# Town of Tiverton, Rhode Island
# Town Council Meeting

## NOTICE and AGENDA
**Regular Meeting: Monday, April 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.**

Tiverton Town Hall
343 Highland Road
Tiverton, Rhode Island 02878

**Notice:** This meeting is IN PERSON only.

The meeting will also be viewable live at: www.youtube.com/user/TivertonVideos

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must contact the Town Clerk's Office at 343 Highland Road or call (401) 625-6704 at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

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 a 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."

The public may send written comments via email to **publiccomment@tiverton.ri.gov** or by regular mail to the Town Clerk at 343 Highland Road, Tiverton, RI 02878, or place them in the grey drop box located outside Town Hall by noon on Monday, April 25, 2022.

**Date posted: April 21, 2022**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**3. ROLL CALL**

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| President Denise M. deMedeiros | Vice President Michael S. Burk | Joseph C. Perry |
| William J. Vieira | Deborah G. Janick | Donna J. Cook |
| Jay P. Edwards | | |

**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. April 11, 2022 – Regular Meeting (Councilor Perry abstain, absent)
2. April 11, 2022 – Executive Session (Councilor Perry abstain, absent)

B. Acknowledge Receipt of Minutes from Boards/Commissions/Committees
1. Zoning Board of Review (2)
2. Zoning Board of Appeals (1)
3. Recreation and Beach (1)
4. Solar Ordinance Advisory Committee (3)
5. Dog Park Advisory Committee (2)

C. Acknowledge Receipt of Reports
1. Treasurer Saurette – March 2022 Budget and Revenue Reports

D. Acknowledge Receipt of Correspondence
1. Town of Coventry - Resolution in support of S-2341 and H-7834
2. Town of Hopkinton – Letter in opposition to H-6676
3. Town of Charlestown – Resolution in support of H-8055
4. Town of Burrillville – Condemning the Russian Invasion of Ukraine
5. Town of Burrillville – Resolution in opposition to Rhode Island 2022 Gun Control Legislation
6. Town of Burrillville – Resolution in opposition to S-2557 and H-7829
7. US Department of the Interior/Fish and Wildlife Service – Coastal Barrier Resources System Hurricane Sandy Remapping Project report

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

A. Comments received:

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS (ADVERTISED) – Discussion and possible votes**

**A**. Portsmouth-Tiverton Rotary Club/Sharlene Patton - Approval of sound variance for 64th Annual Father's Day Car Show at Longplex Sports Center, 300 Industrial Way on June 19, 2022, from 8 am to 5 pm and approval of special event permit (non-advertised) [cont. from 4/11/2022]

**B**. Arts and Artisan Festival/Alyssa Wood - Approval of sound variance for Arts and Artisan Festival at Mill Pond Shops @ Tiverton Four Corners, 3980 Main Road on July 16, 2022, from 10 am to 4 pm and approval of Special Event permit

**7. BOARD OF LICENSING – Discussion and possible vote**

A. Charles Mulcahy, 65 Beech Avenue, Tiverton – Requesting Approval of Private Detective License Renewal

**8. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS – Discussion and possible votes**

A. Historical Cemeteries Commission - (5) Member Board (3) Year Terms (1) Vacancy
1. Thomas L. Snell, 245 King Road - Requests re-appointment, term ending 4/15/2025

B. Economic Development Commission - (5) Member Board (4) Year Terms (1) Vacancy
1. Christine A. Francis, 3842 Main Road - Requests appointment, term ending 7/15/2025

C. Open Space and Land Preservation Commission - (9) Member Board (3) Year Terms (1) Vacancy
1. James L. Spears, 494 West Demello Drive - Requests re-appointment, term ending 4/15/2025

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

A. Michael Monti, Esq. for Vincent Vivona –Petition to abandon Patrick Avenue and a portion of Harrington Avenue. Discussion and possible vote to refer to the Planning Department.

B. Bruce Thompson – Request for the Town to abandon an undeveloped portion of Chace Avenue. Discussion and possible vote to refer to the Planning Department.

C. Stuart Gilfillen/ Recreation – Discussion and possible vote on advertising public hearing for proposed amendments to Tiverton Code of Ordinance Chapter 78 Traffic and Vehicles, Section 78-61 Nonresidential parking penalties for violation of article and Section 78-85 Parking prohibited between 10:00 p.m. and sunrise

D. Town Administrator/Michael DeCotis – Discussion and possible vote to approve the use of funds from Tiverton Power contribution for Middle School Softball field renovations, in an amount not to exceed $12,000.

E. Councilor Cook – Discussion and possible vote on a resolution for a coastal buffer zone to allow for aquaculture operations and minimize conflicting uses
1. Letter from Harbor Commission Chair Bruce Cox to Town Administrator re: Tiverton Conservation Commission letter on Shoreline Setback for new aquaculture leases
2. Letter from Harbor Commission Chair Bruce Cox to Town Administrator re: Rhode Island Salt Water Angler's Association letter

F. DPW Director Rogers - Discussion and possible vote to approve budget transfers
1. $12,000 from Acct. 5540-5101 DPW Maint Workers to Acct. 5540-6648 Minor Equip Replacements
2. $8,000 from Acct. 5540-5101 DPW Maint Workers to Acct. 5540-6698 Salt, Sand, Gravel
3. $9,000 from Acct. 5540-6451 Snow Removal to Acct. 5540-6698 Salt, Sand, Gravel
4. $13,590 from Acct. 5540-5101 DPW Maint Workers to Acct. 640-7850 Restr Cap- 2 used plow trks
5. $140 from Acct. 5130-5102 Staff Salaries AFSCME to Acct. 5130-6240 Uniform

G. DPW Director Rogers - Discussion and possible vote to approve an extension of the FY2020-2022 contract with Cintas Corporation for Uniform Rental, subject to no lower bids being received on April 26, 2022.

H. DPW Director Rogers – Discussion and possible vote to grant DPW permission to hire Xtreme Grinding to grind the yard waste at the Landfill, with a cost not to exceed $16,000.

I. Discussion and possible vote to approve National Grid Joint Pole Petition – Cornell Road, poles 32, 32-84, 33, 34, 35, 36, and 36-84

J. Discussion and possible vote to award contract for Pocasset Hill Cemetery Mowing/Maintenance and Cemetery Operations to Jared Ramunno DBA Ramunno's Landscaping

K. Dog Park Advisory Committee – Discussion and possible vote to amend the Resolution 2021-01 Establishing an Advisory Dog Park Committee to reduce the seventeen (17) member committee to eleven (11) members and to increase the term limit from one (1) year to two (2) years.

L. Discussion and possible vote to approve funds to advertise the proposed Planning Board Fee and Escrow Schedule for Public Hearing on May 23, 2022

M. Councilor Burk - Discussion and possible vote to set a public hearing date on the proposed Charter amendments for Personnel changes and the Personnel Board and to approve funds to advertise public hearing

N. Town Administrator - Discussion and possible vote to approve a salary increase for Police Chief Patrick Jones, effective December 14, 2021, consistent with the approved FY22 budget

O. Town Administrator - Discussion and possible vote to approve a salary increase for Deputy Police Chief James Costa, effective October 26, 2021, consistent with the approved FY22 budget

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS/DISCUSSIONS**

A. Town Administrator/Town Clerk – Update on Financial Town Referendum

**11. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Town Administrator - 42-46-5(a)(1) – Personnel -Job Performance/Annual Evaluation for Police Chief Patrick Jones – Notice Given

B. Town Administrator - 42-46-5(a)(1) – Personnel -Job Performance/Annual Evaluation for Deputy Police Chief James Costa – Notice Given

C. Council President/Town Administrator –RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining – Update on IAFF Local 1703 negotiations and arbitration

D. Town Administrator - RIGL 42-46-5(a)(5) – Discussion and possible vote on disposition of publicly held property in the Tiverton Industrial Park; and request for legal conflict waiver

**12. ADJOURNMENT**