

**PORTSMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 2026
AGENDA**

The Portsmouth Town Council meeting will also be live-streamed on the web and by phone dial-in using the Zoom remote meeting service. The Executive Session **will not** be streamed to the public. See below for directions.

6:30 PM – Town Council Chambers, Portsmouth Town Hall, 2200 East Main Road

SITTING AS THE PORTSMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

1. Roll Call

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. RIGL 42-46-5(a)(5) – Any discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes wherein advanced public information would be detrimental to the public interest. – Clemens Equine/Glen Farm Stables concessionaire agreement
2. RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2) – Sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation. – Status reports from Town Solicitors on pending and threatened litigation involving the Town of Portsmouth.

ADJOURN

7:00 PM – Town Council Chambers, Portsmouth Town Hall, 2200 East Main Road

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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PRESIDENT’S EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PUBLIC COMMENT

Residents may address the Town Council on matters relevant to the authority and jurisdiction of the Town Council; neither discussed during the meeting nor related to personnel or job performance, during the public comment period; speakers will be called in the order they appear on the public comment sign-in sheet, which will be available up until the meeting start time, and then will be provided to the presiding officer; a speaker may approach the Town Council only once per public comment session; speakers shall state their name and address for the record; each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes in the public comment period and the period will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes total; we ask that all speakers direct their comments to the presiding officer and that they be respectful and courteous when speaking; the presiding officer shall enforce the rules and maintain order.

CONSENT AGENDA

Directions to view licensing applications: 1) Click [OpenGov](#), 2) Click Search, 3) Click Records, and then type in the record number listed on the agenda, 4) Click on the highlighted record to view the application.

1. Bills

Payment [Voucher #1154](#) on 10/8/26 in the amount of \$390,239.51 as approved by the
Finance Director

Payment [Voucher #1160](#) on 10/15/26 in the amount of \$125,828.57 as approved by the
Finance Director

2. Committee Minutes:
 - Conservation Commission [8/20/26](#)
 - Melville Park Committee [9/2/26](#)
 - Parks & Recreation Committee [5/21/26](#), [9/17/26](#)
3. Peddler License – Mobile Food Establishment (MFE), Renewal:
 - Chicked Out Nuggz, LLC, 150 James St, Warwick (#9593)
4. CRMC – [Public Notice 2025-05-079](#)
 - TDS Associates Realty Trust, 171 Chase Road, Providence, RI 02871 for a State of Rhode Island Assent to construct and maintain a residential boating facility on an undeveloped lot to be shared by the adjacent property (TDS Associates) and the Town of Portsmouth for emergency purposes. The proposed facility will consist of an approximate 160' long fixed pier with a 50' wave fence along the end of the fixed pier and a 61' terminal "L" section wave fence and a 4x30' ramp to a 400ft² float extending 95.6' beyond MLW. Requiring a special exception to 1.2.2.(A)(125) and 1.3.1.(D)(3)(d)-Docks must be contiguous to residence; 1.3.1.(D)(7)(b)-Docks prohibited in Type 1 Water; 1.3.1.(D)(7)(d)-Structures in addition to/attached to docks are prohibited; 1.3.1.(D)(7)(h)-Terminal float larger than 200ft² are prohibited; 1.3.1.(P)-Structures in addition to docks are prohibited. Requiring a variance to 1.3.1.(D)(11)(l)-50' beyond MLW standard. Project Location: Harbor View Avenue

SITTING AS THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

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1. Peddler License – Mobile Food Establishment (MFE), New:
 - Shamrock Sandwich Co d/b/a The Dublin Stack, 16 E Greenwich Ave, West Warwick (#9594)

ADJOURN

MINUTES

[10/13/26](#) & Exec.

TAX VOUCHERS

Request approval for [Tax Vouchers](#) #20261026-01 to #20261026-08. / M. Helfand

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Curbside and transfer station updates
2. Town Hall closed November 11th, 26th, and 27th
3. Bristol Ferry Town Common and Butts Hill Fort cleanups
4. RI Dept of Health Mobil Clinic survey
5. Night work on the Mount Hope Bridge from October 26th through November 13th

OLD BUSINESS (Discussion/Action)

1. Request to approve the Parks & Recreation Committee by laws. / D. Fiorillo, Chair (10)(fm. 9/14/26) [Original](#), [Revised](#)
2. Monthly Finance Reports. / E. Draper (5)
 - a. [September 2026](#) Finance Report

- b. School Finance Report: [July & August 2026](#)
3. Additional support for LMI lawsuit. / G. Cicione & J. Larisa (10) (Np backup)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. [Resolution](#) supporting Gloucester and other Rhode Island municipalities seeking reform of dam emergency action plan requirements. / Exeter Town Council
2. [Resolution](#) requesting the Rhode Island General Assembly to relieve cities and towns of the unfunded mandate to prepare emergency action plans for privately owned dams, and to end the penalizing of municipalities for owner noncompliance. / Exeter Town Council

FUTURE MEETINGS

Nov 9 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting
Nov 23 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting
Dec 14 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION - (If needed)

ADJOURN

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

OPEN SESSION

ADJOURN

Virtual access is being provided only as a convenience and is not an official “location” where access to the meeting is guaranteed; please note that being physically present at the meeting is the only way to guarantee complete access to the meeting.

To access the meeting through the web, go to the following web link in any browser to run the Zoom app and view the meeting: <https://livestream.portsmouthri.com/towncouncil>

To access the meeting by phone dial-in, please dial **1-888-788-0099**. Once prompted for the meeting ID, please dial **996-8471-9966#**. Once prompted for a participant ID, **dial # again**. You will now be in the meeting. While in the audio conference, **to raise your hand to ask a question, dial *9** and the host will be notified of your interest in asking a question. **Dial *6 to mute and unmute yourself.**

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Town’s boards or its committees. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please contact the Town Clerk’s Office at 683-2101 at least (3) business days prior to the meeting.

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