



**SMITHFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL
64 FARNUM PIKE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2026
6:00 P.M. – EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. – OPEN SESSION**

6:00 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

Convene into executive session to consider, discuss, and act upon matters pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Section 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel; to interview Eric Sparfven for possible appointment to a Town board or commission and to conduct Town Clerk and Town Manager Performance Evaluations, and Section 42-46-5(a)(2); Potential Litigation.

7:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION AGENDA

- I. Regular meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.
 - Announce any executive session votes required to be disclosed pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws, Sec. 42-46-4.
- II. Prayer
- III. Salute to the Flag
- IV. Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification
- V. Presentations:
 - A. Vin Zibelli, Senior Center/Human Services Director - Food Drive Update
- VI. Minutes:
 - A. Move that the minutes of the September 1, 2026 open session meeting be approved as recorded.
 - B. Move that the minutes of the September 15, 2026 Executive Session held pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws Section 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel; to interview David Viera for possible appointment or reappointment to a Town board or commission be approved as recorded and sealed.
 - C. Move that the minutes of the September 15, 2026 open session meeting be approved as recorded.
- VII. Consider, discuss and act upon the following possible appointments and reappointments: None
- VIII. Public Hearings:

- A. Conduct a public hearing to consider, discuss, and act upon an amendment to Chapters 45 and 46 of the Code of Ordinances entitled “Historic District Commission” and “Historic Preservation Commission,” respectively.
- B. Conduct a public hearing to consider, discuss, and act upon an amendment to the Code of Ordinances to add Chapter 351 entitled “Outdoor Clothes and Book Donation Bins” sponsored by Council President John J. Tassoni, Jr.
- C. Schedule a public hearing on October 20, 2026 to consider, discuss, and act upon an amendment to Chapter 60 of the Code of Ordinances entitled “Municipal Court”.

IX. Licenses:

- A. Consider, discuss, and act upon approving two (2) One-Day Beer/Wine Licenses for the Smithfield Senior Center as follows:
 - “Halloween Party” to be held on Thursday, October 29, 2026 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 - “Christmas Party” to be held on Thursday, December 10, 2026 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The parties will take place at the Smithfield Senior Center, 1 William J. Hawkins, Jr. Trail from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., as applied, subject to all State regulations and local ordinances.

X. Old Business:

- A. Consider, discuss, and act upon adopting a resolution for the institution of a policy for the negotiation and ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreements.

XI. New Business:

- A. Consider, discuss, and act upon adopting a resolution to establish quarterly joint meetings between the School Committee and Town Council.
- B. Consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing a sole source purchase of an Actiflo Ferric Metering Pump #3 from the Maher Corporation in the amount of eighteen thousand, three hundred fifty-two dollars and zero cents (\$18,352.00) to be funded from the Sewer Authority’s Repair and Replacement budget.
- C. Sitting as the Smithfield Water Supply Board, consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing the Town Manager to enter into contract with Beta Group of Lincoln, RI in the amount of one hundred, forty-one thousand dollars and zero cents (\$141,000.00) for the 2027 Water Supply Management Plan Five-Year Update to be paid for from the Water Supply Board’s Operating Budget.
- D. Sitting as the Smithfield Water Supply Board, consider, discuss, and act upon

authorizing the Town Manager to enter into Contract, through the Interlocal Purchasing System Contract #230601, with Berry Dunn, McNeil & Parker, LLC of Portland, ME in the amount of seventeen thousand, four hundred dollars and zero cents (\$17,400.00) to conduct a water rate study to be funded from the Water Supply Board's Operating Budget.

- E. Consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing payment of Town Aided Funds in the amount of one thousand dollars and zero cents (\$1,000.00) to the Meals on Wheels of Rhode Island.
- F. Consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing payment of Town Aided Funds in the amount of twenty thousand dollars and zero cents (\$20,000.00) to the Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council.
- G. Consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing payment of Town Aided Funds in the amount of two thousand dollars and zero cents (\$2,000.00) to the Wildlife Clinic of Rhode Island.
- H. Consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing payment of Town Aided Funds in the amount of twenty thousand dollars and zero cents (\$20,000.00) to Tri-County Community Action Agency.
- I. Consider, discuss, and act upon authorizing the Conservation Commission to work with the Town Planner on the design of trails and tree planting projects at 60 Austin Avenue.
- J. Consider, discuss, and act upon adopting a resolution establishing a Technology, Innovation and Efficiency Commission sponsored by Council Vice President Angelica L. Bovis.

XII. Public Comment.

XIII. Adjournment.

AGENDA POSTED: September 30, 2026

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