



East Greenwich Town Council

Regular Meeting

Monday, May 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM

HYBRID IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

Town Hall, 125 Main Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818

Agenda

(Any matter listed on this agenda is subject to discussion and a vote by the Town Council. Full agenda packet with active links and videos available on Agendas & Minutes page on the Town website at www.eastgreenwichri.com .)

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1. **6:00pm ~ Call to Order**
2. **Interviews for Boards and Commissions (held in the Town Council conference room)**
 - 2.a Geeta Chogule for Board of Canvassers
[Chougule Geeta BOC 2023_R.pdf](#)
 - 2.b Patricia Colgan for Board of Canvassers
[Colgan Patricia BOC 2024_R.pdf](#)
3. **6:30pm ~ Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Public Comments**

(This is an opportunity for members of the audience to bring to the Council's attention any item not listed on the agenda. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person with a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes for all items. Speakers may not yield their time to others.)

5. Acknowledgements

- 5.a Commendation for Erinn Calise for serving over twelve years on the Historic District Commission.

[ERINN CALISE - Commendation.pdf](#)

- 5.b Commendation for Barry Golden for serving over ten years on the Zoning Board of Review.

[BARRY GOLDEN - Commendation.pdf](#)

6. Consent Calendar and Communications

(Any agenda item of a routine nature or items provided for informational purposes only; considered under a single action. Any Councilor may have an item removed and considered separately on request.)

- 6.a Minutes from April 29, 2024 (Regular Meeting ~ Open Session)

[2024.04.29 Town Council Minutes DRAFT.docx](#)

- 6.b Minutes from May 6, 2024 (Special Meeting ~ Open Session)

[2024.05.06 Town Council Minutes DRAFT.docx](#)

- 6.c Award of contract to Air Cleaning Specialists of New England, 1525 Hanover St., Hanover, MA 02339, for purchasing and installing a source capture exhaust extraction system extension at Fire Station 2, in an amount not to exceed \$29,000.00.

[Bid Recommendation Letter Exhaust Capture System.pdf](#)

[Air Cleaning Specialists Proposal.pdf](#)

[Air Cleaning Specialists MPA.pdf](#)

[Sole Source Justification.pdf](#)

- 6.d Transition of Donna Evans from an alternate member to a regular member of the Zoning Board of Review for the remainder of a five-year term to expire May 1, 2029.

- 6.e Approval of performance bond release in the amount of \$15,400 for Frenchtown Place Subdivision in its entirety, and that the Town Council accept the public improvements that includes the street entitled "Saw Mill Court."

[Frenchtown - Bond Release 05-08-2024.pdf](#)

7. Reports and Presentations

(Any agenda items requested by the Town Manager, Town Council or Town Solicitor, or any item requiring a formal presentation by boards and commissions, or other agencies.)

- 7.a Report from Town Manager on town-wide projects and initiatives.

8. Public Hearing

(This is an opportunity for members of the audience to provide testimony/comments on the specific issue being considered.)

- 8.a Presentation from Town Manager and discussion by Councilors on the proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025; including departmental overviews.
[Legal Ad - Pendulum 05.02.24 PH FY25 Budget.pdf](#)
[May 6 abbreviated version - Andy \(002\) \(002\).pptx.pdf](#)
[FINAL 2024-2025 Budget Document v2.pdf](#)

9. Unfinished Business

(Any items that were not completed at a prior meeting.)

- 9.a Review of Conditions for LowKey, LLC d/b/a [LowKey Cafe](#) located at 205 Main Street.
[2024.01.29 Town Council Minutes.pdf](#)
- 9.b An ORDINANCE to amend the Code of the Town of East Greenwich, Chapter 15 thereof, entitled Alcoholic Beverages, to amend Section 15-10, entitled Cap on Total Liquor Licenses in the Town of East Greenwich, to increase the cap for Class B-V from 38 to 39 (THIRD READING).
[Chapter 15 Alcoholic Beverages Increase Class BV 38 to 39 DRAFT.docx](#)
[Legal Ad - Pendulum PH Raise Cap BV 38 to 39.pdf](#)

10. New Business

(Any items that have not been previously discussed or acted upon.)

- 10.a Appointment of two members of the community to the School Construction Committee for an initial term to expire December 31, 2024.
[Hamel Emily SCC 2024.pdf](#)
[Pray Jacob SCC 2024.pdf](#)
[Zarrella Gerald Jr. SCC 2024.pdf](#)
[Hamel Kurt SCC 2024.pdf](#)
[LaPlante David SCC 2024.pdf](#)
[Memorandum to Council for Appointment of Public Members.pdf](#)

- 10.b Discussion and possible vote on the proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

11. Public Comments

(This is an additional opportunity for members of the audience to provide public comment. Comments shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person with a maximum of thirty (30) minutes for all items. Speakers may not yield their time to others.)

12. Council Announcements and Comments

(Items may be added to the agenda for informational purposes only and may not be voted on except where necessary to address an unexpected occurrence that requires immediate action to protect the public or to refer the matter to an appropriate committee or to another body or official.)

13. Executive Session

(Limited to matters allowed to be exempted from discussions at open meetings per RIGL 42-46-5.)

- 13.a Closed pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) for sessions pertaining to litigation for the approval of Executive Session minutes from April 29, 2024.
- 13.b Closed pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) for sessions pertaining to litigation; specifically, Town of East Greenwich v. Division Road Neighborhood, LLC (KC-2024-0002).
- 13.c Closed pursuant to RIGL 42- 46-5 (a) (2) for session pertaining to litigation; specifically, to discuss opioid class action litigation.
- 13.d Closed pursuant to RIGL 42 -46-5 (a) (5) for sessions pertaining to discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes; specifically with respect to Boesch Farm.

14. Adjournment

Pursuant to RIGL 42- 46-6, notice of this meeting was posted on May 9, 2024 on the Secretary of State's website, Town Hall, EG Free Library and Swift Community Center and on the internet at www.eastgreenwichri.com. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Town Clerk's office at (401) 886-8604 via RI Relay #711 (800-745-5555 TTY) or in writing, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the hearing date.