

REGULAR MEETING of the Town Council of the Town of Burrillville to be held Wednesday, May 14, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. in the Burrillville Town Building, 105 Harrisville Main Street for and within the Town of Burrillville, RI.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council President Donald A. Fox and Councilors Stephen N. Rawson, Dennis M. Anderson, Justin P. Batalon, Anne M. Brown, David Houle and Kevin McDaniel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Public Comment**
- 3. General Good and Welfare of the Town of Burrillville**
- 4. Consent Agenda to be considered and acted on:**

Note: All items on the consent agenda shall be acted on as one item and equivalent to taking the proposed action on each item individually.

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| 25-155 | Approve the minutes of the workshop session of April 22, the regular meeting of April 23, and the special meeting of May 5, 2025; and dispense with the reading of said minutes. |
| 25-156 | Receive and file the 2025/2026 update of the Burrillville Town Council Goals & Objectives and Legislative Agenda as adopted on April 23, 2025. |
| 25-157 | Receive and file the final draft of Phase I: Resource Inventory for the Burrillville Recreation Plan. |
| 25-158 | Receive and file the notice of public comment period from Verdantas for their notice of site investigation of 770 Douglas Turnpike (Burrillville Assessor's map 114, lot 016). |
| 25-159 | Receive and file the notice from Material Spirits LLC of their public hearing with the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulations regarding their application for a manufacturer distillery liquor license for the property located at 252C Harrisville Main Street (Burrillville Assessor's map 160, lot 066). |
| 25-160 | Receive and file the notice from the Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board of the application for asset condition refurbishment and alteration of the Narragansett Electric Company Woonsocket Substation – Nasonville Substation Transmission Line Project. |
| 25-161 | Receive and file the award notification letter for the Community Development Block Grant Planning Year 2023 Affordable Housing Program. |
| 25-162 | Receive and file the change order, dated April 25, 2025, to the consulting contract with TRC. |
| 25-163 | Accept the letters of resignation from Leo Felice from the Planning Board and Jeff Barr from the Affordable Housing Board, and refer the vacancies to the Screening Subcommittee. |

- 25-164 Refer to the Screening Subcommittee the applications for appointment from Cortney Lacey and Chris Toti to the Planning Board, and Ana Urena to the Housing Authority.

5. Special Business to be considered and acted on:

- 25-165 Consider and act on an application for a special event entertainment license from Burrillville Redevelopment Agency for their Fountain Square Spring Splash event on May 31, 2025 (rain date of June 1, 2025) along a portion of Pascoag Main Street; and a request to waive the \$5.00 licensing fee; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-166 Application from John J. Bateman d/b/a Spring Lake Arcade for an annual arcade license to apply at 52 Old Hillside Drive (Burrillville Assessor's map 093, lot 041).

6. Petitions to be considered and acted on: None

7. Unfinished Business to be considered and acted on: None

8. Public Hearings:

- 25-167 Application for a transfer of a retail class B(v) liquor license from Uncle Ronnie's Fine Catering d/b/a Uncle Ronnie's Red Tavern to Ark Operations d/b/a Uncle Ronnie's Tavern, a new victualing license and entertainment license; and an application to sell beverages on a deck or patio to apply at 2692 Victory Highway (Burrillville Assessor's map 114, lot 051).

Note: Notice of public hearing was advertised in the legal section of The Woonsocket Call on May 7 & 14, 2024.

- A. Comments from Applicant
- B. Comments/Input/Recommendation by Administration
- C. Proponents
- D. Opponents
- E. MOTION to close the public hearing
- F. Town Council deliberation
- G. Consider and act on a motion to grant a retail class B(v) liquor license to Ark Operations d/b/a Uncle Ronnie's Tavern, and permission to sell beverages on a deck or patio to apply at 2692 Victory Highway (Burrillville Assessor's map 114, lot 051); and

Consider and act on a motion to grant a victualing license and a new entertainment license to Ark Operations d/b/a Uncle Ronnie's Tavern to apply at 2692 Victory Highway (Burrillville Assessor's map 114, lot 051).

H. MOTION to adjourn the public hearing.

- 25-168 Proposed amendments to the Revised General Ordinances of the Town of Burrillville, RI, 2004, as amended, to add a portion of Rock Avenue to *Sec. 26-32 No parking schedule of streets*.

Note: Notice of the public hearing was advertised in the Woonsocket Call on May 7, 2025.

A. Comments/Input/Recommendations from the Ordinance Subcommittee

B. Comments/Input/Recommendation by Administration – Solicitor, Town Manager

Note: Persons who wish to address the Council shall state their names and addresses

C. Proponents

D. Opponents

E. Closure of the public hearing

F. Town Council Deliberation

G. Consider and act on adopting amendments to the Revised General Ordinances of the Town of Burrillville, RI, 2004, as amended, to add a portion of Rock Avenue to *Sec. 26-32 No parking schedule of streets*.

H. Motion to adjourn the public hearing

9. New Business to be considered and acted on:

- 25-169 Consider and act on a recommendation from Jeff McCormick, Director of Public Works and Engineering Services, to award the bid for demolition of 21-23 Rock Avenue, Bid #25-006; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-170 Consider and act on funding options for the Necessity of School Construction projects; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-171 Consider and act on a request to accept a portion of the property at 0 Gazza Road (Burrillville Assessor's map 250, lot 002) to become part of Gazza Road; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-172 Consider and act on adopting a resolution approving an application and grant agreement for a Nasonville water system project; or take any other action thereon.

Legislation

- 25-173 Consider and act on a resolution declaring the Town of Barrington a sanctuary town for transgender people and all members of the LGBTQIA2S+ community and their allies; or take any other action thereon.

- 25-174 Consider and act on a resolution from the Town of Hopkinton opposing Senate Bill 2025 – S 0851, an act which would prohibit municipalities from regulation regarding renting residential units for tourist or transient use; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-175 Consider and act on a resolution from the Town of Barrington supporting the 2025 Composting and Organic Waste Diversion Act; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-176 Consider and act on resolution from the Town of Hopkinton opposing House Bill 2025 – H 5887 relative to changing the name of Victory Day to Peace and Remembrance Day; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-177 Consider and act on a resolution from the Town of New Shoreham opposing a statewide non owner occupied property tax; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-178 Consider and act on resolution from the North Smithfield School Committee relative to pupil transportation legislation; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-179 Consider and act on adopting a resolution in opposition to specific land use legislation; or take any other action thereon.
- 25-180 Consider and act on legislation pending before the Rhode Island General Assembly; or take any other action thereon.

10. Town Clerk/Communication to be considered and acted on:

- 25-181 Consider and act on correspondence from Dr. Robert Billington, President of the Blackstone Valley Tourism Council, announcing his retirement from the Blackstone Valley Tourism Council; or take any other action thereon.

11. Additional new business to be considered and acted on: None

12. Adjournment

All supporting documents (except for executive session items) are on file in the Town Clerk's Office, and are available to the public upon request. The Town of Burrillville will provide accommodations needed to ensure equal participation. Please contact the Burrillville Town Clerk at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting so arrangements can be made to provide such assistance at no cost to the person requesting it. A request for this service can be made in writing or by calling (401) 568-4300 (voice) or "via RI Relay 1-800-745-5555" (TTY).