

# Town of Tiverton, Rhode Island Town Council Meeting

## NOTICE and AGENDA of MEETING

Regular Meeting: Monday, March 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Notice:** In accordance with the guidance provided by the Governor and State and Local emergency management authorities due to the current state of emergency, Town meetings will be conducted solely via internet video conference with telephonic access; there shall be no in-person gathering for this meeting. The Town has set up the following internet video conference and telephonic access capabilities for council members and public participation.

1. Call the toll-free number: 877-853-5247 (audio only) and enter the following information:

MEETING ID: **831 1015 8669**

PASSCODE: **560638**

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Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-6(b): Notice – “Nothing contained herein shall prevent a public body, other than a school committee, from adding additional items to the agenda by majority vote of the members. Such additional items shall be 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.”

# AGENDA

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE TO THE FLAG

## 3. ROLL CALL

President Denise M. deMedeiros  
William J. Vieira  
Jay P. Edwards

Vice President Michael S. Burk  
Deborah G. Janick

Joseph C. Perry  
Donna J. Cook

## 4. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within the Consent Agenda are to be considered routine by Town Council and will ordinarily be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Council, or a member of the public so requests and the Town Council President permits, in which event the item will be removed for separate consideration later on the agenda.

### A. Approval of Town Council Minutes

1. February 20, 2021 – Special Budget Meeting
2. February 22, 2021 – Regular Session
3. February 24, 2021 – Workshop Meeting

### B. Acknowledge Receipt of Minutes from Boards/Commissions/Committees

1. Tiverton Open Space Commission (1)
2. Board of Canvassers (1)
3. Planning Board (2)

### C. Acknowledge Receipt of Reports

1. Town Administrator – Departments' Monthly Reports – February 2021
2. Town Administrator – Police and Fire Department Overtime Reports – February 2021
3. Jennifer Siciliano, Town Planner and Administrative Officer – Report of Activities of Planning Department and Planning Board for February 2021

### D. Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence

1. David J Paull, HEARTSafe Tiverton Coordinator, regarding Lucas 3 Chest Compression Systems
2. Town of Coventry – Resolution Requesting General Assembly Amend RIGL 44-5-2 Maximum Levy
3. City of East Providence – Resolution in support of Afterschool and Summer Programs for Rhode Island's Youth

### E. Approval of Tax Assessor Abatements – Total amount \$1,671.00

F. Town Clerk – Request approval to advertise for open positions on Boards and Commissions

- Arts Committee (1)
- Building Code Board of Appeals (P.E. Appointment)
- Historic Preservation Advisory Board
- Historical Cemeteries Commission (2)
- Housing Authority (1)
- Juvenile Hearing Board (2) Alternates
- Litter Committee (1)
- Recycling-Landfill (2)
- Library Board of Trustees (2)
- Open Space Commission (2)
- Planning Board (1)
- Tax Assessment Board of Review (1)

## **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING A COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM OR OTHER TOWN BUSINESS**

A. Comments received – None

## **6. PRESENTATIONS**

A. Hague, Sahady & Co. P.C. - Annual Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2020

## **7. PUBLIC HEARINGS (ADVERTISED)**

A. Discussion and possible vote on proposed amendment to remove sunset provision from Tiverton Code of Ordinances Chapter 2 Administration Section 2-107 Casino Gaming Revenue  
The proposal may be altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing.

## **8. BOARD OF LICENSING**

A. John Skrzypiec, 48 Island View Drive, Requests Approval for Annual Renewal of Private Detective License

## **9. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**

A. Tiverton Housing Authority – (5) Member Board - (5) Year Terms - (1) Vacancy  
1. Jeannie-Mae Durfee, 2411 Main Rd - Requests re-appointment to expire 10/15/2025  
Continued from 2/22/2021 meeting

## **10. GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. Maureen Morrow and Christine Bandoni – Request repeal of Resolution 19-01 – Resolution Supporting the Second Amendment and Opposing Infringement of the Right to Bear Arms, adopted 6/3/2019

B. Councilor Burk – Limiting truck traffic on side streets connecting Main Road and Fish Road

- C. Councilor deMedeiros - Planning for future FY 2021/2022 Budget Reviews
- D. Request approval to go out for bids on DPW 2 used, plow & attachments, Police vehicles and two Lucas Chest Compression systems
- E. Discussion and possible vote to establish Dog Park Committee by Resolution
- F. Discussion and possible vote for Advisory Committee to comply with Section 2-107 (e) Casino Gaming Revenue Ordinance
- G. Discussion and possible vote on appointment of Assistant Solicitor for Persecutions based on Recommendations from Town Administrator and Police Chief

#### **11. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS**

- A. Town Clerk – Update on March 2, 2021 Special Referenda

#### **12. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Town Administrator – RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2) – Collective Bargaining - IBPO
- B. Town Administrator - RIGL 42-46-5(a)(5) - Discussions/overview of the disposition of publicly held property in the Tiverton Industrial Park – continued from January 25, 2021 meeting
- C. Town Administrator – RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1) – Discussion related to personnel including job performance of Building Official with Notice served
- D. Town Solicitor – Litigation – 42-46-5(a)(2) – Discussion of case status and exploration of resolution for Tiverton v. Lee Shore Realty, et al. (Shore Road Case) CA No: NC 2016-0462

#### **13. ADJOURNMENT**