our Town Ordinances for the Town Clerks office. This will improve the remote access to our ordinances and update them to be in compliance with Connecticut State Statutes and laws. The conversion to a new website was completed as well.

New dugouts were built and installed and the drainage improvements for the little league field were completed after the 2021 baseball season. The design and installation of a new disc golf course that will wrap around the Rec Park was started and will be complete in 2023.

American Rescue Plan funds were used for communications improvements to upgrade the old phone system to Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Phone System and upgrades to the mobile and portable radios were completed for the DPW, Emergency Management, and Columbia Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD).

A bid went out for a generator at The Beckish Senior Center. This will enable the Senior Center to be utilized for a heating and cooling emergency retreat. Project completion will be in 2023.

Heating and Cooling systems were updated and completed in the Columbia Volunteer Fire Department, Town Hall, and the Murphy House at the town beach to improve air quality and reduce energy expense.

Interior work of The Moor's Indian School included lead paint removal, repair to the plaster ceiling, and the interior was painted. This one room schoolhouse building serves as a small colonial era museum and is on the National Historic Register.

The town received a grant for two speed display/driver feedback signs from the Connecticut Safety Circuit Rider (SCR) program. The new program will assist the Town of Columbia at reducing fatal and serious-injury speed-related crashes.

As you can see, all the projects are either completed or well on their way. These projects are designed to improve the quality of life in Columbia and reflects the hard work from our staff, elected officials, volunteers, and commission and committee members.

Respectfully,

Steven M. Everett, First Selectman

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
ANNUAL REPORT
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The following good financial news is from our Management Discussion and Analysis section of the independent auditor's report. We did not have any material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in our financial statements. As the close of the current fiscal year, the Town of Columbia, CT's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of \$7,377,890, an increase of \$576,577 in comparison with the prior year. This balance is primarily attributable to the under-spending of the budgeted operating and capital expenditures as well as the higher than budgeted revenue received by the town in property tax collection and government services and municipal aid. Of this amount, \$4,532,708 is available in the Town's General Fund for spending at the government's discretion.

At the end of the current fiscal year, assigned and unassigned fund balance for the General Fund was \$5,504,109 or 31% percent of the total budgeted General Fund expenditures. This fund balance represents the Town's reserve for future capital projects, as all assets of the capital projects fund have been obliged to finance current projects. Also, the Town of Columbia received the first tranche of \$795,959 in American Relief Funds to assist in the recovery from the COVID pandemic as well as to fund a variety of government service projects.

The Town has paid off all of its debt. There were three loans for LED lighting at Town Hall, the Senior Center and Horace W. Porter School. The Town's loan were paid off in January 2022. The Columbia Board of Education will pay off the loan for Horace W. Porter by September 2022. The Town does not have any General Obligation Bonds as a Liability in 2021-2022

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

- The Operating Budget of the Town of Columbia's Municipal Government (including Contingency) was underspent by \$285,285. In addition, the Municipal Government ended the year with \$14,491 in year end encumbrances for open expenditures to the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

- The Operating Budget of the Board of Education was spent in accordance with the adopted budget and was under spent by \$91,650. All of the excess funds were returned to the Town's General Fund and no funds were added to the Board of Education's Non-Lapsing Account which currently has a balance of \$300,000. In addition to the funds returned to the Town, there were \$261,154 in encumbrances at year end for the open projects and expenditures for the Horace W. Porter School that applied to the 2021-2022 school year.

- During the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year, \$55,441 was approve and transferred from Contingency to fund various lines in the Town's operating budget: \$2,200 to cover Legal notices for the Town's Charter revision, \$879 for Tax collector equipment, \$9,000 for repairs to the Town Beach Concrete Dock, \$6,000 for Columbia Volunteer Fire

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Department grant writing, \$1,500 for telephone service at the Murphy House, \$2,002 for Elderly Services additional costs for salaries, \$17,300 for Inland Wetland salaries, \$6,200 for Animal Control salaries and costs, \$1,940 for Building & Land Use Permit Link Software costs, \$920 for Marine Patrol boat and dock repairs and \$7,500 to cover separation pay costs.

- In the 2021-2022, the Town approved with a Town Meeting a \$75,000 General Fund Transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund to build a Maintenance Garage at Rec Park.

Respectfully,

Mark B. Walter
Town Administrator

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Town
Agencies*

**ANIMAL CONTROL
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The Town of Columbia Animal Control is responsible for public safety relating to animals, enforcing animal related laws, reuniting lost animals with their owners, quarantining of dogs, and working with the State of Connecticut Animal Control Unit. In addition to being required by law registering your dog is one of the most important steps you can take. When a lost or roaming dog is recovered the quickest way to reunited them with their owner is being able to look up the licensing information. This past year we had 567 hundred dogs registered in town through the Town Clerk's Office. Residents made 112 calls to animal control throughout the year requesting assistance with various situations. These calls can range from a roaming dog, stray cat, animal bite, livestock incidents, or wildlife referrals. We handled 6 bite calls and issued 0 citations over the course of the year.

Respectfully Submitted

Mike Olzacki
Animal Control Officer

**ASSESSOR'S OFFICE
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Mary F. Lavalley, CCMA II
(860) 228-9555
(860) 228-2335 Fax
Email:mlavalley@columbiactorg

Mon., Tues., Wed. - 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Thursday - 8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Friday - 8:00 am to Noon

GRAND LIST OF 2021

<u>REALTY</u>	\$ 494,952,100
<u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>	\$ 27,284,798
<u>MOTOR VEHICLES</u>	\$ 62,677,953
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2021 NET GRAND LIST	\$ 584,914,851
2020 NET GRAND LIST	\$ 501,726,600
INCREASE IN ASSESSED VALUE	\$83,188,251
PERCENTAGE INCREASE	16.58%

The value below is included in the Realty number but is taxed using 10 mills per CGS 12-96 through 12-103
WOODLAND 10,600

Mary F. Lavalley, CCMA II, #1443
Assessor 1/27/2022

BECKISH SENIOR CENTER
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The Beckish Senior Center celebrated its 25th year of operation, established in 1997. The Senior Center is located at 188 Route 66 Columbia, CT 06237. Residents of Columbia, and the surrounding areas, 55 years of age and older are welcome, without a charge, to participate in all programs of interest throughout the year. The Beckish Senior Center is committed to working with the community to provide programs, recreation, and services which encourage active, healthy, happy, and independent lifestyles for seniors in our community.

The Beckish Senior Center of Columbia officially fully reopened from the closure of the Covid Pandemic on September 1, 2021. It is taking several months plus for our residents to come back and partake in the activities and events.

The Beckish Senior Center of Columbia receives an average of 10 calls per day requesting information. Services they inquire about range from assistance with CEAP applications, Energy Assistance, SNAP, Medicare Savings Plans, Eviction Prevention, Social Security Advice, Emergency Food, Medical Appointments, and referrals to services throughout the Connecticut area.

The Beckish Senior Center works in conjunction with Thames Valley Council for Community Action, (TVCCA), for our weekly food services. The Senior Nutrition Program that the TVCCA provides, services all persons sixty (60) years and older. The program provides a daily hot lunch meal at the Beckish Senior Center every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Meals provided are nutritionally balanced and are within the guidelines of a no-added-salt and no-added-sugar diet. The suggested donation range is \$3.00 per meal and \$4.50 per special meal. On average, the Beckish Senior Center hosts 20 seniors for lunch per week. The social setting and nutritional meal make for a wonderful afternoon for everyone involved. Our Site Server, Linda Reynolds, is an Alternate Qualified Food Operator. Linda continues to gain knowledge in all areas of food service and nutrition through TVCCA's educational pamphlets and meeting. On March 13, 2020, we closed the senior nutrition program due to the COVID-19 virus. The program was reopened in July of 2021.

Meals-on-Wheels is available on a referral basis in the Town of Columbia to homebound elderly aged 60 years or more and disabled persons that require home delivered meals due to medical necessity or social isolation. Meals are delivered to the home once a week as a frozen drop. CCCI participants receive meals Tuesday through Friday due to a contract. The nutritious meals are delivered by our volunteers, frozen to the home and provide 1/3 of the recommended dietary needs for seniors. Frozen meals are provided for weekends as well.

Health and Well Being:

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The Beckish Senior Center will continue to host a flu clinic for our seniors on a yearly basis. TVCCA routinely visits to give health talks on nutrition and healthy living. Dr. Morgan, a Podiatrist, visits every 10 weeks for foot care. Dr. Morgan will also make house visits. Windham Hospital host talks on specific topics such as Fall Prevention, Opioid abuse, Dementia and Diabetes. A few more health talks and seminars were held, such as, Medicare information, Hearing Loss Prevention, Memory Loss Programs, Diabetes control, Nutritional Dietary Programs, Reflexology, Massage and much more. We offer Elderly Safety Programs that specialize in theft, prescription awareness, social security safety as well as banking tips. Twice each year, we host an AARP Smart Driving Course which is always a success. AARP also gives seminars on scams and fraud alerts that are affecting seniors.

Exercise:

At the Beckish Senior Center we promote healthy living lifestyles; one of which is exercise. We offer, virtual yoga, virtual chair yoga, line dancing, Tai Chi, strength and balance class, and game days. Exercise improves your strength, flexibility, and posture, which in turn will help with balance, coordination, and reducing the risk of falls. Strength training also helps alleviate the symptoms of chronic conditions such as arthritis. Each fitness program offered here helps brain function and over-all health of your body. Our fitness programs have decreased in size since the start of the pandemic. We welcome everyone to join our exercise programs, residents and non-residents are encouraged to join.

Activities:

The Beckish Senior Center offers numerous activities for our seniors: Annual Art Shows and monthly Artist Spotlight, Art Classes, Book Discussion Group, Writing Group, Bridge, Computer classes, Reflexology and Massage, Haircuts, CSO Ice Cream Social, Men's and Ladies Group, Ladies & Men's Pool League, Movie Day, New Year's Dinner and Dance, Appreciation Dinner, Special Meals, Holiday Party, Dance and Dinner, Quilting Classes, Halloween Dance & Dinner, Line Dancing, Setback Night, Poker Night, Bridge, Duplicate Bridge, Canasta & Pinochle, Rose Marrotte Art Show, Holiday luncheons, Grandparents Billiards, Billiards, Walking Group, three times a week TVCCA sponsored meals, Harvest to Holly Fair, Spring Tag Sale, CONA events, Woodcarving classes and much more...

Trips:

All trips were suspended during the pandemic with one exception. The seniors traveled to Rhode Island to the Newport Playhouse to see A Christmas Carol held on December 9, 2021. The Beckish Senior Center will be participating in future trips. We are currently

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partnering with several local senior centers on a share a bus program. This program will allow seniors to socialize with other members of the surrounding area as well as allow for increased participation on numerous trips.

Transportation Services

The Town of Columbia Transportation Program has a 14-passenger van equip with 2 wheelchairs and a wheelchair lift. We have 2 part time van drivers, one per diem back up driver, and 2 dispatchers. The town now transports seniors aged 60 and over and disabled adults 18 years of age and older to the Beckish Senior Center for meals and activities, medical, shopping and wellness within the State of Connecticut.

Transportation Summary

7/1/21 – 6/30/22 – This past fiscal year we have had 1538 senior riders and 47 disabled adults.

Donations for Round Trips

Free for transportation to meals/activities at the Senior Center.

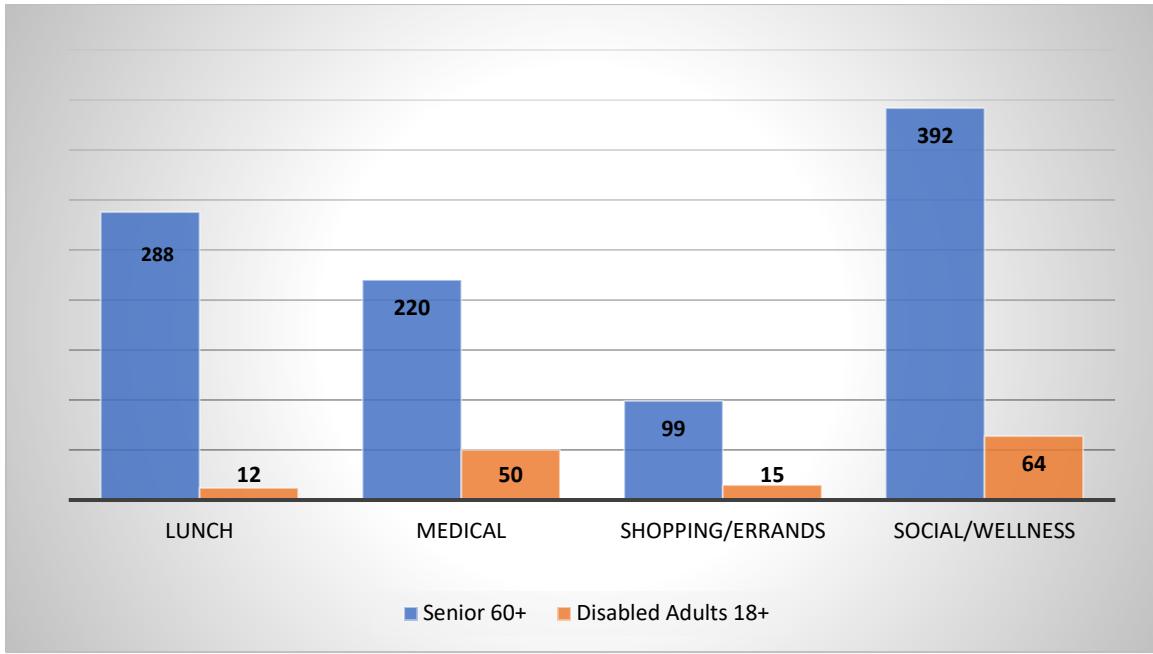
\$2.00 within the towns of Andover, Bolton, Coventry, Hebron, Lebanon, Mansfield, Marlborough, Willimantic and Windham.

\$5.00 within the towns of Colchester, Glastonbury, Manchester, Norwich, Storrs, Vernon, Lisbon, Northeast Area.

\$10.00 for UConn Medical Center, Enfield, Farmington, Hartford Hospitals and VA Hospital Newington, Avon, Bloomfield, East Hartford, Plainfield, Putnam, Tolland, Torrington, Waterford, West Hartford, Wethersfield.

\$3.00 group outings sponsored by the Beckish Senior Center and CSO.

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Beckish Senior Center Staff

Senior Center & Transportation Hours	Monday thru Friday, 8am to 3pm
Director of Senior Services and Transportation, Title VI Coordinator & Municipal Agent for the Elderly	Bernadette Derring
Office Phone	860-228-0759
Office Fax	860-228-1952
Office Email	beckish@columbiact.org
Dispatcher/Program Assistant	Flo Polek
Dispatcher	Lisa McDonald
Site Server	Linda Reynolds
Van Driver	Rose Kurcinik
Van Driver	Pat Morris
Per Diem, Back Up Van Driver	Open
Meals-on-Wheels Driver	Volunteers
Meals-on-Wheels Driver back-up	Mark Smith, Marcia Neese Shirley King, Becky Petrowski -Volunteers

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The Beckish Senior Center has a nonprofit organization within the Senior Center. This group is called the Columbia Senior's Organization. The CSO consists of an executive board as well as all of its members and associate members. To date the CSO has 348 members, 31 associate members and 9 executive board members. This Organization works in conjunction with the Beckish Senior Center Staff, Town of Columbia Board of Selectman and Town Administrator.

Columbia Seniors Organization, Inc.

President - Sheran Smith
Vice-President – Pat Lanza
Secretary – John Allen
Treasurer – Margaret Schatz
Member at Large – Yvon Desautels
Membership — Vacant
Gifts/Memorial — Sheran Smith
Publicity — Vacant
Program Committee – Maureen Allen

In closing, The Beckish Senior Center will continue to be the place where seniors can come and seek out social services, recreational programs, social events, and numerous educational programs in a safe and healthy environment. This year, like every year, it is a pleasure to work with everyone and share in all the wonderful times held here at the Beckish Senior Center. To access our current programs and services, please visit our town website at www.columbiact.org. You can always find our newsletter “The GEM” at any local store in Hebron, Columbia, Willimantic, as well as the Saxton B. Little Free Library, and Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Derring

Bernadette Derring
Director Senior Services & Transportation
Town of Columbia
Title VI Coordinator
Municipal Agent for the Elderly

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS
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In accordance with Connecticut General Statute 9-199(c), the Board of Assessment Appeals must meet at least once during the months of March and September (for motor vehicle appeals only) to hear and decide upon tax assessment appeal applications.

In fiscal year 2021-2022, the Board of Assessment Appeals held seven meetings, hearing 19 real estate appeals and four motor vehicle appeals. After reviewing documentation, the board reduced assessments for three motor vehicle appeals and 11 real estate appeals. Eight real estate appeals were denied. A decision was also made to allow one exemption for a motor vehicle.

Additional information and applications to appeal motor vehicle, real estate or personal property assessments can be found on the Town's website, www.columbiact.org.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Hamilton, Chairman

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In addition to the enthusiasm that comes every August for both teachers and students, the 2021-22 school year began with excitement to return to classrooms with some comfort knowing how to navigate the pandemic and its impact on education. Our collective accomplishments in providing an excellent education experience for each and every learner at all grade levels yielded a sense of pride for all stakeholders in the Columbia School District.

The school year started with us having more understanding and experience in dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. Our goal for the 2021-2022 school year was for all students to attend in-person learning for the entire year. It has been clearly illustrated that the social, emotional, and academic needs of students are best met through in-person instruction. Layered mitigation strategies were employed to support the health and safety of our students and staff. We entered the school year following the state of Connecticut's guidance for public schools and COVID-19, continuing with mask mandates, and all staff were either vaccinated, had a medical or exemption, or were submitting to weekly COVID-19 testing.

Following an extensive search for our new principal in the spring of 2021, we happily added Principal Kara Levenduski who began her first full year leading Horace W. Porter School. We also welcomed four new classroom teachers, a STEM teacher, and a reading coach during the 2021-22 school year. Additionally, during the superintendent's absence, Barbara Wilson stepped in as Acting Superintendent for several months, while Holly Maiorano filled in as Acting Director of Student Services.

Horace W. Porter School continued implementation of curricula in the areas of reading/writing, mathematics, as well as social/emotional learning. Special education teachers and staff began working with and training for the new, state-wide mandate of a special education data system, CT-SEDS.

We celebrated the achievements of our Teacher of the Year, Ms. Helen Martin and our Paraprofessional of the Year, Ms. Shannon Cruz. Thomas Doyle, Jeremiah O'Leary, Bonnie Quinn and Donald Spooner retired from the district in the 2021-2022 school year. We thank them for their dedication to the students of Columbia and wish them the very best.

The town of Columbia's Board of Education budget supported approximately 680 students who attended Horace W. Porter School, Bolton High School, E. O. Smith High School (Region 19), Windham Technical High School, and several magnet schools. The administration, faculty and staff are grateful for the support shown by the Columbia community to the Columbia School District. We encourage you to visit our District and Porter School website at: www.hwporter.org.

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There you will find information on our policies, programs, services, and events. To access data collection information shared by the CT Department of Education you can access EdSight at this link: https://public-edsight.ct.gov/?language=en_US

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TITLE I IMPROVING BASIC PROGRAMS - FUNDS 25 & 27			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
State Grant Received	26,177.00		
Deferred Revenue			
Total Receipts			26,177.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Salaries - Paraprofessionals	26,177.00		
Professional Services			
Total Disbursements			26,177.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

TITLE II, PART A - FUNDS 23 & 32			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
State Grant Received	8,312.00		
Deferred Revenue			
Total Receipts			8,312.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Professional Services	8,312.00		
Supplies			
Total Disbursements			8,312.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

TITLE III, PART A - FUND 22			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
State Grant Received	578.00		
State Grant Received	650.00		
Total Receipts			1,228.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Professional Services	1,228.00		
Supplies			
Total Disbursements			1,228.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

TITLE IV- FUND 37			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
State Grant Received	10,000.00		
Deferred Revenue			
Total Receipts			10,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Professional Services	10,000.00		
Instructional Supplies			
Payment of Prior Year Expenses			
Total Disbursements			10,000.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

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IDEA 611 - FUNDS 33 & 40		
BALANCE CARRIED OVER		-
RECEIPTS		
State Grant Received	115,526.00	
Deferred Revenue		
Total Receipts		115,526.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Salaries - Teachers	115,526.00	
Salaries - Paraprofessionals		
Internal Service		
Instructional Supplies		
Payment of Prior Year Expenditures		
Total Disbursements		115,526.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22		-

IDEA 619 - FUNDS 36 & 38		
BALANCE CARRIED OVER		-
RECEIPTS		
State Grant Received	5,080.00	
Total Receipts		5,080.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Salaries - Paraprofessionals	5,080.00	
Instructional Supplies		
Total Disbursements		5,080.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22		-

SPECIAL EDUCATION-COVID STIPENDS - FUND 34		
BALANCE CARRIED OVER		-
RECEIPTS		
State Grant Received	50,000.00	
Total Receipts		50,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Special Education Consultant	20,000.00	
Special Education Consultant	30,000.00	
Total Disbursements		50,000.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22		-

ADULT EDUCATION-FUND 28		
BALANCE CARRIED OVER		-
RECEIPTS		
State Grant Received	2,352.00	
Total Receipts		2,352.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Adult Education Tuition	2,352.00	
Total Disbursements		2,352.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22		-

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EDUCATION STABILIZATION (ESSER) GRANT-FUND 44			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
ESSER II State Grant Received	87,196.00		
ESSER II State Set Aside Grant	14,736.00		
Total Receipts			101,932.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Salaries	101,932.00		
Supplies	-		
Total Disbursements			101,932.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU-FUND 45 & 46			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
YSB State Grant Received	14,186.00		
YSB Enhancement State Grant Received	5,737.00		
Total Receipts			19,923.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Professional Services - AHM	19,923.00		
Total Disbursements			19,923.00
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

REAP GRANT-FUNDS 47, 48 & 49			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			-
RECEIPTS			
Federal Grant Received	23,601.11		
Deferred Revenue			
Total Receipts			23,601.11
DISBURSEMENTS			
Computer Equipment	23,601.11		
Total Disbursements			23,601.11
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			-

FACILITY USAGE & MISCELLANEOUS - FUND 55			
BALANCE CARRIED OVER			271.11
RECEIPTS			
Donations	-		
Facility Usage			
Total Receipts			-
DISBURSEMENTS			
Supplies	-		
Total Disbursements			-
FUND BALANCE 06/30/22			271.11

Total Project 30-1 as of 06/30/22			271.11
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2022 COLUMBIA GRADUATES

HORACE W. PORTER SCHOOL

Joseph Baker	Torin DelMastro	Abigail Magaldi	Macy Ripoll
Cameron Belanger	Gavin Dunne	McKaela Magaldi	Maya Roldan
Kyle Bowen	Michael Franco	Braden Marsh	Lilyan Scolaro
Ian Bowles	Adriana Gauthier	Camden Mazerolle	Aden Shahan
Rachel Buskey	Andrew Greb	Carmine Morizio	Vikram Sharma
Avery Callahan	Talan Hancox-Mellady	Jaymeson Morrison	Savannah Shea
Lilliya Cichon	Andrew Hornung	Ava Natale	Illiana Smith
Anthony Colon Ortiz	Gabriella James	Mariangelly Pacheco Cruz	Kelly Szegda
Luca Cordone	Robert Kovach	Giovanni Rafala	Corryn Tarbell
Matthew Cranick	Logan Lemieux	Caitlin Reagan	Gwendolyn Tew
Gavin DeForest	Addison Lussen	Isaac Riendeau	Anne Tigeleiro
			Alexander Volpe
			Emerson Whalen

BOLTON HIGH

Cal Bulley	Patrick Frommer	Aimee Pelletier
Justin Decker	Jace Kramer	Matthew Sehl
Jaden Desso	Ron LaGasse	Matthew Shaw
Lilly Dudek	Nicole Lange	Elijah Youngblood
Alexander Frommer	Israel Miranda	

EO SMITH HIGH SCHOOL

Ava Baker	Katherine Griffin	Sage Magowan	Katherine Simmons
Madison Bonenfant	Nicholas Haddad	Myra Morgan	Andon St. Laurent
Cayden Boukus	Nicholas Hollister	Jordan Narotsky	Jake Stavens
Sabrina Calande	Justin Hornung	Bryn Pedersen	Jayden Stygar
Erin Dwyer	Nikolas Ingenito	Timothy Plourde	Madison-Claire Turner
Peter Elumogo	Kyle Irrig	Hayden Richardson	Olivia Verboven
Gianna Federico-Kelly	Abigail Levine	Jack Riquier	Natalie Villanueva
Anna Fiore	Elizabeth Levine	Jade Rodriguez-Falcon	
Mara Gamache	Ashley Lewis	Alexander Semenza	
Austin Garrison	Ethan Luce	Camden Shea	

WINDHAM TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

Duncan	Rodriguea-Ortiz
Daniel	Toce

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July 2021 - June 2022

From the BUILDING OFFICIAL

The primary function of the Building Department is to ensure the health, safety and general welfare of the public by enforcing the Connecticut State Building Code. This is accomplished through:

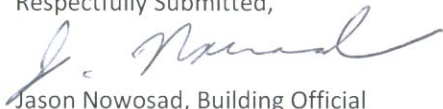
- Performing plan reviews
- Issuing permits and conducting inspections to ensure compliance with the Connecticut State Building Code and local ordinances
- Issuing necessary orders and notices to remove illegal or unsafe conditions.
- Requiring the necessary safeguards during construction and demolition of structures.
- Interpreting and providing guidance regarding all applicable codes to Architects, Engineers, contractors, developers and other interested parties.
- Reviewing applications with the Town Planner, Town Engineer, Fire Marshal, Health District, along with various other local, state, and federal agencies as required.

A permit is required whenever any owner or authorized agent intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical, or plumbing system.

As your building official I do certify that the information contained below is an accurate survey based upon residential and commercial building applications. From July 2021 to June 2022 the permit fees collected amounted to \$90,347.66, which is a decrease of \$29,569.36 from last year.

	Fiscal Year 2020/2021	Fiscal Year 2021/2022
RESIDENTIAL		
Single Family Homes	19	6
Additions/Accessory Structures	37	45
Swimming Pools	11	2
Renovations	25	11
Roofing/Siding/Windows	72	99
Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing	248	190
Stoves/Chimneys	11	10
Fuel Storage	68	39
Solar Panels	18	20
Driveway Aprons	23	16
Demolitions	7	7
General Building	3	4
Generators	16	24
Home Business/Misc Zoning/Tents	9	14
Crumbling Foundations	0	1
COMMERCIAL	15	20
TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	584	508

Respectfully Submitted,



Jason Nowosad, Building Official
Terri Lasota, Administrative Assistant

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landuse@columbiact.org

COLUMBIA CONSERVATION AND AGRICULTURE COMMISSION
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The Conservation and Agriculture Commission is charged with the conservation of the Town's natural and historic resources and advises the Board of Selectmen with respect to the importance and promotion of agriculture in the Town.

When functioning as a Conservation Commission, we operate in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Section 7-13a with respect to the development and conservation of natural resources, including water resources, within the Town. We gather current information on these resources and share it with Town officials, Land Use Commissions, and the general public.

The Conservation and Agriculture Commission conducts educational and recreational activities to familiarize residents with our resources and how they may be protected. Members of the Commission advocate for Natural Resource Goals as identified in Columbia's Plan of Conservation and Development. Members also help to maintain the extensive system of hiking trails in Columbia. The Commission also disseminates information from the Department of Agriculture to Town farmers.

Members attend Workshops sponsored by the Department of Agriculture, UConn Extension Services, and Connecticut Association of Conservation Commissions and Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commissions (CACCIWWC). Members write articles in Columbia Views to inform the Townspeople of important topics in Conservation and Agriculture.

The Conservation and Agriculture Commission is currently focusing on four goals: (1) Maintenance of the Town Hiking Trails and promoting Outdoor Recreation (2) Collaborate with other Town Committees and Commissions to protect the water quality of Columbia Lake and Mono Pond; (3) Review PZC and IWWC applications for conservation issues; and (4) Monitor the Town's Conservation Easements and Open Space.

In addition, The Columbia Conservation and Agriculture Commission collaborates with the Szegda Farm Management Committee, the Columbia Recreation Department, and the Open Space Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Dunnack, Chairman ; Christopher Tolsdorf, Tom McGrath, Jason Arico, Susan Mitchell, Brandon MacClean

**COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES
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The Community Social Services Department provides community based social services to identified groups, individuals, and families to protect and improve the social well-being and functioning of families and individuals with self-sufficiency, quality of life, right of self-determination and safety as guiding values. The department works with federal, state, and local organizations to aid those residents in need. In addition, the department manages grant funding for prevention initiatives and donated funds for fuel and other emergency needs.

Services are provided in the office, at a residence's home, by telephone, and/or email. Information is shared monthly in the Town Newsletter and through the Senior Newsletter.

The Community Social Services Department provides various services such as:

- -Referrals and assistance with SNAP
- -Food assistance and resources
- -Application assistance with the state Energy Assistance Program
- -Emergency fuel assistance
- -Referrals to area resources such as Catholic Charities, WAIM, Operation Fuel, UniteCT, AARP tax prep, Senior Resources, legal services
- -Referrals to area medical/counseling such as United Services, Colchester Behavioral Health Center
- -Referrals/advocacy for medical and health needs
- -Referrals to CT Elder Protective Services
- -Referrals to transportation services
- -Referrals/coordination support with local church group for holiday programs for families and seniors, back to school supplies for children
- -Local Prevention Coordinator Grant Manager, design prevention programs, provide outreach to potential partners who could benefit from prevention programming
- -Receive referrals from the school, local church group, senior center, fire department, home health care agencies, neighbors, family members

Some common information topics where assessment and referrals are given are:

- -Housing options
- -Financial assistance
- -Energy assistance
- -Transportation
- -Medical
- -Aging needs
- -Socialization
- -Home health care
- -Mental Health
- -Nursing home transition
- -Counseling/therapy
- -Depression
- -Family member support
- -Property Tax Relief

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As needed, follow-up is done through short-term case management. In some instances, partnerships with the local fire department, family members, neighbors, health department, hospital/nursing home social workers, and other agencies, departments, or community members are utilized to support resident's needs, goal planning, and well-being.

The Columbia Social Services Department is part of various area coalitions and professional organizations such as:

- -The Hunger Action Team, a regional coalition aimed at developing local solutions to hunger needs
- -CT Local Administrators of Social Services, a professional network of municipal social workers that collaborate to identify common needs and alternative solutions at the local social service level
- -SERAC (Supporting and Engaging Resources for Action and Change), the Regional Behavioral Health Action Organization for the town of Columbia, which aims to reduce substance abuse and mental-health related issues in the community

Grant Application and Management:

A grant from SERAC allowed for the Community Services Department to provide vaping prevention and mental health awareness to the community. This included the design and implementation of a vaping prevention billboard, educational and promotional materials.

Wellness Program for Seniors

Started in June through SERAC funds, a monthly series of "The More You Know" started at the Senior Center. It has become a free monthly program to educate, promote wellness and connections, and coping strategies within the senior community.

Holiday Program Referrals

In Collaboration with First Congregational Church, referrals of seniors and families in need are made for Holiday Programs such as the Thanksgiving Baskets, Winter Giving Program, Easter Baskets and Back to School Supplies.

Respectfully Submitted by Katie Wilt, Community Social Services Coordinator

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COLUMBIA COMMISSION ON AGING
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Commission Members: Lyn Buonocore, Marjorie Golden-Mossberg, Maggie Ewald, Jill Livingston, Joanne Prague Doyle, Millie Ramsey, Catherine Rowe

This has been another difficult year for getting anything new accomplished. The Commission has been supportive of the efforts of Bernadette Derring to keep the Senior Center responsive of needs both with transportation and food. We have also continued to pursue getting a generator for the Beckish Senior Center and that has finally come to fruition through the use of Government money from the pandemic relief fund with the support of the Selectmen. Sadly, we have been unable to go forward with finding any suitable land for building senior housing at this point which continues to be our greatest need for our senior community.

We have changed our meeting schedule to every other month until we have procured land for senior housing, and then will resume our monthly meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Rowe, Chairperson

**EASTERN HIGHLANDS HEALTH DISTRICT
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The Eastern Highlands Health District has served its communities faithfully since 1997. The Health District is committed to enhancing the quality of life in its communities through the prevention of illness, promotions of wellness, and protection of our human environment. The pursuit of this mission is realized by assuring that other community agencies provide certain public health services within the region, and by providing specific public health services directly. The services directly provided include a communicable disease control program, public health education, community assessment and public health planning, emergency preparedness and a comprehensive environmental health program. The main components of the environmental health program include on-site subsurface sewage disposal permitting, complaint investigation program, food establishment licensing and inspection, and environmental monitoring program.

Accomplishments for FY 2021-2022

- *The EHHD* administered over **2400** COVID-19 vaccinations during more than **130** clinics district-wide. We provided contact tracing or support for over **7000** cases of COVID-19. This includes over **1,450** school-associated cases. The EHHD issued weekly surveillance reports to community partners and the general public providing local COVID-19 surveillance data and news. We supported and partnered with 12 school districts to establish and implement risk mitigation measures. We supported local businesses and town governments with safe workplace guidance for essential workers and town recreation department consultation support for youth sports programs and summer camps. Finally, we provided pandemic-related education and information to the general public on multiple informational platforms.
- The Eastern Highlands Health District Board of Directors at their January 20, 2022 regular meeting adopted an operating budget of \$962,197 for FY 22/23.
- Subsequent to a public hearing the Board of Directors adopted Section 5 of the EHHD Sanitary code that establishes an annual permitting and inspection program for Hairdressers, Barbers, and other cosmetology establishments.
- EHHD continues to work cooperatively with DEEP on behalf of Tolland & Coventry providing information and support regarding an environmental investigation into sodium chloride contamination in ground water in private wells.
- Successfully launched an automatic online annual license renewal system of food service establishments.
- Communicable disease control activities for diseases other than COVID-19 included review and follow up (as needed) of 712 case reports; and, conducted 6 disease outbreak or individual case investigations.
- Main indicators for environmental health activity in Columbia include: 100 site inspections for septic systems; 46 septic permits issued; 12 well permits issued; 0 complaints investigated; 35 environmental samples taken for lab analysis; 34 food establishment inspections and other health inspections; 32 public health reviews; and, 97 test pits and perc

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tests.

Plans for FY 2022-2023

- Expand the functionality of our online-application platform to support code enforcement/complaint investigations, and cosmetology inspections.
- Implement the new cosmetology permitting and inspection program.
- Execute and participate in state-wide Memorandum of Agreement establishing license reciprocity for itinerant food vendors.
- Working with CT DPH, assure adherence with expanded childhood lead protection regulations.
- Address the individual public health needs of member towns as they arise with available capacity.
- Sustain local public health response to COVID-19 including but not limited to the following activities: risk communication and health education, testing, disease surveillance, and vaccination.

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022**

The Finance Department is responsible for the accounting and maintaining of the financial records for the Town of Columbia and the Columbia Board of Education. The department has procedures in place to ensure that the financial services being provided are functioning to meet the needs of both the Town of Columbia and the Columbia Board of Education as well as follow the town charter and state statutes. The department assists the Town Administrator and the Superintendent of Schools in preparing annual budgets. The department monitors expenditures and alerts the Town Administrator and Superintendent of possible line-item deficits during the fiscal year. The Finance Director acts as the Town's liaison with the independent auditors during the annual Town audit and to ensure the financial statements are filed with the State in a timely fashion. The department strives to apply generally accepted accounting principles and best practices to ensure expenditures are appropriate and paid in a timely manner and that revenues are recorded in a proper and timely manner. The department also strives to ensure that payroll is processed accurately and timely for both the Town of Columbia and the Columbia Board of Education staff.

The department is continuing its work with the state financial reporting to be in compliance with the State of Connecticut Office and Policy Management as well as the State of Connecticut Department of Education. A continuing accomplishment was another year with no audit findings with the Town Audit as well as with the State of Connecticut Department of Education Electronic Financial System (EFS) Audit for the Columbia Board of Education. The department was also involved with the tracking and submission of COVID costs with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management (OPM) as well as with the State of Connecticut Department of Education.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Beverly Ciurylo, Finance Director and Town Treasurer
Lisa Rose, Accountant and Payroll Specialist
Jill Swenson, Accounting Assistant

**FIRE MARSHAL
ANNUAL REPORT
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2021-2022**

The Columbia Fire Marshal's Office has completed all requested inspections, fire investigations, plan reviews, and complaints for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The Annual Fire Prevention and Poster Contest Program took place at the Horace W. Porter School during Fire Prevention Week October 3 thru October 9, 2021. Audrey Tew was the 5th grade winner and Alexa Hauschild was the 4th grade winner. Both were selected as Tolland County finalist. Congratulations to Audrey and Alexa!

ACTIVITIES

Building Fires: 1
Brush Fires: 3
Rubbish Fires: 3
Vehicle Fires: 2
Fire Other: 27
Fire or CO Alarms: 10
Burn Permits: 37
Inspections: 27
Complaints: 7
Blasting Permits: 1
Burn Brush at Transfer Station: 2

Mileage: 764

It is essential to have properly working smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors for both your home and/or office. Please remember to replace the batteries every 6 months and test all your alarms monthly to make sure they are in proper working order. The life expectancy for these devices is 7 to 10 years. If the manufacture date on any of your alarms is beyond that, replace the entire device, as the sensitivity of the alarm declines over time. Also, practice emergency home escape drills, and have a meeting place outside of the home.

If you have any fire safety questions, please contact the Fire Marshal's Office in the Columbia Land Use Department at 860-228-0440

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Lester
Fire Marshal

Steve Postemsky
Deputy Fire Marshal

INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022

TO: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Members of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission (IWWC) are charged by the Connecticut General Statutes, Section 22a-45 to regulate activities in or near wetlands and/or watercourses in the Town of Columbia. The Commission discharges this obligation by provisions set forth in the Town of Columbia Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations. These regulations require all landowners and their agents who propose any activity in or within 100 feet of wetlands or within 200 feet of an area of special concern to first obtain a permit from the IWWC or it's agent before any work is undertaken. These activities include, but are not limited to, cutting of trees, removal, or deposition of material and/or soil, disturbing of the natural drainage in the area, erection of buildings, etc.

Listed below is a summary of the Commission's activities for Fiscal year 2021-2022:

Applications received	38
Permits issued	32
Administrative Approvals	18
Declaratory rulings:	3

Please call the Building & Land Use Department with any questions regarding wetlands.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua Stern (Board Clerk)

Isabelle Kisluk (Wetlands Agent)
John Allen, Chairman
Ronald Wikholm, Secretary
Mary Roickle
David Holcroft (from 12/7/2021)
Steven Harrington (Alternate)

Thomas Archambault, Vice Chairman
Claude Garritt
Ian Dann
Jon Dilworth (Alternate; from 12/7/2021)

LAKE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022

The Lake Management Advisory Committee (LMAC) is an all-volunteer group of 12 Town of Columbia residents who serve at the pleasure of the Board of Selectman of the Town of Columbia. They are tasked with advising the Board of Selectmen on issues that affect the use and quality of Columbia Lake.

LMAC – Mission is to have several Sub-Committees for reporting purposes to assist residents with the guidelines on Docks, Rafts, Moorings and Seawalls (lake structures). Any work on Columbia Lake to existing or new docks, rafts, moorings, and seawalls requires an application to be submitted to LMAC and the Sub-Committee for review and recommendation for approval to the Board of Selectmen. Any work performed on existing or proposed lake structures must be completed between October 15 and March 15 in even numbered years and between November 1 and March 15 in odd numbered years.

In the last year, the LMAC Sub-Committee reviewed multiple applications for the repair of existing seawalls and docks. There were also applications submitted for the replacement of seawalls, as well as applications for new docks and moorings.

Additional LMAC responsibilities are water quality monitoring, Dam (gate level) operation monitoring and water level monitoring. Columbia Lake is totally dependent on precipitation, especially in late winter and early spring to ensure a full lake during the boating season. The lake is initially lowered to minus six feet (-6') and is adjusted to minus (-5'6"), and minus five feet (-5'0) throughout the winter. On or about March 1st the Lake is then allowed to rise to minus four feet (-4') or three feet six inches (-3'6") if ice is out and based on weather conditions. Varying the lake level is critical since we must rely on precipitation to ensure a full lake by Memorial Day.

LMAC also monitors fishing conditions, lake access and safety, Columbia Lake Watershed Management Plan, Columbia Lake Dam Emergency Plan and Storm Water Culverts. Members work closely with Town Management and our Limnologist. The purpose is to take samples to ensure that there are no detrimental, invasive species or conditions that would affect the water quality or use of the Lake.

The Columbia Marine Patrol is on duty from the end of May to September. They performed services to Columbia residents that included safety and registration inspections of vessels, educational & safety instruction to boaters for their protection while boating. They additionally inspect for aquatic invasive species at the boat launch gate, provide educational information regarding the dangers of aquatic invasive species and how to prevent the transfer of invasive species. Many of our sister lakes have multiple invasive species and Columbia, through astringent management protocols is attempting to deter this threat.

**LAKE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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There were four areas outlined that were major LMAC initiatives to reduce the potential threats of cyanobacteria and invasive species.

1. Cyanobacteria Clouds and Actions to Minimize Reoccurrence

Although Columbia Lake's water quality remains in excellent condition, in the past 5 to 6 years cyanobacteria clouds have formed on sections of the lake. There is no pattern of when or where these patches occurred. Per our lake consultant, the patches are likely a result of benthic cyanobacteria, that is cyanobacteria organisms living on the lake floor that migrate to the lake surface. Cyanobacteria can pose a threat and is a legitimate concern to our lake.

To minimize cyanobacteria reoccurrence possible actions being considered and/or being researched include:

How much phosphorous Columbia Lake can handle annually and to quantify the sources of phosphorous, i.e., direct rainfall, groundwater, tributaries, stormwater runoff, internal cycling, wildlife, in order to prioritize and target actions on the most significant sources that can be remedied most economically.

Assess and develop strategic plans to manage stormwater drainage into the lake.

Encourage Individual Lake Owners to:

- a. Reduce fertilizer/pesticide usage.
- b. Leave grass clippings on lawn which puts nutrients back in the soil naturally.
- c. Properly dispose of pet waste
- d. Maintain, pump out and insect septic systems.
- e. Don't wash cars in driveway, check cars and machinery for leaks and spills.
- f. Reduce lawn area – create a filter strip by not mowing to lake wall.
- g. Create rain gardens; install rain barrels that filter and clean dirty runoff.

In dam repair request for proposal consider moving the dam gate back to the bottom of the lake to remove deoxygenated water containing cyanobacteria.

Revisit the siphon pipe proposal tabled in 2020 to place a pipe in a deeper section of the lake near the dam to remove deoxygenated water at the lake bottom containing cyanobacteria vs taking lake surface water.

2. Should Town of Columbia Ordinance for Watercraft Horsepower be Changed?

SECTION 1- REGULATION OF MOTORBOATS ON COLUMBIA LAKE

(C) No person shall operate on the waters of Columbia Lake, a boat with an outboard engine whose horsepower exceeds 80, or a boat with an inboard engine whose horsepower exceeds 150.

**LAKE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Based on the research reviewed and discussions at the meeting a motion was unanimously approved to maintain the current Town Ordinance Horsepower limits at 150 HP for inboards and 80 HP for outboards.

Past LMAC committees supported the current HP Ordinance as reasonable for the size of Columbia Lake as they allow for safe recreational uses and protect its ecosystem. Secondly, the current HP - for the size of the lake - reduces the risks of high speeds. Bigger engines with higher HP can operate at speeds approaching 50 MPH or more posing increased safety risks on the size of a water body like Columbia Lake.

The risk of higher churning and mixing of lake bottom sediment and nutrients increases the potential for algae patches/blooms. Already Columbia Lake has been experiencing algae clouds for the past 6 years including cyanobacteria algae clouds. The current HP better manages the environmental health of the ecosystem related to engine power mixing and churning the lake bottom as well as shoreline erosion.

3. Marine Patrol Upgrades

Discussions were held regarding upgrades to the responsibilities of Marine Patrol. The Town Administrator, Recreation Director and LMAC will work together to develop Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Marine Patrol and their personnel.

4. Limnological Consultations for Columbia Lake

LMAC and the Town of Columbia in reviewing current consultation services determined it was time to consider competitive bids for services rendered. A Request for Proposal (RFP) for more in-depth services was developed and sent out to prospective Vendors. A Vendor will be selected after receipt of the RFP's and final review.

Lake Management members will continue to serve the Town of Columbia to help the Board of Selectman of the Town to make informed, smart decisions that will help keep Columbia Lake a valued resource for the Town and its residents.

The Lake Management Advisory Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the Month at **7:00 p.m.** at Yeoman's Hall. Public attendance, comments or concerns are always welcomed.

Lake Management Advisory Committee Members

Michael Gnazzo – Chairman

Phyllis Dunn – Secretary

Henry Beck, Jr

Noreen Farrington

Steve Harrington

Robert Millerd

Robert Powell

Mary Roickle

James Santos

Michael Scalise

David Vanderbilt

**MARINE PATROL
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022**

Marine Patrol had a busy year this summer, issuing close to 200 stickers. In addition, over 550 non-motorized vessels (kayaks, canoes, row boats, paddle boards) were checked for invasive species. Marine Patrol assisted on multiple tows and returning of loose docks and kayaks through the summer.

All our boat moorings and kayak slips were sold out once again. We replaced one of the boat moorings and there are plans to fix the rest of the mooring for the following summer. Two no wake buoys were added to the lake, both by the boat ramp.

Year to Date

Stickers issued= 165

Non-motorized Vessels=568

Turn Aways = 2

Tows= 10

Warnings/Pull Overs= 17

Police Involvement=0

COLUMBIA OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022

Columbia Open Space Committee is advisory to the Board of Selectmen and has a two-fold charge: to make recommendations on proposed Open Space parcels, and to provide education about the importance of Open Space.

The Open Space Committee reviews parcels in the Priority Conservation Areas, as identified in Columbia's Plan of Conservation and Development, when landowners express interest in making them available for Open Space Preservation or Farmland Preservation.

The Open Space Committee reviews subdivision plans and makes recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission concerning Open Space.

The 2022 Annual Connecticut Land Conservation Council Conference, which members attended virtually this year, was held in March. Members of the Open Space Committee represent the Town of Columbia at the Salmon River Watershed Alliance and write articles for the Columbia Views on Open Space topics.

Columbia Open Space Committee is currently working with the Trust for Public Land and the State of Connecticut to annex a large tract of forested land to the Mono Pond State Park. We are also exploring the possibility of expanding this collaboration to include the International Mountain Biking Association.

Through a generous donation of the Ramm Family, the Town of Columbia has received the 25-acre Anita Faye Ramm Conservation Land. In addition, the Town has acquired a 5-acre parcel, on the Hop River, of historic and recreational significance.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Dunnack

Christopher Tolsdorf

Ron Wikholm

Rob Hellstrom

Justin Riendeau

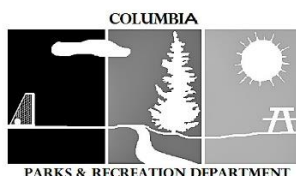
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Don Cianci

Donald Schofield

Paul Zator

**COLUMBIA PARKS AND RECREATION
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2021-2022**



As Co-vid restrictions eased, Parks and Recreation was able to re-engage many program favorites and add in a few new additions.

Summer 2021 showcased two favorites as part of our Summer Concert Series, Jim Blair and Bruce John. Boating License courses, by Mark Vining, and an American Red Cross Lifeguarding Course were held in conjunction with water safety needs for Columbia Lake. The Holowaty Baseball and Love for the Game Baseball Camps were once again back at Rec Park. A Summer Sizzler Road Race closed out the summer with just about 100 participants.

Youth Rec Basketball had another fulfilling season. Teams were able to get a full season playing against local surrounding towns, with a few co-vid restrictions still in place. Adult recreation programs Zumba, Commit, Fit Fusion, Co-ed Volleyball, and Men's and Women's Basketball continued to be a popular form of exercise.

Rec Park came to life with inflatables and lights for a 2nd annual Winter Wonderland Drive Thru. Other community engagement was an Egg Hunt and Yoga at Rec Park. The Community Garden at Szegda Farm was once again well received.

Improvements to Rec Park continue. New dugouts for the baseball field were completed and a course for Disk Golf is in the works.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Fiske

Director of Parks and Recreation

**Columbia Parks and Recreation
Fund 29 - Recreation Programs
2021-2022**

Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 28,778.62
Less: Petty Cash	60.00
Facilities Deposits	
Prepaid Services	1,028.32
Scholarship Fund	<u>2,690.30</u>

Net Available Beginning Fund Balance \$ 25,000.00

Revenues:	Expenditures	Net Earnings
Adult Programs	Adult Programs	
Boating Course	\$ 1,666.00	\$ 79.80
Fit Fusion	2,602.00	1,273.00
Kayak Rentals	340.00	340.00
Men's Basketball	1,061.00	1,061.00
Pickleball	320.00	294.02
Volleyball	467.00	467.00
Women's Basketball	266.00	266.00
Yoga	286.00	(33.00)
Zumba	2,393.00	730.50
Total	<u>\$ 9,401.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,478.32</u>
Fundraisers	Fundraisers	
Summer Sizzler	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
Summer Concerts	238.00	(951.89)
Road Race	1,526.00	703.36
Miscellaneous	-	(0.21)
Total	<u>\$ 1,889.00</u>	<u>\$ (123.74)</u>
Beach Programs	Beach Programs	
Deposits - pending refund		(50.00)
Beach Parties	700.00	146.10
Total	<u>\$ 700.00</u>	<u>\$ 96.10</u>
Youth Programs	Youth Programs	
Youth Basketball	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 4,146.29
Scholarships	<u>230.00</u>	<u>230.00</u>
Transfer out to Town	<u>\$ 8,826.97</u>	<u>\$ (8,826.97)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 21,820.00</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Ending Fund Balance	\$ 28,598.62
Less: Petty Cash	60.00
Facilities Deposits	50.00
Prepaid Services	1,028.32
Scholarship Fund	<u>2,460.30</u>

Net Available Ending Fund Balance \$ 25,000.00

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022**

TO: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The objectives and purposes of the Planning and Zoning Commission of Columbia are those set forth in Chapters 124 (Zoning) and 126 (Planning) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as revised, and those powers and duties delegated to the Planning and Zoning Commission by the statutes and by Ordinance in Columbia Town Records, Book 4, Page 457.

The following decisions were made by the Planning and Zoning Commission during Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022:

PZC 2021-06: Hop River LLC, application for a 4-lot subdivision on Hop River Road, property address 127 Route 6, Assessor's Map 005, Lot 16A.
APPROVED: 08/09/2021

PZC 2021-07: Valley Street Investments, LLC application for Regulation Amendment to Section 9-Definitions, Section 21.2.3.16 and Section 52.7.5 for an event/wedding facility or facilities where weddings or events shall take place.
APPROVED: 8/23/2021

PZC 2122-01: Town of Columbia application to add a restroom/concession building and maintenance building to Recreation Park.
APPROVED: 10/25/2021

PZC 2122-02: Valley Street Investments, LLC application for Wedding/Event Facility at 79 Cards Mill Road, Map 20 Lot 16, per Section 52.7.5
WITHDRAWN

PZC 2122-03: Walt Tabor and Hendrickus G. & Rebecca L. Shurink application for a 72' x 180' Indoor Riding Arena, at 544 Rte 87 East, Map 32 Lot 39, per Section 52.7.17.
WITHDRAWN

PZC 2122-04: C. Briggs et al., Zoning Amendment Application to repeal Section 52.7.5 Event/Wedding Venue Facilities.
DENIED: 4/11/2022

PZC 2122-05: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to address changes by State Legislature
APPROVED: 04/25/2022

PZC 2122-06: Valley Street Investments (Greg Glaude and Norman Thibeault, Jr.), application for Wedding/Event Facility at 79 Cards Mill Road, Map 20 Lot 16, per Section 52.7.5.
DENIED: 07/25/2022

The Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. The commission strongly encourages the citizens of Columbia to attend meetings and contribute to decisions regarding the future of your town.

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
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2021-2022**

Respectfully submitted:
Joshua Stern (Board Clerk)

Paula Stahl, Town Planner
Richard Nassiff Jr., Chair
Vera M. Englert, Vice Chair
Robert Powell, Secretary
F. Thomas Currier
Alex Bothell (to 6/22/2022)

Richard Napolitano
Justin Riendeau
John Preston (Alternate)
Ed Madrak (Alternate; from 11/22/2021)
Walter Tabor (Alternate; from 12/7/2021)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022

The Town of Columbia's Department of Public Works is responsible for the maintenance of 43.7 miles of town roads, Columbia Recreation Area, Rails-to-Trails, the Town Beach, the Lake Dam, Old Yard Cemetery, and the Town Green.

Total approved operating budgets that provide support services for those responsibilities listed above, for Public Works was \$671,441 with Transfer Station operations totaling \$238,721. Both budgets combined allowed for a staff of six full-time employees, three part-time employees for the Transfer Station and one additional part time employee in Public Works.

Projects Included:

- Milled and Paved Cards Mill Road from Rt 66 East to intersection of Baker Hill Road.
- Paved aprons along Cards Mill Road.
- Repaired numerous catch basins on town roads.
- Installed numerous cross pipes on Hennequin Road.
- Pavement repairs on Laurel Lane, School House Road and Gaulin Road.
- Performed site work for new Pavilion and Maintenance Building at Rec Park.
- Multiple tree removals and brush cleanup at Rec Park.
- Constructed new walking paths at Rec Park.
- Brush/Tree removal for Disc Golf Course.
- Removal of Dugouts and site preparation for new at Little League Field.
- Repairs to boat launch at Town Beach.
- Performed various maintenance issues at Szegda Farm.
- Resurfaced track at Porter School.
- Installed asphalt curbing at Porter School.
- Site work at Porter School for new storage building.
- Site work for new long jump area at Porter School.
- Multiple tree removals and brush cleanup at Porter School.
- Performed cleanup after Storm Ida.
- Maintenance of Senior Center parking lot.
- Road sweeping of 43 miles April thru May.
- Painted double yellow lines and white stop bars on local road.
- Cleaning of 450 Catch basins

Snowfall Events and Total Accumulation:

- First Snow December 8, 2021 - 1"
- Last Snow March 9, 2022 - 2"
- Total seasonal snowfall 49"

**REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
ANNUAL REPORT
FY 2021-2022**

November 1, 2022

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
TOWN OF COLUMBIA
COLUMBIA, CT 06237

Registrars

Karen Butzgy – Democratic
Alyson Cranick – Republican

Deputy Registrars

Michele Barton – Democratic
Gayle Mulligan – Republican

Office: Yeomans Hall (to the left of the stage), 323 Jonathan Trumbull Highway.

Hours: As needed or by appointment. Additional hours as mandated by CT State Statutes.

Contact: 860-228-6843 x 113/Email: registrar@columbiact.org

The Registrars of Voters position is a two-year elected term. The office is governed by CT State Statutes and funded by the municipality. The Registrars are responsible for all elections, primaries, and referendums. This includes hiring and training election officials, preparing the voting machines, preparing all materials, and having all records up to date to assure an orderly election process.

Certified Moderators: Mildred Ramsey (U), Katie Christenson (D), and Nelisa Reagan (D)

On November 2, 2021, the Municipal Election was held. Of the 4060 registered voters, 1451 voted resulting in an 36% voter turnout.

On February 10, 2022, Katherine Morrison resigned from her position as the Republican Registrar of Voters. The Republican Deputy Registrar, Alyson Cranick, was appointed as Registrar. On April 22, 2022 Gayle Mulligan was appointed as the Republican Deputy Registrar of Voters.

Karen C. Butzgy, Democratic Registrar
Alyson Cranick, Republican Registrar

CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022

During the period covered by this report, the Connecticut State Police responded to 2,671 calls for service. There were approximately 92 criminal investigations within the Town of Columbia, CT. Miscellaneous calls for service include: responding to alarms, neighbor disputes, property checks, assisting citizens, and assorted non-criminal matters. There were also: 65 motor vehicle accidents, 3 operating under the influence arrests, 87 infractions and 206 warnings.

I am in my 8th year as the Resident Trooper of Columbia. I am a Child Passenger Safety Instructor. I am a member of Columbia's Youth Services Committee, Columbia's School Safety Committee, Columbia's Town Safety Committee and the Drug Task Force through AHM. I take great pride in serving the Town of Columbia. I am constantly looking at ways to improve the police services of this town, and I am always open to your thoughts and suggestions.

The Resident Trooper can be reached by calling:

OFFICE: 860-228-6845 ext. 195

TROOP K: 860-465-5400

I look forward to continuing to serve the citizens of Columbia in my role as the Resident State Trooper.

Yours in Safety,

TFC Greg DeCarli #1090

Resident State Trooper

SZEGDA FARM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT
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2022 was again a very positive year for the Town of Columbia Szegda Farm property.

In early 2021 the Board of Selectmen approved the purchase of a much-needed new riding lawn mower for the property. It proved its worth both in 2021 and 2022.

In the summer of 2021, the Board of Selectmen approved archery only hunting on the property. We have 3 participants for the 2022 season. Many thanks to the work put in on this by Ann Dunnack, Mark Walter, Marc Volza.

Every year Columbia Boy Scout Troop 162 provides much needed trail maintenance for us. This year was no exception, and they did a wonderful job for us during the Spring and the Fall clearing brush from the whole trail network. The Boy Scouts also volunteered their time to help with the Fall cleanup in the Community Garden. Thank you.

The Community Garden had another very successful year with the help of Deb Smith, Leslie Brand, Millie Ramsey, Bob Ulkus, Marc Volza, and many other volunteers. 2022 there were approximately 20 community gardeners registered. Millie Ramsey, again, helped organize a very successful garden tour through out Columbia on behalf of the Columbia Historical Society and the community garden was one of the stops along the way. Plans for another tour in 2023 are in the works.

In 2020 the Town entered into a 5-year lease with a local farmer, Jeremy Zurell, for the improvement of and maintenance of the back hayfield. This is a significant accomplishment. He did quite a bit of work on the hay field this year and we should see it being more productive in the coming years. He will be doing soil testing during the Fall of 2022 and then applying fertilizer and other soil amendments to the field based on UCONN recommendations.

Ron Szegda continues to farm the Szegda Farm Plains Lot. During 2022 Ron was able to cut the whole field, this was delayed in 2021 due to wet conditions. He also was able to apply fertilizer/chicken manure to the field in 2022.

SZEGDA FARM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
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The clearing and mowing of the pasture land between the lower and upper parking areas over the past few years continues to provide the only real public sledding area in Columbia and as more of the public become aware of it, we expect that Szegda Farm will be the winter destination for residents for hiking, cross country skiing and sledding.

During 2020-2021 the Board of Selectmen approved the revised management plan for the Szegda Farm property. In 2023 we will continue the work started in 2022 on a Management Plan for Agricultural Management Unit 1 - Plains Lot. We hope to develop this revised plan using current Best Management Practices for this specific area with a 1 year, 5 year and beyond implementation schedule

Tom McGrath – Chairman Szegda Farm Management Committee

**TAX OFFICE
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022**

The collection rate for the Grand List of October 1, 2020 was 99.%. The balance of unpaid taxes at the end of the fiscal year 2021-2022 was \$316,477.87. Collections are continuous and during the month of July 2022, \$45,409.50 of those unpaid taxes mentioned above were collected.

We continue to have steady growth from the Taxpayers in the usage of the online system. The service fee for the Taxpayer for using electronic payment transfer from a Bank account is \$0.95 when making online payments. The service fee for the Taxpayer for credit/debit cards is 2.95% when making online payments.

Mail should no longer be sent to PO Box 25 in Columbia. Webster Bank's lockbox service picks up the mail from Columbia's Hartford PO Box 150512 and processes tax payments in July and January. All other mail is sent to the Tax Office.

If you are having difficulties paying your taxes, it is very important that you contact this office to make suitable arrangements to bring your taxes current.

As always, I appreciate the opportunity to serve you as Tax Collector and would like to thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol W. Price, CCMC
Tax Collector
6/30/2022

Town of Columbia
unpaid taxes for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022

GRAND LIST YEAR 2006			GRAND LIST YEAR 2016	
DEFERRED	\$ 5,659.04		HANCOX BRANDON M	\$ 254.14
GRAND LIST YEAR 2007			HUNNIFORD SEAN P	\$ 179.34
DEFERRED	\$ 2,308.68		MACARTHUR LORI K	\$ 415.87
GRAND LIST YEAR 2008			MCGHIE KELLY V	\$ 291.69
DEFERRED	\$ 3,000.00		ROLY RUSSELL C 4TH	\$ 300.00 *
GRAND LIST YEAR 2009			ZARABOUTIS MARIA I	\$ 364.47
DEFERRED	\$ 3,000.00		GILBERT JOSEPH	\$ 15.19
GRAND LIST YEAR 2010			SHUSKA STEPHANIE	\$ 189.42
DEFERRED	\$ 2,675.08		TOTAL	\$ 11,312.43
GRAND LIST YEAR 2011				
DEFERRED	\$ 3,100.00		GRAND LIST YEAR 2017	
GRAND LIST YEAR 2012			DEFERRED	\$ 3,500.00
DEFERRED	\$ 3,000.00		COLUMBIA I LLC	\$ 143.72
GRAND LIST YEAR 2013			CROCKER ROY L & SANDRA A	\$ 3,240.98
DEFERRED	\$ 3,000.00		PARKER JAMES E	\$ 2,246.44 *
GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 969.10 *		GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,283.20
TOTAL	\$ 3,969.10		MESSIER RYAN	\$ 359.30
			VERSATILE CONSTRUCTION INC	\$ 1,062.86
GRAND LIST YEAR 2014			CAMARA SHEILA Y	\$ 237.57
DEFERRED	\$ 3,200.00		GILBERT JOSEPH	\$ 45.75
GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,017.38		HANCOX BRANDON M	\$ 225.25
TOTAL	\$ 4,217.38		HAWKINS KATHLEEN E	\$ 77.43
			HUNNIFORD SEAN P	\$ 149.88
GRAND LIST YEAR 2015			LEMIRE MICHAEL P	\$ 776.60
DEFERRED	\$ 3,500.00		MACARTHUR LORI K	\$ 342.87
GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,200.50		MAILLOUX ARLENE A	\$ 67.46
DENNEY JOSHUA M	\$ 485.14		POLIT NICHOLAS L	\$ 164.25
MCGHIE KELLY V	\$ 192.35		RIQUIER DAMIEN J	\$ 261.33
CAMARA SHEILA Y	\$ 321.87		ROLY RUSSELL C 4TH	\$ 327.03
HANCOX BRANDON M	\$ 356.53		SHAHAN BRIANA D	\$ 53.67
HUNNIFORD SEAN P	\$ 180.80		SHUSKA STEPHANIE	\$ 402.99
ZARABOUTIS MARIA I	\$ 92.20		SMITH GARY A	\$ 202.09
TOTAL	\$ 6,329.39		VANGELAKOS ELLEN J	\$ 101.78
			VARGA MELANIE D	\$ 741.17
GRAND LIST YEAR 2016			ZARABOUTIS MARIA I	\$ 296.82
DEFERRED	\$ 3,500.00		CHOWANEC WILLIAM M	\$ 77.93
CROCKER ROY L & S	\$ 2,484.34 *		GARVEY BETTY	\$ 260.74
GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,263.50		GIGGEY RYAN T	\$ 144.31
MESSIER RYAN	\$ 303.24		POLIT NICHOLAS L	\$ 293.68
VERSATILE CONSTRUCTION	\$ 1,046.56		TOTAL	\$ 17,087.10
CAMARA SHEILA Y	\$ 276.96			
DENNEY JOSHUA M	\$ 427.71			

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GRAND LIST YEAR 2018			VANGELAKOS ELLEN J	\$ 93.56	
DEFERRED	\$ 3,500.00		WINTERS SAMUEL B	\$ 839.72	
COLUMBIA I LLC	\$ 143.72		WOLF JONATHAN B	\$ 434.67	
CROCKER ROY L & SANDRA A	\$ 3,240.98		ZARABOUTIS KONSTANDINOS I	\$ 759.06	
PALUSO JOSEPH	\$ 2,689.56	*	DEPTULA WALTER	\$ 12.47	
MORIN II KENNETH	\$ 3,161.78		HART CORY L	\$ 217.04	
OLSON RUSSELL G	\$ 3,950.76		TEBO MATHEW J	\$ 51.38	
PARKER JAMES E	\$ 4,991.98		ALONZO FRANCISCO AMADO A	\$ 245.29	
CICCHIELLO KARA	\$ 256.64		DECARLI DAVID M	\$ 216.84	
GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,283.20		DOULTON EDWARD G	\$ 193.49	
MESSIER RYAN	\$ 359.30		GARVEY DALE M	\$ 77.14	
VERSATILE CONSTRUCTION INC	\$ 1,062.86		KOBYLSKI CORY L	\$ 638.78	
BARON CURTIS J	\$ 253.12		LARA CHELSEA L	\$ 21.03	
BLAIR DANIEL M	\$ 14.67		MERSEREAU PAUL E	\$ 82.04	
BOLTON STEPHANIE T	\$ 183.31		NEVES CHAD A	\$ 368.68	
BURNS ASHLEY W	\$ 178.03		PETSA DANIELLE A	\$ 45.20	
CHAMBERLAIN ALAN G	\$ 425.16		SHIVJI TRANSPORT LLC	\$ 104.71	
CHOWANEC WILLIAM M	\$ 219.68		WATTS TAYLOR A	\$ 81.39	
CONANT WILLIAM J	\$ 426.16		WESTCOTT RONALD W	\$ 17.31	*
CORSON ISRAEL D	\$ 326.44		TOTAL	\$ 37,757.84	
DEADWYLER DAYSHAWN T	\$ 165.42				
FORTIER ANNMARIE A	\$ 452.86		GRAND LIST YEAR 2019		
GARVEY BETTY	\$ 242.85		DEFERRED	\$ 3,500.00	
GIGGEY RYAN T	\$ 183.31		COLUMBIA I LLC	\$ 143.72	
GILBERT JOSEPH	\$ 41.65		CROCKER ROY L & SANDRA A	\$ 3,240.98	
GOULD SARAH R	\$ 104.71		DESROSIERS LUANN	\$ 674.49	*
HARRISON JOSHUA L	\$ 389.79		MORIN II KENNETH	\$ 3,161.78	
HART ROBERT L	\$ 133.45		NAUMEC JOHN R	\$ 2,980.83	*
HARVEY ROXANNE R	\$ 221.15		OLSON RUSSELL G	\$ 3,950.76	
HOPKINS MICHELLE D	\$ 110.57		PALUSO JOSEPH	\$ 5,379.12	
LEMIRE MICHAEL P	\$ 587.19		PARENT JANET LYNN	\$ 55.45	*
MACARTHUR LORI K	\$ 309.14		PARKER JAMES E	\$ 4,991.98	
MCDONALD TODD M	\$ 473.68		RIQUIER BONNIE R ESTATE OF	\$ 4,747.22	*
NOVAK BRANDY M	\$ 305.91		PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 4,161.40	
NOVAK KATRINA S	\$ 338.76		ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATES PC	\$ 31.18	
ONEILL TIMOTHY D	\$ 67.75		GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,283.20	
POLIT NICHOLAS L	\$ 331.72		K & N GRAPHICS LLC	\$ 84.71	
SHUSKA STEPHANIE	\$ 385.10		LEMBO PHILIP J	\$ 167.73	*
SILVEIRA COREY J	\$ 50.45		NAUMEC JOHN R	\$ 161.70	
SILVER LINING EQUESTRIAN	\$ 56.02		PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 1,452.58	
SMITH DERRICK	\$ 1,198.67	*	VERSATILE CONSTRUCTION INC	\$ 1,062.86	
SPENCE TRISTAN A	\$ 47.22		ALONZO FRANCISCO AMADO A	\$ 243.73	
THOMPSON CATHERINE L	\$ 393.32		BARON CURTIS J	\$ 223.20	

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GRAND LIST YEAR 2019			PETSA DANIELLE A	\$ 60.71	
BEAUDRY ANDREW E	\$ 309.43		POLIT NICHOLAS L	\$ 272.48	
BELLISLE RICHARD B	\$ 5.05	*	RIQUIER BONNIE R	\$ 218.22	
BOLTON STEPHANIE T	\$ 169.82		SANBORN CHARLES W	\$ 112.04	
BURRELL MATTHEW T	\$ 84.18		PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 527.65	
CHAMBERLAIN ALAN G	\$ 541.14		SEARS GETCHELL K	\$ 70.39	
CHOWANEC WILLIAM M	\$ 216.75		SILVEIRA COREY J	\$ 48.39	
CONANT WILLIAM J	\$ 395.66		SMITH DERRICK	\$ 1,566.52	
CONNORS SUZANNAH M	\$ 439.36		SPECTOR JACOB C	\$ 245.49	
COVINO RAYMOND R	\$ 157.21		STIWINTER THERESA A	\$ 361.93	
DECARLI DAVID M	\$ 461.07		STJUSTE JOHN B	\$ 144.30	
DIAZ VIANCA D	\$ 66.87		TAYLOR CHRISTOPHER W	\$ 8.21	
DORSEY CUSTOMS LLC	\$ 332.60		TEBO MATHEW J	\$ 102.07	
DOUTON EDWARD G	\$ 638.81		THOMPSON CATHERINE L	\$ 341.99	
DUBREUIL CATHLENE G	\$ 139.02		VACCARO RUTH G	\$ 134.62	
DUNN JEFFREY C	\$ 324.39		VANGELAKOS ELLEN J	\$ 80.66	
EDMONDS CAROL J	\$ 132.86		VELEZ PENA OSCABERNY	\$ 227.30	
FAHEY EDMUND T	\$ 24.64		VERTEFEUILLE MALLORY M	\$ 176.57	
FORTIER ANNMARIE A	\$ 401.82		WATTS TAYLOR A	\$ 125.24	
FORTIER DANIELLE A	\$ 210.59		WESTCOTT RONALD W	\$ 190.06	
GARVEY BETTY	\$ 221.73		WINTERS SAMUEL B	\$ 773.43	
GARVEY DALE M	\$ 68.93		ZARABOUTIS KONSTANDINOS I	\$ 1,007.18	
GIGGEY RYAN T	\$ 164.84		TORRES ORTIZ FRANCES G	\$ 242.85	
GOSELIN ALISHA A	\$ 134.62		HARDY JOHN P	\$ 79.04	
GOWIN BAILEY J	\$ 407.69		STEINMEYER PAUL R	\$ 14.90	
GRIFFIN RACHEL L	\$ 706.27		BAUTISTA EUTACIO A	\$ 41.06	
GUSTAFSON CAITRYN E	\$ 61.01		GOECKLER FRANK E	\$ 158.09	
HARRISON JOSHUA L	\$ 175.39		KOWALSKI THOMAS A	\$ 242.79	
HART ROBERT L	\$ 118.49		VAZQUEZ JENNIFER	\$ 76.55	
HOPKINS MICHELLE D	\$ 101.49		ROGERS CAMERON H	\$ 63.06	
HOULE REBECCA A	\$ 75.08		PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 310.60	
KOBYLSKI CORY L	\$ 637.05		CALEF DANIEL A	\$ 29.33	
KRATT GLORIA M	\$ 66.29		BARREA BOURQUIN JULIET G	\$ 34.26	
LARA CHELSEA L	\$ 49.86		BENETATOS HELENE	\$ 94.94	
MASTROIANNI KATELYN L	\$ 234.64		BOGDA JOHN J	\$ 176.80	
MERSEREAU PAUL E	\$ 229.36		CHESTERS ZACHARY A	\$ 209.63	
NEVES CHAD A	\$ 334.36		CICCHIELLO EVE A	\$ 25.66	
NOVAK BRANDY M	\$ 290.07		DAVIS BETHANY A	\$ 40.92	
NOVAK KATRINA S	\$ 300.93		DRURY RYAN C	\$ 253.70	
OSZAPINSKI MICHELE G	\$ 54.85		DUBREUIL CATHLENE G	\$ 322.19	
OSUBA JOSE A	\$ 14.67		EVANS MARGE	\$ 196.22	
PEMBERTON EVELYN M	\$ 6.16		FLUBACHER TRAVIS J	\$ 223.79	
PEMBERTON JOHN S	\$ 372.78		HARDY CLARENCE E	\$ 91.80	

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GRAND LIST 2019		DRURY ANN MARIE	\$ 23.11	
HASS APRIL S	\$ 109.20	GRIFFIN CHRIS	\$ 1,283.20	
LARA CHELSEA L	\$ 157.36	HINCKLEY RICHARD	\$ 17.89	
LOMBARDI TIFFANY M	\$ 396.69	LEMBO PHILIP J	\$ 269.10	
MARTIN HUNTER C	\$ 10.27	MCGRATH THOMAS	\$ 59.04	
NIEMCZYK ERIN P	\$ 346.01	MESSIER RYAN	\$ 410.62	
ROSS CARRIE A	\$ 32.85	MILLER ROBERT W JR & BOUCHARD	\$ 449.14	
SAUCIER ALEXIS R	\$ 88.49	NAUMEC JOHN R	\$ 161.70	
SAUNDERS ALLISON J	\$ 112.92	NORTHERN LEASING SYSTEMS INC	\$ 5.13	
PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 45.96	PEHOWDY COREY	\$ 332.90	
SMITH JEFFREY R	\$ 87.64	POKORNY JOHN	\$ 153.99	*
SPECTOR JACOB C	\$ 719.46	PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 1,437.90	
TUCKER ETHAN R	\$ 299.52	STROUT THOMAS A	\$ 179.65	
WESTCOTT RONALD W	\$ 163.75	TOCE JOSEPH & RUFFINO MICHAEL	\$ 89.84	
TOTAL	\$ 64,091.14	VERSATILE CONSTRUCTION INC	\$ 1,062.86	
		WARD BARBARA	\$ 17.98	
GRAND LIST YEAR 2020		WISE MARKETING CT LLC	\$ 56.46	
DEFERRED	\$ 3,500.00	ALONZO FRANCISCO AMADO A	\$ 230.53	
A & J REALTY LLC	\$ 5,728.16	ANGELIDES CHRISTOPHER J	\$ 280.69	
CECUNJANIN GANIJA	\$ 61.55	* BAILEY ANDREW T	\$ 281.86	
ANGELASTRO LEONARD	\$ 4,097.40	BAKER BRENT A	\$ 100.02	
CICCHIELLO KARLEEN STUL	\$ 52.26	* PEREZ LAUREN A	\$ 318.82	
COLUMBIA I LLC	\$ 143.72	BEAUDRY ANDREW E	\$ 65.11	
CROCKER ROY L & S	\$ 3,240.98	BENETATOS HELENE	\$ 399.77	
DEGRAW MARTIN A EST OF	\$ 985.57	* BENETATOS JAMES	\$ 446.70	
DESROSIERS LUANN	\$ 3,097.26	BETTERLEY ROBERT W JR	\$ 94.44	
EDMONDS KASSANDRA C	\$ 1,771.53	* BILL TIFFANY A	\$ 327.03	
FAIRVIEW FARMS LLC	\$ 4,051.94	* BOGDA JOHN J	\$ 300.93	
KNIGHT JOHN L& LISA M	\$ 1,180.04	* CHAMBERLAIN ALAN G	\$ 401.82	
LUKASZEWSKI EST OF	\$ 1,374.11	* CHENETTE DENNA M	\$ 137.56	
MICHAUD FAMILY REALTY	\$ 3,763.04	* CHENETTE MARK L	\$ 99.14	
MORIN II KENNETH	\$ 3,161.78	CHESTERS ZACHARY A	\$ 390.68	
NAUMEC JOHN R	\$ 3,396.42	CHRISTENSON KATIE	\$ 266.03	
OLSON RUSSELL G	\$ 3,950.76	CONNORS SUZANNAH M	\$ 165.71	
PALUSO JOSEPH	\$ 6,716.58	COUGHLIN BRIAN M	\$ 709.20	
PARENT JANET LYNN	\$ 4,663.48	COVINO RAYMOND R	\$ 66.29	
PARKER JAMES E	\$ 4,991.98	DAVIS BETHANY A	\$ 168.35	
RIQUIER BONNIE R EST OF	\$ 5,690.02	DECARLI DAVID M	\$ 443.47	
SZEGDA RONALD H	\$ 7,422.26	* DIAZ LUCINDA T	\$ 122.60	
TETREULT SUZANNE	\$ 5,333.66	DOUTON EDWARD G	\$ 446.99	
TOLLAND COUNTY FOUND	\$ 114.39	DRURY RYAN C	\$ 569.59	
VALOIS MIGUEL A	\$ 2,282.72	* DUBREUIL CATHLENE G	\$ 649.37	
CASE ORTHODONTICS LAB	\$ 131.25	DUNN JEFFREY C	\$ 18.48	

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GRAND LIST 2020		NEVES CHAD A	\$ 13.49	
DZIEDZIAK ZIGMUND J JR	\$ 61.59	NIEMCZYK ERIN P	\$ 457.25	
EDMONDS CAROL J	\$ 124.36	NILES CARIE A	\$ 307.09	
ERICKSON KATHERINE L	\$ 159.26	OLSEN LEIGHANN I	\$ 23.76	
GALLAGHER SHAWN M	\$ 245.79	ORTIZ NOEMI	\$ 134.04	
GARCIA YOLANTA	\$ 397.71	OSUBA JOSE A	\$ 14.67	
GARDINER AMANDA J	\$ 175.10	PARENT JANET L	\$ 864.06	
GARVEY BETTY	\$ 217.63	PEHOWDY COREY W	\$ 244.02	
GOSLIN REBECCA M	\$ 93.56	PETSA DANIELLE A	\$ 54.55	
GOSELIN NICKOLAS D	\$ 90.48	POOLER MATTHEW D	\$ 71.27	
GOULD GERALD R	\$ 614.76	PRICE AUSTIN J	\$ 364.57	
GRIEVE JUSTIN E	\$ 327.03	PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 177.74	
GRIEVE SHANA F	\$ 327.03	PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 1,063.21	*
GRIFFIN RACHEL L	\$ 700.11	RITCHIE GINA M	\$ 126.71	
HARDEGEN SUEANN E	\$ 182.14	ROGERS DAVID J	\$ 432.32	
HARRISON JOSHUA L	\$ 169.82	ROSA YESSENIA L	\$ 110.28	
HASS APRIL S	\$ 105.29	RUFLETH MAXWELL H	\$ 71.27	
HEBERT RAYMOND J	\$ 281.86	SABA CHAD C	\$ 321.45	
HINCKLEY MELISSA S	\$ 239.63	SANBORN CHARLES W	\$ 105.29	
HINCKLEY RICHARD T	\$ 224.08	SANTOS ANNA W	\$ 544.66	
HNATH JAMES P	\$ 317.35	SAUCIER ALEXIS R	\$ 484.53	
HOWARD P FAIRFIELD LLC	\$ 927.46	PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 62.18	
HOYT GLENWOOD L	\$ 342.28	SELLERS SONYA L	\$ 777.25	
JOHNSON CARL D	\$ 49.86	SIMON LISA R	\$ 71.86	
JOHNSON RICHARD H	\$ 635.87	SMITH DERRICK	\$ 104.41	
JOSEPH ALLISSA K	\$ 1,538.95	SMITH JEFFREY R	\$ 126.41	
JOSEPH MILES B	\$ 138.73	SPECTOR JACOB C	\$ 954.10	
KELLY JANELLE A	\$ 877.56	STEFANO JESSICA E	\$ 53.67	
KIMMERLING ROBERT E	\$ 79.48	STROUT THOMAS A	\$ 676.64	
KRATT GLORIA M	\$ 61.59	SWARTZ CARL H	\$ 245.49	
LAFFERTY NICHOLAS H	\$ 140.20	TAYLOR JILLIAN Q	\$ 321.75	
LARA CHELSEA L	\$ 188.30	TEODORCZYK SARAH L	\$ 107.05	
LEMBO NICOLE M	\$ 212.94	TUCKER ETHAN R	\$ 488.64	
LEONE ERIKA M	\$ 48.69	PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 417.95	
LOMBARDI TIFFANY M	\$ 793.38	UNDERWOOD ROYAL E	\$ 918.02	
MACARTHUR BARRY W	\$ 67.17	VACCARO RUTH G	\$ 126.71	
MASTROIANNI KATELYN L	\$ 300.64	VOLKENS GLADYS J	\$ 60.13	
MCGRATH THOMAS R	\$ 542.60	WARD BARBARA E	\$ 1,032.13	
MERSEREAU PAUL E	\$ 220.85	WARD DARCI E	\$ 79.19	
MESSIER JONATHAN L	\$ 398.89	WESTCOTT RONALD W	\$ 241.68	
MESSIER RYAN A	\$ 278.64	WINTERS SAMUEL B	\$ 797.19	
MORIN KENNETH R 2ND	\$ 392.15	ZARABOUTIS KONSTANDINOS I	\$ 665.20	
NEURATH CAROLINE R	\$ 106.17	PETROWSKY JOSEPH L	\$ 114.97	

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GRAND LIST 2020			HAGEN SHAWN M	\$ 35.40	
EAST WILLOW FARM LLC	\$ 645.26		HASS APRIL S	\$ 11.53	
MILLER MELISSA M	\$ 297.63	*	PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 273.65	
TORRES ORTIZ FRANCES G	\$ 231.41		HINCKLEY RICHARD T	\$ 489.14	
DOBBIE ERIC J	\$ 112.92		HOLT JULIE L	\$ 496.94	
GETCHELL MARY J	\$ 488.05		JONES STACEY M	\$ 383.26	
ORTIZ TAMMY L	\$ 129.93		KELLY JANELLE A	\$ 107.79	
BEBYN HOLLY C	\$ 140.20		KOWALYSHYN ROBERT	\$ 155.60	
HARDY JOHN P	\$ 84.71		LAFFERTY ALLISON D	\$ 11.97	
ADDED BILL	\$ 86.23		LARAIA JUSTIN J	\$ 56.96	
PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 225.34		LYON ASHLEY	\$ 19.65	
ARRIGONI FREDERICK C	\$ 47.54		MACARTHUR BARRY W	\$ 27.80	
BADILLO STEPHANIE M	\$ 629.42		MACHA BRIANNA S	\$ 159.21	
BARRETT ASHLEE A	\$ 33.88		MAGOWAN LEE A	\$ 133.45	
BEELINE ELECTRICAL	\$ 466.85		MANWARREN ROBERT A	\$ 60.83	
PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 73.41		MARTIN FELICIA C	\$ 161.37	
BERGMAN LAURA M	\$ 151.05		MAZIARZ MEGAN A	\$ 185.92	
BIRMINGHAM ROBERT L	\$ 451.51		MAZIARZ MICHAEL M	\$ 95.41	
BURBANK JOSEPH W	\$ 357.68		MCGOFF BRENDAN P	\$ 179.21	
C WARD ELECTRIC LLC	\$ 4,290.69		MERCHANT CINDY L	\$ 49.86	
CALEF DANIEL A	\$ 400.63		MILICI MATTHEW A	\$ 701.43	
CHENETTE MARK L	\$ 42.44		MONROE WENDY A	\$ 138.58	
CHRISTENSON KATIE	\$ 347.18		PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 42.21	
CLARK MADISON R	\$ 43.70		MURPHY OLIVER C	\$ 37.63	
PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 169.79	*	NELSON DERYK A	\$ 76.11	
DENNEY HEATHER M	\$ 198.86		NEURATH CAROLINE R	\$ 678.70	
DIAZ LUCINDA T	\$ 50.89		NICHOLS DAVID A JR	\$ 403.96	
DILEONARDO MAY C	\$ 5.13		NIEMCZYK RYAN P	\$ 146.94	
DRURY ANN M	\$ 135.56		NURCZYK JOHN R	\$ 429.01	
DRURY RYAN C	\$ 14.67		PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 378.42	
DUROCHER MELANIE D	\$ 201.79		OREILLY IAN E	\$ 655.70	
ETHIER JOEL T	\$ 390.09		ORTIZ TAMMY L	\$ 286.76	
FARIES JENNIFER M	\$ 199.36		PEHOWDY COREY W	\$ 71.86	
FINN BRIAN P	\$ 387.04		PEREZ CARLOS M JR	\$ 404.61	
GALLAGHER ISAIAS R	\$ 58.66		PETERSON CLAUDIA C	\$ 77.93	
PAID AFTER BOOKS CLOSED	\$ 133.42		PIRO STEVE J	\$ 58.66	
GARDINER AMANDA J	\$ 64.64		RADICAN JUSTIN J	\$ 22.00	
GIOVANNINI JOHN F	\$ 79.19		RAMIREZ-DELAROSA LUCIO	\$ 9.41	
GORGONE DAWN M	\$ 218.22		RAPID SERVICE LLC	\$ 444.09	
GOSELIN NICKOLAS D	\$ 751.23		RITCHIE GINA M	\$ 49.71	
GOULD GERALD R	\$ 60.57		ROGERS CAMERON H	\$ 40.15	*
GREEN DARRELL L	\$ 20.33		ROSA YAZMIN	\$ 61.24	
GUARDO LORRAINE G	\$ 149.29		ROSA YESSENIA L	\$ 62.50	

**Report of the Property Tax Collector
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022**

List Year	Beginning Balance	Lawful Corrections	Suspense	Taxes Paid	Interest Paid	Lien/Other Fees Paid	Collectible Balance	
2006	\$5,659.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,659.04	
2007	\$2,308.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,308.68	
2008	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
2009	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
2010	\$2,675.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,675.08	
2011	\$3,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,100.00	
2012	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
2013	\$3,969.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$170.00	\$0.00	\$3,969.10	
2014	\$4,217.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,217.38	
2015	\$6,533.62	\$0.00	(\$204.23)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,329.39	
2016	\$11,724.69	\$0.00	(\$342.23)	\$70.03	\$676.26	\$1.00	\$11,312.43	
2017	\$26,822.68	\$0.00	(\$6,285.37)	\$3,450.21	\$978.68	\$5.00	\$17,087.10	
2018	\$50,726.53	(\$170.11)	\$0.00	\$12,815.41	\$5,373.45	\$117.00	\$37,741.01	
2019	\$144,994.00	\$200.99	\$0.00	\$81,121.45	\$15,069.68	\$625.00	\$64,073.54	
2020	\$14,861,492.45	(\$39,209.18)	(\$90.92)	\$14,674,296.41	\$38,284.95	\$1,114.00	\$147,895.94	
Totals	\$15,133,223.25	(\$39,178.30)	(\$6,922.75)	\$14,771,753.51	\$60,553.02	\$1,862.00	\$315,368.69	
							\$1,079.18	refund balance
							\$316,447.87	net collectible balance
				\$2,323.13	\$3,157.31	\$15.00		suspense collected
				\$14,774,076.64	\$63,710.33	\$1,877.00	\$14,839,663.97	total collected
				<u>\$57,771.35</u>	<u>\$246.71</u>	<u>\$3.00</u>		refunds
copy of lawful corrections on file with the Town Clerk								Carol W. Price CCMC
copy of accounts of suspense with Selectmen and Tax Collector								6/30/2022

**TOWN CLERK
ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR
2021-2022**

The Town Clerk's Office is responsible for keeping the official records of the Town. It is the center for public records, including land records, maps, vital statistics, elections and minutes of the numerous boards and commissions. It is governed by State Statutes, Town Ordinances and the Town Charter.

The Town Clerk issues and files various licenses and permits and the deadlines for some of these should be noted.

- Dog licenses must be purchased when the dog becomes 6 months old and renewed annually during the month of June, at a fee of \$19.00 for an unaltered dog and \$8.00 for an altered dog. When licensing a dog, you must present a rabies certificate stating the date of expiration of the rabies shot.
- Marriage licenses can be obtained in town of occurrence at the cost of \$50.00.
- Veterans' Discharges must be filed with the Town Clerk's Office in each Town of residence by **September 30** to qualify for a possible tax exemption.
- Absentee Ballots are issued by the Town Clerk' Office.
- Trade Names must be filed by any person conducting a business under a designation other than his or her own name.
- Liquor Permits must be filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

Columbia is a member of the Greater Manchester Probate District Court, which includes the towns of Andover, Bolton, Columbia and Manchester.

It has been another busy year in the Town Clerk's Office. The following statistics reflect activity for the 2021-2022 fiscal year:

Documents Recorded	1126
Maps Recorded	12
Dog Licenses	567
Kennel Licenses	1
Marriages	20
Births	52
Deaths	56
Solicitors Licensed	8

**TOWN CLERK
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A grant from the Connecticut State Library Historic Document Preservation program allowed the Town Clerk's office to take on three projects this year. (1) Update our Grantor/Grantee Indexes for the Land Records from 2000-2020. The indexes were reprinted and placed in coordinating black and red binders. (2) Microfilming of Grantor/Grantee Indexes from January 1, 1958 to December 31, 2020 and Death and Marriage Vital records from 2018 to 2020. (3) Scanned 975 maps from 1990 – 2020 (30 years) to TIFF files and installed a map program on the public search computer. This is our first year working on this project.

Microfilming of our Land Record Indexes and Vital Records creates a backup copy of the documents in the event of a disaster at Columbia Town Hall. The map program allows for less handling of the original mylar maps as the public can now print copies of maps right from the computer.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin M. Kenefick
Town Clerk

**TOWN HISTORIAN
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As Columbia's Town Historian I have had the distinct pleasure of serving you, the Board of Selectmen, Horace W. Porter School students and teachers, the local history community, and visitors to Columbia both virtually and in-person as this year.

The volunteer position of Town Historian is a municipal appointment reporting to First Selectman, Steven Everett. The primary purpose of this position is to serve as a resource for the Board of Selectmen; and to maintain historical and archival materials pertaining to Columbia's governance, land use, schools, people and families, buildings, memorials, parks, and relations to other civic organizations and nearby towns. The Town Historian typically welcomes history visitors and participates in commemorative events such Veterans Day and Memorial Day honoring Columbia's citizens and military services. The Town Historian also serves as member on Columbia Historical Society's Board of Directors by invitation and virtue of this appointment.

My office and the Town's archival records and historical collection are located in The History Place, the original 1903 Saxton B. Little Free Library building at 314 Route 87 across from our current Library and the Chapel on the Green. I can be reached at 860-228-0110 ext. 134 or by email at Townhistorian@columbiact.org . As you know The History Place houses the Town of Columbia Historical Archive and Collection as well as Columbia Historical Society's collections. Again this year, due to renewed pandemic cautions this late fall and winter, contact was mostly limited to email, phone calls, and small in-person on-site meetings. Group visitation at the History Place was temporarily suspended until late spring and is now by appointment only.

Highlights of this past year were: in April 2022, I had the pleasure of participating in the Town of Chaplin's Bicentennial as co-speaker with Prof. Leslie Ricklin, Bicentennial Chair, on "The William Ross Public Library 1911: A Celebration of Life"; and in May and July had the pleasure of discovering, thanks to the generosity of Mr. David Ramm and the Ramm family, several of Columbia's 20th century artists in the Anita Fay Ramm memorial collection which can be viewed at Columbia's Town Hall.

A few of your general inquiries found their way in my recent Columbia Views articles, but typically any inquiries remain private and confidential. If you have a history question on a topic of special interest, please contact me.

Most of all, thank you for your unwavering interest, generosity, and for your gifts of Columbia's history. It is a pleasure and honor to continue to serve as your Town Historian.

Respectfully submitted,
Ingrid Wood

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
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TO: BOARD OF SELECTMEN

State law requires that each town with zoning regulations have a Zoning Board of Appeals.

The Columbia Zoning Board of Appeals meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. Its charge is to: hear requests for variances of the zoning regulations; consider applications for special permit exceptions; and hear appeals of the ruling of the Zoning Enforcement Officer. In addition, it may function as a local arm of the State Department of Motor Vehicles for the purposes of determining the appropriateness of location for facilities that are licensed by the DMV, such as motor vehicle repair garages and car dealerships.

During this fiscal year, the ZBA is staffed by the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Most cases involve a variance from a specific zoning regulation where full application of the regulation would cause unusual hardship to the applicant and prevent what would otherwise be a reasonable use of the property. The ZBA can grant a special permit for a reduced property line setback or increased lot coverage associated with a non-conforming land parcel, as well as changes of non-conforming uses to more conforming uses. In this capacity, the Board reviews application materials and acts using guidelines like those used by the Planning and Zoning Commission for special exceptions.

During Fiscal Year 2021-2022, ZBA conducted hearings for:

- 1 application for Repairer's License Location Approval; 1 granted

Respectfully submitted:

Joshua Stern (Board Clerk)

Connie Kisluk (Zoning Enforcement Officer)

Joseph J. Narkawicz, Chairman
Carole J. Williamson, Vice Chairman
(Alternate)

David Holcroft
(Alternate)

William V. Petrone, Jr.
3/1/2022)

Keith Peck
Edward DiGiovanni

Stanley Rosenstein

Jason Belval (Alternate; from

*Reports
Of
Private
Agencies*



2021-2022 Columbia Data Summary

During the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the residents of Columbia utilized the services and programs of AHM Youth and Family Services as listed below:

Family Resource Center

Program	Youth Served	Adults Served	Youth all Towns	Adults all Towns
Play & Learn Groups-In Person	9	5	95	73
KinderRHAMa Preschool	1		23	
Summer Preschool Camp	3		36	
Developmental Screenings	3		26	
First Steps in Music	11	11	54	50
FRC Family events	2	4	37	40
Support, Resources to Family Child Care Providers		1		124
Total:	29	21	271	287

Horace Porter School

Program	Youth Served	Adults Served	Youth all Towns	Adults all Towns
Individual In School Counseling / Case Management/Family Therapy	10			
Social Skills Grade 6,7,8	86			
Mentoring Program	36			
Listening Circle	47			
Equity, Identity group	43			
Social Emotional Training	55			
QPR Trainings for Staff		7		215
Wingman Introduction	130			
Adventure Park Trip	29			
Wingman Training	18	21		
Total:	454	28		

Individual and Family Therapy

Program	Youth Served	Adults Served	Youth All Towns	Adults All Towns
Individual and Family Therapy	9	4	58	16
Total:	9	4	58	16

Community

Program	Youth Served	Adults Served	Youth All Towns	Adults All Towns
Tip a Musician Project Graduation Fundraiser	3	6	76	129
Power of Words, Jr.	60		165	
Health Matters Program-In Person	1	3	37	77
Tasks Employment Program	8	13		
Theatre Programs-Winter, Spring /In-Person	3		37	
Community Presentations on Vaping & Synthetic Marijuana				9
Nature and Adventure Days	35	115	890	1601
SMART Recovery Young Adult Group		2		15
Here4You Walk		3	65	76
Hebron Days	15	9	234	368
Coffee/Cocoa with a Cop		1		46
Annual Concert-Runa		9		100
Take Back Events		23		224
Total:	125	184	1504	2645
GRAND TOTAL	617	237		
Columbia Residents Served*		854		

This past year we were able to once again provide many services to area residents as COVID restrictions were lifted. We welcomed this opportunity to serve Columbia residents with a variety of services and programs. Columbia residents accessed services, programs, events and supports provided by AHM **854** times in individual, small group and/or large group settings. Families often receive multiple services from our agency.



Columbia Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.

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July 1, 2022

Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

The Columbia Volunteer Fire Department Inc. responded to 765 calls for service during the fiscal year of 2021-2022, which is the second highest volume of calls in its history. Post pandemic times, our call volume continues to increase as the world tries to return to some form of normalcy. The department committed 3,753 hours of training for continuing education and practicing our skills so we can deliver the safest and best service to the community we serve.

Throughout the country volunteerism is down, and we are not immune to this. Volunteer fire departments are suffering from decreased recruitment and retention. We encourage citizens to come see what your local fire department does and how rewarding it can be to give back to your community. Please visit our web page for more information regarding applications and our cadet program at www.columbiafire5.org

This year the fire department will celebrate 75 years of dedicated service to the town. On October 1, 2022, the fire department will be hosting an event to honor this occasion along with past/present/future members of the department. We invite all members of the community to join in celebrating with us. Such activities will include an open house, touch a truck, kid bounce house, kid obstacle course, food trucks, DJ, live band, and much more.

Columbia Fire Chief

Stephen Postemsky

**SAXTON B. LITTLE LIBRARY
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Saxton B. Little Free Library Report for 2021-2022

Although the Library was able to open its doors more this past year, COVID-19 still affected all of us. Programs were held outside and via Zoom. Curbside pick-ups remained an option. Health and safety remained a primary objective and posed unique challenges. At times we had to have unexpected closures. However, throughout the year, SBL sought out the best possible ways to provide public service safely for our community and staff, and we continued to innovate in these unprecedented times.

Mission Statement: The Saxton B. Little Free Library provides and promotes excellent services, programs, and materials that inform, educate, and enrich all citizens.

Normal Hours

M, F and Sat. 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
T, W and TH 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Closed on Saturday during July and August and holidays

Library Board Officers and Directors 2021-2022

President	Denise Egan
Vice President	Jennifer Bright
Treasurer	Sue Desrosiers
Recording Secretary	Connie Tormey
Trustee	Debby Smith
Member	Beth Cheney
Member	Shirley King
Member	Serafin Lopez
Member	Erin O'Neil-Baker
Member	Mary Gill Lake
Member	Jackie Bassos
Member	Peter Meshanic

Staffing

Library Director	Su Epstein
Adult Services Librarian	Caitlyn Orlomoski
Children's Services Librarian	Megan Quigley
Technical Services Librarian	Rosanna Longenbaker
Library Assistants	
	Barbara Quigley
Kimberly Calande	Pam Robbins
Sabrina Calande	Andy Papa
Elaine Lawless (sub)	Keri Sholes
Joanne Malchiodi (sub)	Cindy Wilkinson

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Friends of the Library
Officers 2021-2022

President	Toni Ellzey
Vice President	Alice Hare
Secretary	Laurie Rogers
Treasurer	Diane Reitz –Savage

As always, the Saxton B. Little Library owes a great debt of thanks to the Friends of the Library. Despite the circumstances of COVID-19 which severely limited their fundraising activities, the Friends of the Library continued to support the Library in a multitude of ways. Over the past year their contributions included, but were not limited to, the following:

- Donated funds for children’s and adult programming, Library events, and materials.
- Provided funds for museum passes such as Mystic Seaport, Roger Williams Park Zoo, the Carousel Museum, the Florence Griswold Museum, and more – places which remained open and accessible.
- Provided discounts on books and media for Friends members.
- Engaged in fundraising for the Library, including the ongoing Book Nook in the Library foyer.
- Sponsored membership in the Connecticut Library Consortium, allowing for over \$60,000 in savings on Library purchases.

The Library also wishes to thank our supporters who have Friends memberships. It was due to your membership fees that the Friends were able to support us, and, in turn, we were able to offer services.

Acknowledgments

- The Board and staff of SBL wish to thank our patrons who continued to use the Library throughout the year and who continued to come back as we continued our new path to ‘normal.’
- The Library thanks all those who offered financial support by donating to “PigBee” and participated in our Annual Giving Campaign.
- The Board and staff thank those who volunteer. This past year we were happy to return to some of our in-house volunteer positions.

Maureen Allen
Toni Ellzey
Pat Gallagher

Brenda Judkins
Rohan Johnson

- Thanks to Sabrina C., illustrator for the 2021-22 Saxton Mouse Calendar.
- The Library thanks Dan Johnson for his help with various issues over the past year.

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Library Statistics

Due to COVID-19, all libraries in the State saw dramatic changes in circulation and use patterns. Most saw their statistics halved due to the circumstances. SBL was no exception. We are pleased that the recovery in the past year, although still not back to normal, was greater than anticipated.

Circulation

- Circulation for the 2021-2022 year increased over 13,000, 49% over last year, indicating that we are in fact on the road to more normal living.
- Annual circulation for 2021-2022: 39,614.
- For the 2021-2022 year, of the 39,614 items circulated: 37,812 were physical items from on-site, and 1,802 were electronic downloads.
- Electronic downloads include: 1,350 e-Audiobooks, 374 eBooks, and 78 music files; this represents only 4.5% of our total circulation for the year. This is half of electronic checkouts from last year. eBooks are less than one percent of our total circulation.
- Of the 37,812 physical items: 1,378 were audiobooks and music, 6,931 were DVDs/Blu-rays, 1,202 were magazines, 111 items were miscellaneous items (Roku, Hotspots, museum passes, Saxton's Stuff, laptop), and 28,190 items were physical books.
- While Saxton B. Little Free Library items circulated to locations throughout the state, nearly 29,808 (84%) items were to full-time Columbia residents. 100% of electronic items circulate to Columbia residents. The remaining items include circulation to out-of-town people visiting Columbia and Interlibrary Loans.
- 27,093 adult or YA materials were circulated, and 12,410 children's materials were circulated. The remaining 111 items include but are not limited to: Hotspots, Roku, Makerspace items, and other equipment.
- We requested 1,228 items for our patrons from other libraries, and 1,756 items were requested from us by others.

Collection

- Currently the Library's physical collection is 70,126 items. This includes print materials, audio and visual materials, music, magazines, museum passes, hot spots, Roku, makerspace materials, and other circulating equipment, such as Saxton's Stuff. This figure also includes items not permanently held by the Saxton B. Little Free Library. Approximately 500 items are not part of the Saxton B. Little Free Library's permanent collection but are "borrowed" from the Connecticut State Library system. This count does NOT include titles available electronically.
- The Library provides access to electronic formats through three providers: Freeding/Freegal (eBooks & music), Overdrive/Libby (eBooks & eAudiobooks),

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- and the State of CT's Palace Project, formerly known as Simply-E (eBooks & e-Audiobooks).
- The Library subscribes to an online music service, Freegal, which offers patrons access to thousands of downloadable and streaming music of all genres.
 - The Library circulates two Roku, three Wi-Fi Hotspots, and fourteen museum passes.
 - A Traditional Maker's Space was created in 2017 to circulate and share handcraft items such as knitting needles, crochet hooks, small looms, etc.
 - In 2021, a Library of items was created, named Saxton's Stuff. The Saxton's Stuff collection has 40 items ranging from pickle ball and Frisbee golf sets to portable inflator, power washer, stud finder, to telescopes and microscopes.
 - Library materials are supplemented through Interlibrary Loan, a program that allows all State residents to check out material from any library in the state.
 - The OPAC (Online Public Access Catalog) was searched 74,507 times.

Community

- The Library received a second unprecedented year for donations/Annual Giving; again, we thank all who participated.
- During this entire year, the Library remained physically open to the public 51 hours per week for six days per week for the entire year.
- Because of the pandemic circumstances, the Library maintained Saturday hours throughout the summer of 2021.
- For three-quarters of the 2021-2022 year, the Library suspended all fines and copier/fax/print fees.
- Due to COVID, we continued offering curbside pick-up, with 61 participants.
- The Library has 3,231 registered patrons. 179 new patrons were added this year.
- We distribute three electronic newsletters. Each newsletter has consistently over 448 subscribers. The Library has 790 Facebook followers, an increase from last year. Instagram has 33 followers since its start in the Spring.
- Initially, when we could not offer our programming room, we held programs via Zoom. We also offered space for Zoom meetings. Later in the year, we offered hybrid programming, both Zoom and 'live.' Over the year, we had 639 participants who utilized over 500 hours of meeting participation.
- Our Library continued its partnership with Our Companions Animal Rescue of Ashford, CT for our summer reading Read for Feed program, in which youth and adults could donate food to the shelter in lieu of earning prizes for reading. For youth, one can of food was earned for every hour read. A total of 445 cans of food were donated, nearly double last year's participation.
- In addition to the Library's sponsored book groups, we have provided access to multiple copies for other community book groups.

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Programming

- The Library offered 286 programs during the 2021-2022 year. This included 44 story time sessions and 39 Baby Bee sessions, and an additional 34 youth programs, including book groups. 169 adult programs were offered, including book groups. Many of these occurred outside.
- Programs sponsored for seniors, adults, teens, children, and infants, included five adult book groups, two youth book groups, guest authors, craft making, musical performances, and educational and informational sessions.
- The Library continued to offer Take and Make kits, which served over 223 adults and 724 youth participants.
- Children's programming attendance was approximately 1,800; adult programming attendance was 1,010.
- The Library saw 3,757 total participants over the year.
- Library programs were noted online, in local newspapers, and through our newsletters. Despite the Zoom location, as in the past, the Library hosted nationally recognized performers and authors as well as staff-run events.
- During the summer of 2021, our *Tails and Tales* program registered 150 youth. This year we did not formally register adults, but adults participated in Library Lingo. Participants earned tickets by completing literary tasks for their own Lingo Raffle; Adult Lingo blocks completed totaled 393; Youth Lingo blocks completed totaled 619. All youth continued to participate in the Read for Feed program, with 445 cans donated. 85 youth qualified to adopt a stuffed animal 'pet' (eight hours of reading); 57 earned a book dedication (twelve hours of reading).
- The *Columbia Stitchers* knitting/crochet group met weekly.
- The *Columbia Writers*, a support group for published and new writers, met twice monthly.
- This year we started a new on-going program, *Spice Club*, in which participants receive a sample spice on the first of the month and discuss their experiences with it on the fourth Monday.

Service

- The Library continued to serve as a centralized location for curated COVID information.
- The Library has provided charging stations at various locations throughout the Library.
- SBL implemented acceptance of any major credit card.
- Staff provided instruction for Zoom use and Zoom meeting space.
- Staff offered instruction for at-home browsing of our shelves.
- The Library offered instruction for contactless requests of materials and offered contactless means for pick-up of materials.
- Library staff provided individualized recommendations via our Tailored Titles service, Virtual Appointments, and Grab bag selections of materials for our patrons.

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- Fax, photocopying, scan to disc, and printing services were offered.
- Patrons should watch our shelves for “shelf talker” signs, suggesting staff favorites.
- The Library provided free access to hotspots, Rokus, and laptops for circulation, as well as free internet and Wi-Fi from outside our building.
- The Library distributed tax forms and other public interest and community documents and information, such as providing a community bulletin board and access to local publications.

- The Library opened its programming room to outside groups.
- The Library offers voter registration forms and free mailing of completed applications.
- Information about the Library and our programs are shared through articles in Columbia Views, the town electronic newsletter, posting on public access cable, the Library’s website, email newsletter, the Library’s Facebook page, and electronic and physical publications in the Library.
- The Library provided individualized training and assistance for electronic devices, including but not limited to eBook and e-Audiobook download, email, etc.
- In cooperation with the State of Connecticut Library and neighboring libraries, SBL provided not only interlibrary loans, but free returns for materials to other libraries in state.

Notables

- The Library continued to remain open all of its hours and follow CDC guidelines for health and safety during the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.
- We increased our public access to electronic device chargers.
- The Library received an ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) grant (\$16,185).
- We developed new program and increased services (Spice Club, Saxton’s Stuff, Read Around the Library Challenge).
- The Library received a grant from the Savings Bank of Manchester (Summer Reading Program: \$4000).
- The Library received an American Library Association Libraries Transforming Communities grant (\$3000)
- Thanks to the generous support from the Columbia Lions Club, the Library received a grant which enabled the purchase of 41 Large Print books.
- The Way Back Gallery and Main Gallery space hosted several Artists from around the State.
- Saxton Mouse received his own mail box, and started answering patron questions and letters.
- Library Director Su Epstein continues to serve on the editorial board of two international professional journals. She is an active member in the Eastern CT Library Director’s Roundtable and attended several professional development webinars. She

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served as grant reviewer for the American Library Association’s NASA partnership grant, NASA@Your Library.

- Children’s Librarian Megan Quigley, Adult Services Librarian Caitlyn Orlomoski, and Technical Services Librarian Rosanna Longenbaker attended various regional meetings and conferences for professional development (via Zoom).
- Children’s Librarian Megan Quigley served on the Connecticut Nutmeg Committee.

Fiscal Report

The FY 2021-2022 remained a challenge. The Library did not charge overdue fines or copier/fax fees for the majority of this year, though we did accept donations for these services. We also found that we had increased expenses in some area (supplies) but reduced expenses in other areas (janitorial services). Our cleaning service contract increased. However, we also were awarded an ARPA grant that allowed us to purchase cleaning supplies, etc. outside of our normal operating budget.

<u>Saxton B. Little Free Library</u>			
2021-2022 Financial Statement			
<u>Operating Expenditures</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>		
	Town Grant & Library Income	Designated & Grant Expenditure	Total Expenditures
Salary and Wages	255,159		255,160
P/R Taxes & Benefits	55,344		55,344
Cleaning Contract	12,420		12,420
Administrative	17,150	1,189	18,097
Library Supplies & Furniture	8,689	212	8,902
Utilities, Telephone	15,259		15,259
Materials (adult & children’s)	42,281	4,740	47,022
Audio-Visual (adult & children’s)	8,632	1,500	10,133
Programs & Services (adult & children’s)	4,025	8,359	12,384
Periodicals & Newspapers	3,602		3,602
Computer Service & Equipment	9,806		9,806
<u>Total Operating Expenditures</u>	<u>\$432,367</u>	<u>\$16,000</u>	<u>\$448,129</u>
Additional Expenditures:			
Allocated for upcoming Technology needs	2,223		

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<u>Total Expenditures</u>	<u>\$ 434,590</u>		
<u>Operating Revenues</u>			
Town Grant	421,428		
State Grant	841		
Library Income*	2,220		
Fundraising*	10,101		
<u>Total Operating Revenue</u>	<u>\$ 434,590</u>		
* Note: Monies received may be designated.			
<u>Earnings / (Shortfall)</u>	<u>Current</u>		
	<u>\$0</u>		
<u>Designated Funds*</u>			
	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenditures*</u>	
Friends	0	3,007	
Memorials-Materials	2,718	4,357	
Investment Dividends	850	850	
Grant funding**	23,185	24,567	
<u>Total Designated/Inv. Revenues</u>	<u>\$26,753</u>	<u>\$32,781</u>	
<p>*note – expenditures may be higher than revenue because of deferred monies or lesser because of designated requests. ** Grant funding this year includes ARPA Covid relief funding, designated for particular items not in the operating budget.</p>			



United Services, Inc.

Creating healthy communities

TOWN OF COLUMBIA SERVICES PROVIDED TO TOWN RESIDENTS July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

PARTIAL LISTING OF SERVICES	RESIDENT CONTACTS	NUMBER OF VISITS/ CONTACTS
<i>Adult Outpatient Services & Addiction Recovery Services</i> – outpatient treatment for adults, including special services for individuals with serious mental illness. Treatment and counseling for persons addicted to alcohol or drugs, gambling and other problem behaviors. Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid or Alcohol Dependence.	19	121
<i>Crisis Response Services</i> – Emergency response and crisis intervention for mental health and substance abuse problems for all ages. Includes mobile response to home, school, etc.	5	9
<i>Senior Services</i> – Specialized outreach and engagement services for the senior population.	1	19
<i>Child Guidance Clinic</i> – family-centered treatment for children and their families, including evidence-based interventions for trauma.	14	105
<i>Psychiatric Services</i> – medical services for adults, adolescents and children, visits including specialized medication evaluations and monitoring, consultation and therapy.	10	62
<i>Recovery Pathways</i> - services and support for optimal functioning in the community for individuals with serious mental illnesses, the elderly, and the homeless.	6	76
TOTAL SERVICES PROVIDED IN ALL PROGRAMS	57	505

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*Financial
Reports*

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
for the year ending June 30, 2022

GENERAL FUND (10)

Balance June 30, 2021

Cash and Cash Equivalent	5,353,052	
Short Term Investment Fund	1,029,533	
Due from (to) Others (restated)	(1,267,516)	
		5,115,069

Receipts:

Property Taxes	14,843,160	
Licenses, Fees and Permits	217,905	
Intergovernmental Revenues	2,472,170	
Charges for Services	25,860	
Other Revenue	203,997	
Interest on Investments	5,395	
		17,768,488

Fund Transfers:

From (to) Capital Reserve Fund	(438,646)	
From (to) Dog Fund	(10,000)	
From (to) Internal Service Fund	(10,000)	
From (to) Szegda Farm Fund	(3,000)	
From (to) BOE Nonlapsing Fund	-	
From (to) Recreation Activities Fund	8,827	
From (to) Other Funds	(88,700)	
Allocation for Subs Year's Budget		(541,519)

Disbursements:

Board of Selectmen	4,166,285	
Board of Selectmen - Debt Service	-	
Board of Education	12,642,649	
		16,808,934

Balance June 30, 2022

Cash and Cash Equivalent	6,093,176	
Short Term Investment Fund	573,900	
Due from (to) Others	(1,133,972)	
		5,533,105

GENERAL FUND (Non-Committed Funds)	5,533,105
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
for the year ending June 30, 2022

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (20)

Balance June 30, 2021		
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-	
Short Term Reserve Fund	1,073,531	
Due from (to) Others	-	
		1,073,531
Receipts:		
Interest on Investments	3,944	
Transfers from General Fund	513,646	
Transfers from Town Aid Road Funds	245,162	
		762,752
Disbursements:		
Expenditures on Projects	580,169	
Transfers to Other Funds		
		580,169
Balance June 30, 2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-	
Short Term Investment Fund	1,269,202	
Prepaid Services/Donations	(13,088)	
Due from (to) Others		
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND		1,256,114

HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM (22)

Balance June 30, 2021		
Cash and Cash Equivalent	53,828	
		53,828
Receipts:		
Housing Rehab Loan Repayments	1,808	
Transfers from General Fund	-	
		1,808
Disbursements:		
Loan Expenditures	-	
Transfers to Other Funds	-	
		-
Balance June 30, 2022		
Cash and Cash Equivalent	55,636	
HOUSING REHABILITATION LOAN PROGRAM		55,636

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BOARD OF EDUCATION NONLAPSING ACCOUNT (23)

Balance June 30, 2021			
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-		
Short Term Investment Fund	-		
Due To (From) Others	300,000		
			300,000
Receipts:			
Transfers from General Fund	-		-
Disbursements:			
Expenditures	-		
Transfers to Other Funds	-		-
Balance June 30, 2022			
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-		
Short Term Investment Fund	-		
Due To (From) Others	300,000		
			300,000
BOE NONLAPSING ACCOUNT			300,000

AMERICAN RELIEF FUNDS (24)

Balance June 30, 2021			
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-		
Short Term Investment Fund	795,961		
Deferred Revenue	(795,961)		
			-
Receipts:			
American Relief Funds	402,985		
Interest on Investment	9		402,994
Disbursements:			
Expenditures	402,985		
Transfers to Other Funds	-		402,985
Balance June 30, 2022			
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-		
Short Term Investment Fund	394,953		
Deferred Revenue	(394,944)		
			9
AMERICAN RELIEF FUNDS			9

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DOG FUND (30)

Balance June 30, 2021	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-
Short Term Investment Fund	12,194
Due To (From) Others	(3,386)
	8,808
Receipts:	
Interest on Investments	29
Miscellaneous	-
Licenses Fees & Surcharges	1,702
Dog Redemptions & Sales	-
Transfers from General Fund	16,200
	17,931
Disbursements:	
Expenditures on Projects	19,755
Transfers to Other Funds	-
	19,755
Balance June 30, 2022	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-
Short Term Investment Fund	10,800
Due To (From) Others	(3,816)
	6,984
DOG FUND	6,984

LAND ACQUISITION/OPEN SPACE FUND (35)

Balance June 30, 2021	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-
Short Term Investment Fund	24,089
Due To (From) Others	-
	24,089
Receipts:	
Interest on Investments	71
Open Space Contribution	1,000
Transfer from Reserve Fund	-
	1,071
Disbursements:	
Expenditures on Projects	-
Transfers to Other Funds	-
	-
Balance June 30, 2022	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	-
Short Term Investment Fund	25,161
Due To (From) Others	-
	25,161
LAND ACQUISITION	25,161

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TOWN AID ROADS (41)

Balance June 30, 2021

Cash and Cash Equivalent	-	
Inventory	-	
Due from (to) Others	39,930	
		39,930

Receipts:

Intergovernmental Revenues	205,292	
Other Revenue	-	
		205,292

Disbursements:

Expenditures on Projects	-	
Transfers to Other Funds	245,162	
		245,162

Balance June 30, 2022

Cash and Cash Equivalent	-	
Short Term Investment Fund	-	
Due To (From) Others	60	
		60

TOWN AID ROADS	60
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Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Revenue
Budget Basis

Description	Final 21/22 Budget	Actual	Differences Over(Under)
General Fund			
Taxes			
110 Current Prop Taxes	14,347,750	14,735,150	387,400
115 Refunds-Current Taxes	(20,000)	(55,710)	(35,710)
117 Refunds-Prior FY Taxes	(4,000)	(2,061)	1,939
120 Delinquent Prop Taxes	90,000	100,537	10,537
130 Prop Tax Interest	60,000	63,485	3,485
140 Prop Tax Lien Fees	900	480	(420)
150 Other Fees - Tax Collector	500	1,280	780
Total Taxes	14,475,150	14,843,160	368,010
Licenses, Fees and Permits			
221 Real Estate Conveyance	60,000	94,753	34,753
222 Bldg. Mech. Septic Permits	57,000	90,345	33,345
223 Zoning Permit Fees	2,000	2,565	565
224 Recording Fees	21,000	27,442	6,442
225 Pistol Permit Fees	3,500	2,800	(700)
Total Licenses, Fees and Permits	143,500	217,905	74,405
Intergovernmental Revenue			
320 Homeland Security Grant	2,500	1,711	(789)
352 Education Equalization Grant	2,255,635	2,310,989	55,354
353 Special Education Grant	35,000	87,499	52,499
364 Disabled Persons Tax Grant	-	593	593
365 Veterans Tax Grant	-	3,050	3,050
368 Muncipal Projects/Stabilization Grant	55,156	55,156	-
382 Pmt in Lieu Tax-State Property	6,366	6,366	-
383 Manshantucket Pequot PILOT	4,857	4,857	-
685 LoCIP Reimbursement	80,106	-	(80,106)
686 STEAP Reimbursement	-	1,948	1,948
Total Intergovernmental Revenue	2,439,620	2,472,170	32,550
Charges for Services			
410 Notary Fees	350	176	(174)
411 Photocopy Fees	5,000	7,309	2,309
412 Passport Fees	2,000	1,295	(705)
413 Planning & Zoning Fees	2,500	1,950	(550)
414 Zoning Board of Appeals Fees	1,500	175	(1,325)
415 Inland/Wetland Fees	3,000	6,400	3,400
416 Town Clerk Fees	4,500	7,142	2,642
Total Charges for Services	18,850	24,447	5,597

Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Revenue
Budget Basis

Description	Final 21/22 Budget	Actual	Differences Over(Under)
Other Revenue			
417 Senior Center Van Services	1,500	2,708	1,208
510 Court Fines/Judgements	2,800	930	(1,870)
611 Interest on Investments	7,500	5,395	(2,105)
621 Facilities Rental	2,000	400	(1,600)
622 Boating Fees	2,500	4,125	1,625
623 Town Beach Use	30,000	31,489	1,489
625 Transfer Station Fees	28,000	32,807	4,807
626 Transfer Station Sticker Fees	38,000	43,950	5,950
642 Bid and Spec Fees	-	-	-
650 State Fees - Land Use Dept	200	429	229
660 Telephone Access Grant	8,500	8,370	(130)
680 Preschool Tuition Fees	40,000	66,672	26,672
690 Miscellaneous	8,000	13,530	5,530
Total Other Revenue	169,000	210,806	41,806
Other Financing Sources			
675 Transfers In from Other Funds	10,000	8,827	(1,173)
Total Other Financing Sources	10,000	8,827	(1,173)
Total Revenues for General Fund	17,256,120	17,777,315	521,195
Reserved Funds			
20 Reserved Fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures			
611 Interest on Investments	1,800	3,944	2,144
675 Transfers In from Other Funds	683,808	758,808	75,000
Total Res'd Fund for Capital and Non-Recur Exps	685,608	762,752	77,144
Other Government Funds			
22 Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program			
345 Program Income	-	1,808	1,808
Total Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program	-	1,808	1,808
23 BOE Nonlapsing Account			
675 Transfer In from General Fund	-	-	-
Total BOE Nonlapsing Account	-	-	-
24 American Relief Funds			
311 Transfer In from General Fund	-	402,985	402,985
611 Interest on Investments	-	9	9
Total American Relief Funds	-	402,994	402,994
27 Internal Service Fund			
675 Transfer In from General Fund	10,000	17,500	7,500

Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Revenue
Budget Basis

Description	Final 21/22 Budget	Actual	Differences Over(Under)
Total Internal Service Fund	<u>10,000</u>	<u>17,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>
28 Community Garden/Szegda Farm			
190 Community Garden	-	520	520
191 Maintenance of Szegda Farm	-	-	-
675 Transfer In from General Fund	3,000	3,000	-
Total Community Garden/Szegda Farm	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,520</u>	<u>520</u>
29 Recreation Activities Fund			
100 Adult Programs	-	9,401	9,401
110 Educational Programs	-	-	-
120 Fundraisers	-	1,639	1,639
121 Beach	-	700	700
130 Youth	-	9,600	9,600
140 Donations	-	-	-
Total Recreation Activities Fund	<u>-</u>	<u>21,340</u>	<u>21,340</u>
30 Dog Fund			
224 Dog License Fees	1,200	1,587	387
225 Dog License Surcharge	60	115	55
690 Miscellaneous	-	-	-
421 Dog Redemption and Sale	40	-	(40)
611 Investment Earnings	-	29	29
675 Transfer In from General Fund	10,000	16,200	6,200
Total Dog Fund	<u>11,300</u>	<u>17,931</u>	<u>6,631</u>
31 Historic Document Preservation			
313 Historic Document Preservation Grant	-	5,500	5,500
651 Historic Document Fees	-	1,454	1,454
Total Historic Document Preservation	<u>-</u>	<u>6,954</u>	<u>6,954</u>
33 Social Services Needs			
691 Donations/Contributions	-	7,738	7,738
Total Social Service Needs	<u>-</u>	<u>7,738</u>	<u>7,738</u>
34 Local Council on Prevention (SERAC)			
691 Donations/Contributions	-	4,926	4,926
35 Open Space Land Acquisition			
611 Interest Income	-	71	71
010 Open Space Donations/Contributions	-	1,000	1,000
Total Open Space Land Acquisition	<u>-</u>	<u>1,071</u>	<u>1,071</u>

Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Revenue
Budget Basis

Description	Final 21/22 Budget	Actual	Differences Over(Under)
36 Senior Center			
240 Sr Ctr Grants/Donations	-	-	-
813 Senior Center Special Items	-	5,524	5,524
Total Senior Center	<u>-</u>	<u>5,524</u>	<u>5,524</u>
38 Rec Facilities			
611 Interest Income	-	15	15
690 Rec Facilities/Fence Rentals	-	1,300	1,300
Total Rec Field Fence Rentals	<u>-</u>	<u>1,315</u>	<u>1,315</u>
41 Improved Road Fund			
756 Town Aid Roads-Impr Rd	205,232	205,292	60
Total Improved Road	<u>205,232</u>	<u>205,292</u>	<u>60</u>
56 Brand Memorial Trust			
611 Interest Income	-	28	28
691 Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Total Brand Memorial Trust	<u>-</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>
58 and 59 Land Preservation Fund			
224/690 Land Protection Fees (Town Clerk & Town)	<u>-</u>	<u>16,302</u>	<u>16,302</u>
60 Trust Funds			
611 Interest Income	-	1	1
612 Contributions/Donations	-	-	-
Total Rec Field Fence Rentals	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Education Funds			
Education Grants	297,839	364,131	66,292
Total Education Funds	<u>297,839</u>	<u>364,131</u>	<u>66,292</u>
Total Other Governmental Funds	<u>527,371</u>	<u>1,078,374</u>	<u>551,003</u>
Grand Total General Fund, Reserve Fund, and Other Governmental Funds	<u>18,469,099</u>	<u>19,618,442</u>	<u>1,149,343</u>

Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Operating Expenditures
Budget vs. Actual
Budget Basis

Dept	Description	2021-2022 Initial Budget	Budget Transfers	2021-2022 Revised Budget	2021-2022 Expenditures	2021-2022 Encum- brances	Remaining
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
110	TOWN MEETING						
	Board of Selectmen						
120	Telephone Communications	1,351		1,351	1,351	-	0
130	Legal Notices	1,500		1,500	1,382	-	118
		<u>2,851</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,851</u>	<u>2,732</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>119</u>
112	EXECUTIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries	179,852	6,730	186,582	186,359	-	223
12	Auto Allowance	3,600	-	3,600	3,600	-	-
20	Payroll Taxes	136,000	2,300	138,300	138,286	-	14
22	Unemployment Comp	5,000	(2,300)	2,700	184	-	2,516
30	Worker's Compensation	25,000	(5,027)	19,973	19,966	-	7
40	Group Insurance	318,724	(15,679)	303,045	292,204	-	10,841
50	Pension Expense	107,500	-	107,500	104,364	-	3,136
60	457 Employer Match	46,500	-	46,500	43,490	-	3,010
110	Postage	3,000	-	3,000	2,910	-	90
120	Telephone/Communication	6,284	-	6,284	6,056	-	228
130	Legal Notices	2,000	2,200	4,200	2,539	-	1,661
140	Advertising	750	(9)	741	498	-	243
230	Electricity	13,200	-	13,200	12,544	-	656
240	Fuel	3,500	1,076	4,576	4,575	-	1
300	General Supplies	3,450	(254)	3,196	1,802	-	1,394
420	Grants & Subsidies	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-	-
421	Town Historian	695	-	695	613	-	82
422	Econ Devel Comm	650	-	650	430	-	220
460	Commercial Insurance	35,000	4,177	39,177	39,177	-	0
500	Professional/Tech	500	-	500	365	-	135
520	Printing	2,600	(226)	2,374	960	-	1,414
550	Misc Services/Chgs	250	-	250	59	-	192
600	Repairs/Maintenance	50	-	50	-	-	50
710	Professional Improvement	270	-	270	-	-	270
720	Professional Dues	12,068	-	12,068	11,994	-	74
750	Conferences/Seminars	500	-	500	389	-	111
770	Transportation	500	-	500	295	-	205
811	Mach/Equip <\$5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>912,443</u>	<u>(7,012)</u>	<u>905,431</u>	<u>878,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,773</u>
113	INFORMATION/TECHNOLOGY						
	Town Network						
300	Supplies	4,500	-	4,500	3,634	-	866
500	Professional/Tech	38,000	-	38,000	24,249	-	13,751
515	Contracted Services	19,500	-	19,500	16,319	-	3,181
600	Repairs/Maintenance	500	-	500	-	-	500
811	Mach/Equip < \$5000	10,000	-	10,000	4,083	-	5,917
		<u>72,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,500</u>	<u>48,285</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,215</u>
115	OLD FIREHOUSE BUILDING						
	Board of Selectmen						
120	Telephone/Communications	600	135	735	723	-	12
230	Electricity	2,000	-	2,000	1,847	-	153
240	Fuel	500	(135)	365	-	-	365
		<u>3,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,100</u>	<u>2,570</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>530</u>
116	CHAPEL ON THE GREEN						
	Board of Selectmen						
230	Electricity	3,000	-	3,000	1,959	-	1,041
600	Repairs/Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>3,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>1,959</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,041</u>
117	HISTORY PLACE						
	Board of Selectmen						
120	Telephone	1,536	-	1,536	1,440	-	96
230	Electricity	2,200	-	2,200	1,888	-	312
240	Fuel	600	-	600	392	-	208
600	Repairs/Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>4,336</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,336</u>	<u>3,719</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>617</u>

Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Operating Expenditures
Budget vs. Actual
Budget Basis

Dept	Description	2021-2022 Initial Budget	Budget Transfers	2021-2022 Revised Budget	2021-2022 Expenditures	2021-2022 Encum- brances	Remaining
120	JUDICIAL & LEGAL						
	Board of Selectmen						
500	Professional/Technical	55,000	-	55,000	32,064	-	22,936
		<u>55,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,000</u>	<u>32,064</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,936</u>
130	REGISTRATION & ELECTION						
	Registrars of Voters						
10	Salaries-Election	15,614	-	15,614	6,856	-	8,758
16	Salaries-Election Workers	7,929	(100)	7,829	2,290	-	5,539
110	Postage	540	80	620	620	-	0
130	Legal Notices	180	-	180	139	-	41
300	General Supplies	2,140	-	2,140	964	-	1,176
500	Professional/Technical	2,325	-	2,325	928	-	1,397
515	Contracted Services	675	-	675	675	-	-
520	Printing	3,300	-	3,300	964	-	2,336
550	Misc Services/Chgs	80	-	80	60	-	20
720	Professional Dues	170	20	190	190	-	-
750	Conferences/Seminars	1,000	-	1,000	360	-	640
770	Transportation	207	-	207	138	-	69
		<u>34,160</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,160</u>	<u>14,185</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,975</u>
132	ASSESSMENT						
	Assessor						
10	Salaries	123,695	(4,630)	119,065	114,635	-	4,430
110	Postage	690	-	690	146	-	544
130	Legal Notices	250	-	250	-	-	250
300	General Supplies	2,500	-	2,500	1,083	-	1,417
500	Professional/Technical	14,440	299	14,739	14,738	-	1
515	Contracted Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
710	Professional Improvement	2,400	(299)	2,101	300	-	1,801
720	Professional Dues	620	-	620	535	-	85
750	Conferences/Seminars	1,000	-	1,000	46	-	954
770	Transportation	3,560	-	3,560	-	-	3,560
811	Mach/Equip < \$5000	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>149,155</u>	<u>(4,630)</u>	<u>144,525</u>	<u>131,484</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,041</u>
133	TAX COLLECTION						
	Tax Collector						
10	Salaries	65,659	-	65,659	63,809	-	1,850
110	Postage	850	-	850	844	-	6
130	Legal Notices	1,890	29	1,919	1,918	-	1
300	General Supplies	620	-	620	527	-	93
500	Professional/Technical	16,881	(434)	16,447	15,482	-	965
505	State DMV Fee-Delinquent Taxes	250	-	250	250	-	-
710	Professional Improvements	200	(180)	20	20	-	-
720	Professional Dues	150	-	150	95	-	55
750	Conferences/Seminars	475	210	685	685	-	-
770	Transportation	315	375	690	648	-	42
811	Mach/Equip < \$5000	-	879	879	878	-	1
		<u>87,290</u>	<u>879</u>	<u>88,169</u>	<u>85,156</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,013</u>
134	PUBLIC RECORDS SERVICES						
	Town Clerk						
10	Salaries	101,857	-	101,857	99,006	-	2,851
110	Postage	1,009	-	1,009	1,007	-	2
130	Legal Notices	4,000	-	4,000	3,316	-	684
300	General Supplies	3,505	-	3,505	2,299	-	1,206
500	Professional/Technical	8,870	-	8,870	8,170	-	700
515	Contracted Services	-	-	-	-	-	-
550	Miscellaneous Services/Chgs	50	(10)	40	-	-	40
600	Repairs/Maintenance	200	-	200	-	-	200
630	Rental	396	-	396	347	-	49
710	Professional Improvement	200	(5)	195	-	-	195
720	Professional Dues	230	10	240	240	-	-
750	Conferences/Seminars	1,000	5	1,005	1,005	-	1
770	Transportation	435	-	435	85	-	350
		<u>121,752</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>121,752</u>	<u>115,473</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,279</u>

Town of Columbia
2021-2022 Operating Expenditures
Budget vs. Actual
Budget Basis

Dept	Description	2021-2022 Initial Budget	Budget Transfers	2021-2022 Revised Budget	2021-2022 Expenditures	2021-2022 Encum- brances	Remaining
135	FINANCIAL PLANNING/AUDITING						
	Financial Planning and Allocation Commission						
110	Postage	800	-	800	460	-	340
130	Legal Notices	325	-	325	132	-	193
500	Professional/Technical	24,400	-	24,400	24,400	-	-
520	Printing	1,000	-	1,000	550	-	450
		<u>26,525</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,525</u>	<u>25,542</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>983</u>
136	FINANCE DEPARTMENT						
	Finance Director						
10	Salaries & Wages	193,906	-	193,906	193,079	-	827
110	Postage	2,500	-	2,500	1,475	-	1,025
300	General Supplies	2,500	-	2,500	700	-	1,800
500	Professional/Technical	33,000	-	33,000	30,724	-	2,276
550	Miscellaneous Svc/Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
600	Repairs/Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
710	Professional Improvement	500	-	500	65	-	435
720	Professional Dues	300	-	300	160	-	140
750	Conferences/Seminars	400	-	400	-	-	400
770	Transportation	325	-	325	268	-	57
811	Machinery/Equipment <\$5000	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>233,431</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>233,431</u>	<u>226,472</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,959</u>
140	BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEAL						
	Board of Assessment Appeal						
10	Salaries & Wages	430	430	860	741	-	119
110	Postage	60	5	65	65	-	0
130	Legal Notices	630	(29)	601	345	-	256
300	General Supplies	-	24	24	24	-	0
710	Professional Improvement	150	-	150	100	-	50
		<u>1,270</u>	<u>430</u>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>1,275</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>425</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		1,706,813	(10,333)	1,696,480	1,569,576	-	126,904
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES							
210	HEALTH CARE AND INSPECTION SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
500	Professional/Technical	31,680	-	31,680	30,580	-	1,100
		<u>31,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,680</u>	<u>30,580</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,100</u>
230	SOCIAL SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries & Wages	38,528	-	38,528	38,158	-	370
110	Postage	350	-	350	12	-	338
300	General Supplies	350	-	350	126	-	224
550	Professional/Technical	360	-	360	-	-	360
720	Professional Dues	100	-	100	80	-	20
750	Conferences/Seminars	200	-	200	-	-	200
770	Transportation	500	-	500	65	-	435
		<u>40,388</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,388</u>	<u>38,441</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,947</u>
250	ELDERLY SERVICES						
	Commission on Aging						
10	Salaries - Van Services	67,030	3,452	70,482	70,185	-	297
110	Postage	200	-	200	-	-	200
120	Telephone - Van Services	660	-	660	606	-	54
240	Fuel - Van Services	5,000	(422)	4,578	3,772	-	806
300	General Supplies	900	(67)	833	603	-	230
420	Grants & Subsidies	10,437	-	10,437	10,437	-	-
500	Professional/Technical	1,200	-	1,200	1,200	-	-
515	Contracted Services	7,179	-	7,179	7,179	-	0
540	Community Outreach	600	67	667	667	-	0
600	Repairs/Maint - Van Services	4,000	422	4,422	4,421	-	1
710	Professional Improvement	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>97,206</u>	<u>3,452</u>	<u>100,658</u>	<u>99,070</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,588</u>

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260	BECKISH SENIOR CENTER						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries	68,533	3,180	71,713	71,210	-	503
120	Telephone/Communication	1,380	-	1,380	1,334	-	46
230	Electricity	15,000	-	15,000	10,989	-	4,011
240	Fuel	12,190	(57)	12,133	9,859	757	1,518
300	General Supplies	1,450	-	1,450	717	-	733
515	Contracted Services	1,380	57	1,437	1,436	-	1
550	Miscellaneous Services/Chgs	244	-	244	244	-	-
600	Repairs/Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
710	Professional Improvement	380	-	380	-	-	380
720	Professional Dues	125	-	125	-	-	125
770	Transportation	850	-	850	203	-	647
		<u>101,532</u>	<u>3,180</u>	<u>104,712</u>	<u>95,993</u>	<u>757</u>	<u>7,962</u>
270	YOUTH SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
420	Grants & Subsidies	48,975	-	48,975	48,970	-	5
		<u>48,975</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,975</u>	<u>48,970</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5</u>
	TOTAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	319,781	6,632	326,413	313,054	757	12,602
	PUBLIC SAFETY						
310	POLICE PROTECTION						
	Board of Selectmen						
120	Telephone/Communication	-	-	-	-	-	-
500	Professional/Technical	182,000	-	182,000	178,997	-	3,003
600	Repairs/Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
811	Machinery/Equipment <\$5000	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>182,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>182,000</u>	<u>178,997</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,003</u>
320	FIRE FIGHTING AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
420	Grants & Subsidies	218,400	-	218,400	218,400	-	-
500	Professional/Technical	33,500	14,519	48,019	48,018	-	1
		<u>251,900</u>	<u>14,519</u>	<u>266,419</u>	<u>266,418</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
330	FIRE PREVENTION SERVICES						
	Fire Marshal						
10	Salaries	23,717	-	23,717	23,717	-	0
300	General Supplies	400	-	400	345	-	55
515	Contracted Services	1,400	-	1,400	807	-	593
710	Professional Improvement	600	-	600	74	-	527
720	Professional Dues	500	-	500	202	-	298
770	Transportation	600	-	600	444	-	156
811	Machinery/Equipment <\$5000	1,000	-	1,000	99	-	901
		<u>28,217</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,217</u>	<u>25,687</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,530</u>
345	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries	3,076	-	3,076	3,075	-	1
110	Postage	50	-	50	-	-	50
300	General Supplies	200	-	200	75	-	125
500	Professional/Technical	100	-	100	-	-	100
770	Emergency Management - Transportation	200	-	200	37	-	163
811	Mach/Equip < \$5,000	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
		<u>4,626</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,626</u>	<u>3,187</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,439</u>
350	LAKE MANAGEMENT SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries	18,071	37	18,108	18,107	-	1
120	Telephone/Communications	1,160	-	1,160	1,052	-	108
300	General Supplies	1,500	1,349	2,849	2,069	323	457
520	Printing	500	-	500	379	-	121
550	Miscellaneous Services/Chgs	-	-	-	-	-	-
600	Repairs/Maintenance	1,750	620	2,370	1,569	748	54
710	Professional Improvement	500	(186)	314	-	-	314
		<u>23,481</u>	<u>1,820</u>	<u>25,301</u>	<u>23,175</u>	<u>1,071</u>	<u>1,055</u>
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	490,224	16,339	506,563	497,465	1,071	8,027

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PUBLIC WORKS							
410	PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE SERVICES						
	Public Works Director						
10	Salaries	427,160	-	427,160	414,581	-	12,579
11	Salaries-OT	31,807	-	31,807	28,846	-	2,961
120	Telephone/Communication	3,904	-	3,904	2,671	-	1,233
230	Electricity	2,750	-	2,750	2,436	-	314
240	Fuel	32,972	1,685	34,657	31,611	2,978	68
300	General Supplies	4,200	-	4,200	3,153	-	1,047
500	Professional/Technical	7,850	(1,685)	6,165	1,697	-	4,468
515	Contracted Services	31,050	-	31,050	15,958	3,969	11,123
600	Repairs/Maintenance	102,050	8,337	110,387	90,044	4,371	15,973
610	Bldgs/Grounds Rep/Maint	13,603	663	14,266	14,265	-	1
630	Rental	4,120	-	4,120	2,681	-	1,439
710	Professional Development	500	-	500	100	-	400
720	Professional Dues	400	-	400	-	-	400
770	Transportation	75	-	75	-	-	75
		<u>662,441</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>671,441</u>	<u>608,044</u>	<u>11,317</u>	<u>52,080</u>
420	WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES						
	Public Works Director						
10	Salaries	44,371	-	44,371	39,267	-	5,104
11	Salaries-OT	1,584	-	1,584	229	-	1,355
110	Postage	425	(75)	350	230	-	120
230	Electricity	1,870	-	1,870	1,223	-	647
300	General Supplies	2,100	-	2,100	1,579	-	521
500	Professional/Technical	166,921	-	166,921	161,931	-	4,990
515	Contracted Services	6,850	-	6,850	1,096	-	5,754
520	Printing	200	75	275	275	-	-
600	Repairs/Maintenance	6,000	-	6,000	4,796	-	1,204
630	Rental	8,400	-	8,400	7,943	-	457
		<u>238,721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>238,721</u>	<u>218,569</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,152</u>
440	STREET LIGHTING						
	Board of Selectmen						
230	Electricity	13,500	-	13,500	8,753	-	4,747
		<u>13,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,500</u>	<u>8,753</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,747</u>
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		914,662	9,000	923,662	835,367	11,317	76,978
BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES							
510	PLANNING & ZONING SERVICES						
	Planning & Zoning Services						
10	Salaries	78,827	-	78,827	73,502	-	5,325
130	Legal Notices	3,200	-	3,200	2,387	-	813
500	Professional/Technical	1,500	-	1,500	1,067	-	433
550	Miscellaneous Services/Chgs	395	-	395	260	-	135
710	Professional Improvement	300	-	300	-	-	300
720	Professional Dues	510	-	510	365	-	145
750	Conferences/Seminars	700	-	700	55	-	645
770	Transportation	500	-	500	152	-	348
		<u>85,932</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,932</u>	<u>77,787</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,145</u>
520	INLAND WETLANDS ADMINISTRATION						
	Inland Wetlands Commission						
10	Salaries	19,740	17,300	37,040	37,001	-	39
130	Legal Notices	1,000	202	1,202	1,201	-	1
500	Professional/Technical	1,500	(376)	1,124	-	-	1,124
720	Professional Dues	160	-	160	65	-	95
750	Conferences/Seminars	100	25	125	125	-	-
770	Transportation	600	-	600	114	-	486
811	Machinery/Equipment <\$5000	-	149	149	148	-	1
		<u>23,100</u>	<u>17,300</u>	<u>40,400</u>	<u>38,654</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,746</u>

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530	BUILDING OFFICIAL/BUILDING MAINTENANCE						
	Building Official						
10	Salaries - Facilities	110,178	1,035	111,213	111,209	-	4
10	Salaries - Facilities OT	5,305	(1,429)	3,876	2,455	-	1,421
120	Telephone/Communication	792	-	792	792	-	-
240	Fuel	1,000	944	1,944	1,826	118	1
300	General Supplies	25,650	(1,775)	23,875	23,850	-	25
500	Professional/Technical	12,150	8,700	20,850	20,730	-	120
515	Contracted Services	19,490	(2,400)	17,090	16,520	-	570
520	Printing	300	-	300	142	-	158
720	Professional Dues	250	-	250	-	-	250
750	Conferences/Seminars	250	-	250	245	-	5
770	Transportation	1,400	-	1,400	1,400	-	-
811	Mach/Equip <\$5,000	8,600	(5,075)	3,525	3,188	-	337
		<u>185,365</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>185,365</u>	<u>182,357</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>2,890</u>
540	CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES						
	Conservation Commission						
300	General Supplies	200	-	200	-	-	200
500	Professional/Technical	380	-	380	-	-	380
720	Professional Dues	175	-	175	25	-	150
750	Conferences/Seminars	300	-	300	30	-	270
770	Transportation	200	-	200	-	-	200
		<u>1,255</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,255</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,200</u>
560	BUILDING APPEALS SERVICES						
	Building Code of Appeals						
130	Legal Notices	350	9	359	359	-	0
		<u>350</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>0</u>
570	LAND USE DEPARTMENT						
	Health/Inspection/Building/Wetlands						
10	Salaries	64,699	-	64,699	58,215	-	6,484
110	Postage	1,500	-	1,500	1,062	-	438
300	General Supplies	1,500	-	1,500	1,351	-	149
515	Contracted Services		1,940	1,940	1,611	-	329
710	Professional Improvement	625	-	625	-	-	625
		<u>68,324</u>	<u>1,940</u>	<u>70,264</u>	<u>62,239</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,025</u>
	TOTAL BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	364,326	19,249	383,575	361,451	118	22,006
RECREATION							
610	PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS						
	Board of Selectmen						
300	General Supplies	1,700	254	1,954	1,953	-	1
500	Professional/Technical	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	-	-
		<u>7,700</u>	<u>254</u>	<u>7,954</u>	<u>7,953</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
620	LIBRARY SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
420	Grants & Subsidies	421,428	-	421,428	421,428	-	-
		<u>421,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>421,428</u>	<u>421,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
630	LAKE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE						
	Lake Management Advisory Committee						
300	General Supplies	1,000	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
300	General Supplies	900	-	900	-	-	900
420	Grants & Subsidies	150	-	150	150	-	-
500	Professional/Technical	19,043	-	19,043	14,764	-	4,279
811	Mach/Equip < \$5,000	2,000	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
		<u>23,093</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,093</u>	<u>14,914</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,179</u>

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640	BEACH SERVICES						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries	37,703	(6,192)	31,511	28,301	-	3,210
110	Postage	250	-	250	230	-	20
120	Telephone/Communications	-	-	-	-	-	-
230	Electricity	1,320	92	1,412	1,411	-	1
240	Fuel	1,300	(92)	1,208	1,015	-	193
300	General Supplies	1,500	150	1,650	1,641	-	9
500	Professional/Technical	1,500	327	1,827	1,827	-	1
515	Contracted Services	300	(185)	115	35	-	80
520	Printing	300	-	300	275	-	25
600	Repairs/Maintenance	150	-	150	-	-	150
811	Mach/Equip<\$5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>44,323</u>	<u>(5,900)</u>	<u>38,423</u>	<u>34,734</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,689</u>
660	RECREATION AREA OPERATION						
	Board of Selectmen						
230	Electricity	1,200	(269)	931	895	-	36
300	General Supplies	400	605	1,005	1,005	-	0
515	Contracted Services	7,806	192	7,998	7,754	-	244
811	Mach/Equip<\$5,000	4,000	4,472	8,472	4,913	1,229	2,330
		<u>13,406</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>18,406</u>	<u>14,566</u>	<u>1,229</u>	<u>2,611</u>
670	RECREATION DEPARTMENT						
	Board of Selectmen						
10	Salaries	78,639	-	78,639	77,600	-	1,039
110	Postage	100	-	100	-	-	100
120	Telephone/Communications	792	1,500	2,292	2,131	-	161
140	Advertising	500	-	500	457	-	43
300	General Supplies	1,500	(80)	1,420	1,418	-	2
500	Professional/Technical	2,200	100	2,300	2,300	-	-
720	Professional Dues	105	-	105	105	-	-
750	Conferences/Seminars	600	(218)	382	-	-	382
770	Transportation	700	198	898	898	-	1
		<u>85,136</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>86,636</u>	<u>84,909</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,727</u>
TOTAL RECREATION		595,086	854	595,940	578,504	1,229	16,207
TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN		4,390,892	41,741	4,432,633	4,155,416	14,491	262,726
5100	EDUCATION SERVICES						
	Board of Education						
111E	Certified Salaries	4,752,966	(66,714)	4,686,252	4,686,252	-	-
112E	Non-Certified Salaries	1,083,629	90,811	1,174,440	1,174,440	-	-
210E	Employee Benefit-Hosp/Surg	1,181,963	(76,323)	1,105,640	1,105,640	-	-
211E	Employee Benefit-Group Life	8,310	(217)	8,094	8,094	-	-
213E	Social Security	80,000	4,500	84,500	84,500	-	-
214E	Medicare	85,000	274	85,274	85,274	-	-
250E	Unemployment	33,748	(29,631)	4,118	4,118	-	-
260E	Workers' Compensation	75,000	(4,211)	70,789	70,789	-	-
290E	Other Benefits	66,104	69	66,173	66,173	-	-
310E	Board of Education Services	25,000	25,224	50,224	50,224	-	0
320E	Instructional Improvement-Staff	6,388	(1,916)	4,472	4,472	-	-
330E	Professional Services	156,908	(9,698)	147,210	147,210	-	-
340E	Technical/Contracted Services	255,660	31,565	287,225	274,705	12,520	-
411E	Water/Sewage	6,500	(3,665)	2,835	2,835	-	-
421E	Sanitary Refuse	9,500	607	10,107	10,107	-	-
422E	Snowplowing	24,750	750	25,500	25,500	-	-
430E	Repairs/Maintenance	44,400	189,537	233,937	60,926	173,011	-
440E	Rental	33,500	(7,374)	26,126	26,126	-	-
510E	Pupil Transportation	793,712	(73,967)	719,745	719,745	-	-
520E	Property Insurance	63,500	(4,340)	59,160	59,160	-	-
530E	Telephone	8,000	2,237	10,237	10,237	-	0
531E	Postage	6,000	(3,919)	2,081	2,081	-	-
540E	Advertising	-	865	865	865	-	-
560E	Tuition	3,628,687	(319,799)	3,308,888	3,217,239	-	91,650
580E	Travel	5,495	(4,447)	1,048	1,048	-	-
610E	Supplies	93,694	98,404	192,098	163,536	28,562	-

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613E	Maintenance Supplies	22,000	2,089	24,089	21,722	2,367	-
622E	Electricity	117,000	(5,977)	111,023	111,023	-	-
623E	Propane Gas	5,500	(2,494)	3,006	3,006	-	-
624E	Heating Oil	61,000	19,989	80,989	80,989	-	-
626E	Diesel Fuel	44,000	(12,461)	31,539	27,640	3,899	-
640E	Software	41,300	(4,229)	37,071	37,071	-	-
641E	Textbooks/Ancillary Materials	19,808	60,321	80,129	79,956	173	0
642E	Library Books	6,300	220	6,520	6,163	357	-
643E	Periodicals	3,188	7	3,195	3,195	-	-
730E	Equipment	21,650	107,058	128,708	88,443	40,264	-
810E	Dues/Fees	13,782	(3,148)	10,634	10,634	-	-
TOTAL BOARD OF EDUCATION		12,883,942	(0)	12,883,942	12,531,139	261,154	91,650
AGENCY TOTALS		17,274,834	41,741	17,316,575	16,686,555	275,644	354,375
900	FUND TRANSFERS						
	Transfers	461,646	88,700	550,346	550,346	-	-
700	DEBT SERVICE						
	Board of Selectmen						
962	/01 Bond Prin Pmt	-	-	-	-	-	-
963	/01 Bond Int Pmt	-	-	-	-	-	-
800	CONTINGENCY						
	Financial Planning & Allocation Commission						
900	Reserve for Contingency	78,000	(55,441)	22,559	-	-	22,559
		78,000	(55,441)	22,559	-	-	22,559
Replenish Fund Balance		-	-	-	-	-	-
FUNDS TOTALS - GENERAL FUND		17,814,480	75,000	17,889,480	17,236,901	275,644	376,934

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	DOG FUND						
D134	PUBLIC RECORDS SERVICES						
	Town Clerk						
110	Postage	-	-	-	-	-	-
300	General Supplies	258	-	258	40	-	219
500	Professional/Technical	-	-	-	-	-	-
550	Miscellaneous Service/ Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>258</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>258</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>219</u>
D360	ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES						
	Animal Control						
10	Salaries	11,114	5,700	16,814	16,866	-	(52)
12	Auto Allowance	2,600	(1,200)	1,400	1,400	-	-
140	Advertising	100	-	100	-	-	100
300	General Supplies	150	200	350	11	-	339
500	Professional/Technical	350	-	350	89	-	262
515	Contracted Services	-	1,500	1,500	1,350	-	150
550	Miscellaneous Services/Charges	150	-	150	-	-	150
710	Professional Development	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<u>14,464</u>	<u>6,200</u>	<u>20,664</u>	<u>19,716</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>948</u>
	FUND TOTALS - DOG FUND	<u>14,722</u>	<u>6,200</u>	<u>20,922</u>	<u>19,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,167</u>
Fund 24	AMERICAN RELIEF FUNDS						
	Town Projects						
1	Rec Park Facility Building (Pavilion)	225,000	-	225,000	182,884	-	42,116
2	DPW Portable Radios	37,000	1,707	38,707	38,707	-	-
3	CVFD Exhaust System Upgrades	12,000	-	12,000	12,000	-	-
4	CVFD Audio/Visual System	27,627	-	27,627	-	-	27,627
5	CVFD Mobile Radios	80,000	162	80,162	80,162	-	-
6	CVFD HVAC System	18,832	-	18,832	18,832	-	-
7	CVFD VOIP System	11,055	-	11,055	11,055	-	-
8	Moor's Indian School School - Paint & Repairs	16,900	(2,050)	14,850	14,850	-	-
9	Town Hall HVAC System	46,000	(1,505)	44,495	44,495	-	-
10	Senior Center Generator	25,000	-	25,000	-	-	25,000
11	Murphy House Bathroom Upgrades	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
12	DPW 1999 Dump Truck Replacement	245,000	-	245,000	-	-	245,000
12	DPW Site Survey & Site Plan	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	20,000
		<u>784,414</u>	<u>(1,686)</u>	<u>782,728</u>	<u>402,985</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>379,743</u>
	FUND TOTALS - AMERICAN RELIEF FUND	<u>784,414</u>	<u>(1,686)</u>	<u>782,728</u>	<u>402,985</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>379,743</u>

TOWN OF COLUMBIA
 Budgetary Comparison Schedule
 Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures
 for the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	Budget Appropriations July 1, 2021	1 Adopted Appropriations	1 Adopted Cancellations	Mid-Year Approp., Adjs. and Transfers	Adjusted Appropriations	Current Year Expenditures	Balance Appropriated June 30, 2022
Reserved for active projects:							
20-6187-001 Road Resurfacing	102,340	270,000			372,340	20,900	351,440
20-6187-002 Hennequin Road Drainage	109,627	(60,000)			49,627	-	49,627
20-6187-003 Erdoni Road Drainage	5,074	-			5,074	-	5,074
20-6187-004 Box Culvert Replacement/Repair	248,345	125,000			373,345	47,375	325,970
20-6188-001 Town Land Acquisition	-	-			-	-	-
20-6189-001 Preliminary Design & Cost Estimates	17,114	-			17,114	12,319	4,796
20-6190-001 Rec Area Improvement Fund	60,337	-		75,000	135,337	114,992	20,346
20-6201-001 Four Year Revaluation	111,591	-			111,591	92,546	19,044
20-6202-007 Town-wide Network/ IT	2,032	-			2,032	-	2,032
20-6205-001 DPW Capital Equipment	26,808	120,500			147,308	139,159	8,149
20-6205-002 DPW Transfer Station Equipment	20,865	5,000			25,865	-	25,865
20-6205-007 Facilities Equipment	7,389	(4,500)			2,889	93	2,796
20-6206-002 Facilities Cap Improv - Buildings	84,958	-			84,958	26,774	58,184
20-6206-004 HWP Driveway & Sidewalks	-	20,000			20,000	-	20,000
20-6206-008 Bridge On Hop River Road	113,000	55,974			168,974	-	168,974
20-6206-010 HWP Floor Replacement/Repair	9,460	5,000			14,460	-	14,460
20-6206-011 HWP Window Replacement/Repair	12,496	-			12,496	-	12,496
20-6206-016 Bridge on Latham Hill	15,000	-			15,000	-	15,000
20-6206-019 HWP Ceiling Tile Replacement	6,259	-			6,259	-	6,259
20-6206-024 HWP Painting	10,000	-			10,000	-	10,000
20-6206-026 HWP Emergency Generator	666	(666)			-	-	-
20-6206-027 HWP All-Weather Track	8,069	35,000			43,069	4,903	38,165
20-6208-001 Hazardous Tree Removal/Trim	1,725	100,000			101,725	66,677	35,048
20-6208-005 Pucker St Bridge / Rose Bridge Road	4,718	1,238			5,955	1,948	4,007
20-6208-017 Senior Center Furnishings	5,974	-			5,974	4,983	991
20-6208-019 Village Hill Road Bridge	1,963	(1,963)			-	-	-
20-6403-006 CVFD Capital Projects	2,475	-			2,475	-	2,475
20-6703-004 Library Expansion-Phase III	-	-			-	-	-
Total Reserve for Active Projects	988,282	670,583	-	75,000	1,733,866	532,669	1,201,197
Designated for Future Projects:							
20-6388-013 Land Acquisition	101,001	-			101,001	47,500	53,501
20-6206-999 Cap Proj Reserve - Future Projects	-	-			-	-	-
Total Designated for Future Projects	101,001	-	-	-	101,001	47,500	53,501
20-8900-580 Transfer Out	-	-			-	-	-
Total Capital and Non-Recurring	1,089,284	670,583	-	75,000	1,834,867	580,169	1,254,698

NOTE: As of June 30, 2022, there was \$259,168.98 left in unused Town Aid Road funds to be applied to future Road Resurfacing projects.



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission of
The Town of Columbia, CT

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Columbia, CT, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Town of Columbia, CT's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 30, 2023.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.


Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Town of Columbia, CT's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



King, King & Associates, CPAs
Winsted, CT
January 30, 2023

TOWN OF COLUMBIA
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

	General Fund	Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures	American Relief Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Revenues					
Taxes	\$ 14,843,161	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,843,161
Licenses, fees, and permits	424,533	-	-	40,459	464,992
Intergovernmental revenue	3,769,239	-	402,985	574,923	4,747,147
Contributions	-	-	-	9,897	9,897
Other revenues	14,862	-	-	58,905	73,767
Investment earnings	5,403	3,945	9	144	9,501
Total revenues	<u>19,057,198</u>	<u>3,945</u>	<u>402,994</u>	<u>684,328</u>	<u>20,148,465</u>
Expenditures					
Current:					
General government	1,595,822	-	59,345	53,524	1,708,691
Health and human services	313,053	-	-	13,407	326,460
Public safety	498,658	-	122,049	19,756	640,463
Public works	842,937	-	38,707	-	881,644
Building and development services	362,233	-	-	-	362,233
Recreation	578,507	-	182,884	15,355	776,746
Education	13,931,350	-	-	364,131	14,295,481
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-
Capital expenditures	-	580,170	-	-	580,170
Total expenditures	<u>18,122,560</u>	<u>580,170</u>	<u>402,985</u>	<u>466,173</u>	<u>19,571,888</u>
Excess/(deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	934,638	(576,225)	9	218,155	576,577
Other Financing sources/(Uses)					
Transfers in	8,827	758,808	-	19,200	786,835
Transfers out	(532,846)	-	-	(253,989)	(786,835)
Total other financing sources/(uses)	<u>(524,019)</u>	<u>758,808</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(234,789)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in fund balances	410,619	182,583	9	(16,634)	576,577
Fund balances - beginning	<u>5,428,704</u>	<u>1,073,531</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>299,078</u>	<u>6,801,313</u>
Fund balances - ending	<u>\$ 5,839,323</u>	<u>\$ 1,256,114</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	<u>\$ 282,444</u>	<u>\$ 7,377,890</u>

TOWN OF COLUMBIA

Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2022

	General Fund	Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures	American Relief Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,803,502	\$ 1,269,202	\$ 394,953	\$ 149,317	\$ 8,616,974
State and federal grants receivable	11,801	-	-	-	11,801
Other receivables	15,525	-	-	-	15,525
Interfund receivables	2	-	-	145,954	145,956
Property taxes receivable, net	147,896	-	-	-	147,896
Interest receivable	84,081	-	-	-	84,081
Prepays	28,993	-	-	-	28,993
Total assets	\$ 7,091,800	\$ 1,269,202	\$ 394,953	\$ 295,271	\$ 9,051,226
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 229,691	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 230,191
Accrued expenses	694,875	13,088	-	2,697	710,660
Unearned revenue	22,051	-	394,944	6,622	423,617
Interfund payables	145,954	-	-	2	145,956
Due to State of CT	-	-	-	3,006	3,006
Total liabilities	1,092,571	13,088	394,944	12,827	1,513,430
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Deferred Taxes and Interest	159,906	-	-	-	159,906
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	159,906	-	-	-	159,906
Fund Balances					
Nonspendable:					
Board of Selectman-Prepaid expenses	7,288	-	-	-	7,288
Board of Education-Prepaid expenses	21,705	-	-	-	21,705
Restricted:					
ARPA Grant	-	-	9	-	9
D.A.R.E Education	-	-	-	1,055	1,055
Town Aid Road	-	-	-	60	60
Historic Document Preservation Fund	-	-	-	6,338	6,338
Land Protection Fund	-	-	-	79,806	79,806
Education Grants Fund	-	-	-	271	271
Social Services Needs Fund	-	-	-	19,958	19,958
Student Activities Fund	-	-	-	18,290	18,290
Brand Memorial Fund	-	-	-	11,781	11,781
Small Cities Housing Rehabilitation	-	-	-	55,636	55,636
Committed (See Note 9)	306,221	1,254,698	-	89,249	1,650,168
Assigned:					
Subsequent Year's Budget	695,756	-	-	-	695,756
Encumbrances	275,645	-	-	-	275,645
Reserve for Capital	-	1,416	-	-	1,416
Unassigned	4,532,708	-	-	-	4,532,708
Total fund balances	5,839,323	1,256,114	9	282,444	7,377,890
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fund balances	\$ 7,091,800	\$ 1,269,202	\$ 394,953	\$ 295,271	\$ 9,051,226

TOWN OF COLUMBIA
Notes to the Financial Statements

NOTE 9 – FUND BALANCE ASSIGNMENTS

The components of committed fund balance for the governmental funds at June 30, 2022 are as follows:

Fund balances:	General Fund	Reserve for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Committed to:				
Reserve for Capital	\$ -	\$ 1,254,698	\$ -	\$ 1,254,698
Dog Fund	-	-	6,984	6,984
Land Acquisition Fund	-	-	25,161	25,161
Szegda Farm	-	-	12,998	12,998
Senior Center Fund	-	-	8,304	8,304
Compensated Absences Reserve	6,221	-	-	6,221
Memorial Fund	-	-	792	792
Recreation Fields Rental Fund	-	-	5,703	5,703
Recreation Activities Fund	-	-	28,599	28,599
Agricultural Fund	-	-	708	708
Education Non Lapsing Fund	300,000	-	-	300,000
Total Committed	<u>\$ 306,221</u>	<u>\$ 1,254,698</u>	<u>\$ 89,249</u>	<u>\$ 1,650,168</u>



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR STATE PROGRAM;
REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE
OF EXPENDITURES OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED BY THE STATE SINGLE
AUDIT ACT**

To the Financial Planning and Allocation Commission of
The Town of Columbia, CT

Report on Compliance for Each Major State Program

We have audited the Town of Columbia, CT's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the Office of Policy and Management's *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the Town of Columbia, CT's major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. The Town of Columbia, CT's major state programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to its state programs.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Town of Columbia, CT's major state programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the State Single Audit Act (C.G.S. Sections 4-230 to 4-236). Those standards and the State Single Audit Act require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major state program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Town of Columbia, CT's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major state program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Town of Columbia, CT's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major State Program

In our opinion, the Town of Columbia, CT, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major state programs for the year ended June 30, 2022.

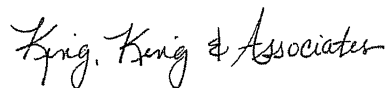
Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the Town of Columbia, CT, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major state program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance for each major state program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town of Columbia, CT's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a state program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the State Single Audit Act. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



King, King & Associates, CPAs
Winsted, CT
January 30, 2023

Town of Columbia
Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

State Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	State Grant Program Core-CT Number	Expenditures
Department of Education		
Adult Education	11000-SDE64370-17030	\$ 2,352
Talent Development	11000-SDE64370-12552	372
Department of Children and Families		
Youth Service Bureau	11000-DCF91141-17052	14,187
Youth Service Bureau Enhancement	11000-DCF91141-17107	5,737
Department of Justice		
Public Acts	34001-JUD95162-40001	770
Connecticut State Library		
Historic Preservation	12060-CSL66094-35150	5,500
Office of Policy and Management		
MRSA Tiered Pilot	12060-OPM20600-35691	1,669
Tiered Pilot	11000-OPM20600-17111	4,697
Veteran's Exemptions	11000-OPM20600-17024	3,050
Tax Relief for Disabled	11000-OPM20600-17011	593
Municipal Grants-in-aid	12052-OPM20600-43587	26,763
Department of Transportation		
Small Town Economic Assistance Program	12052-DOT57131-40532	1,948
Town Aid Road-Municipal	12052-DOT57131-43455	10,450
Town Aid Road-STO	13033-DOT57131-43459	10,450
Total State Financial Assistance before exempt programs		\$ 88,538
EXEMPT PROGRAMS		
Office of Policy and Management		
Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund Grant	12009-OPM20600-17005	4,857
Municipal Stabilization Grant	11000-OPM20600-17104	28,393
Department of Education		
Education Cost Sharing	11000-SDE64000-17041	2,310,989
Excess Cost Student Based and Equity	11000-SDE64000-17047	87,499
Total Exempt Programs		2,431,738
Total State Financial Assistance		\$ 2,520,276

See notes to schedule.

TOWN OF COLUMBIA, CT
Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance
For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance includes state grant activity of the Town of Columbia, CT under programs of the State of Connecticut for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Various departments and agencies of the State of Connecticut have provided financial assistance through grants and other authorizations in accordance with the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. These financial assistance programs fund several programs including education, historic preservation, construction, and maintenance of public roads.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of Columbia, CT conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments.

The information in the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance is presented based upon regulations established by the State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management.

Basis of Accounting

The fund financial statements contained in the Town of Columbia's annual audit report are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available while expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liability is incurred.

The government-wide financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method revenues are recorded when earned while expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred.

The expenditures reported on the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. In accordance with Section 4-236-22 of the Regulations of the State Single Audit Act, certain grants are not dependent on expenditure activity, and accordingly, are considered to be expended in the fiscal year of receipt. These grant program receipts are reflected in the expenditures column of the Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance.

TOWN OF COLUMBIA, CT
 Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2022

I. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

Financial Statements

We audited the financial statements of the Town of Columbia, CT as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022 and issued our unmodified report thereon dated January 30, 2023.

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified? _____ Yes No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? _____ Yes None Reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? _____ Yes No

State Financial Assistance

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified? _____ Yes No
- Significant deficiency(ies) identified? _____ Yes None Reported

We have issued an unmodified opinion relating to compliance for major State programs.

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 4-236-24 of the Regulations to the State Single Audit Act? _____ Yes No

The following schedule reflects the major programs included in the audit:

<u>State Grantor and Program</u>	<u>State Core - CT Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
Office of Policy and Management Municipal Grants in Aid	12052-OPM20600-43587	26,763

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs \$ 100,000

II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

- We issued reports, dated January 30, 2023, on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters based on our audit of financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Our report on compliance indicated no reportable instances of noncompliance.
- Our report on internal control over financial reporting indicated no significant deficiencies.

III. STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

- No findings or questioned costs are reported relating to State Financial Assistance Programs.