



RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL

Town Council Meeting Agenda

Town Council Chambers

5 Richmond Townhouse Road, Wyoming, RI 02898

May 19, 2026

6:00 P.M.

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

D. PUBLIC HEARING

Please note that in accordance with section 42-46-6 (b), the Council may review, discuss, and/or take action on the following items:

- 1) Request of 1163 Main Street, LLC for Discussion and Consideration of Proposed Amendments to the Richmond Zoning Ordinances, Chapter 18, Section 18.16.010 (605), establishing a new use code for propane gas; Section 18.16.020 (604) entitled “Fuel sales and delivery”, eliminating “propane gas” from description; and Section 18.21.050, allowing underground storage tanks and excluding propane storage from certain development standards – continued from the May 5, 2026 Town Council, Meeting.

- 2) Discussion and Consideration of the Request of Southern Rhode Island 4-H Leaders Association for Complete Application for an Outdoor Entertainment License.

E. LICENSES

Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action on the following items:

- 1) Discussion and Consideration of Incomplete Indoor Entertainment License Application, subject to Payment of Taxes and Payment of License Fees, as reviewed for application completeness on May 13, 2026:
 - a) Preserve Property Management Company, LLC – The Event Barn
 - b) Preserve Property Management Company, LLC -- Double Barrel Kitchen
 - c) Preserve Property Management Company, LLC – White Birch Café
- 2) Discussion and Consideration of the Request of Keystone Novelties Distributors LLC for a Complete Application for Holiday Sales License
- 3) Discussion and Consideration of the Request of Keystone Novelties Distributors LLC for an Incomplete Application for a Hawker License, subject to BCI approval from the Chief of Police and Tent Inspection from the Fire Marshall.

F. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Please note that in accordance with section 42-46-6 (b), the Council may review, discuss, and/or take action on the following items:

- 1) Discussion and Consideration of the Request of Daniel Madnick to be Appointed to the RICH Task Force, with term expiration of December 31, 2026.
- 2) Discussion and Consideration of the Request for Re-Appointment to the Senior Activities Committee, with term expiration of May 31, 2029:
 - a) Rolland Mowchan
 - b) Dennis McGinity
- 3) Discussion and Consideration of the Request of Pierre Duval for Re-Appointment to the Affordable Housing Committee, with term expiration of May 31, 2029
- 4) Discussion and Consideration of the Appointment of an Alternate Board of Canvasser Member with Term Expiration of February 28, 2029:
 - a) Linda Zambrano
 - b) Barbara Geleney
 - c) Christopher Kona
 - d) Alexis Turner
 - e) Barry Levin
- 5) Reconfirmation of the Appointment of Pamela Rohland as Full Member of the Board of Canvassers

G. CONSENT AGENDA

Please note that in accordance with section 42-46-6 (b), the Council may review, discuss, and/or take action on the following items:

- 1) Approval of Town Council Minutes:
 - a) May 5, 2026 (Regular Minutes)
 - b) May 6, 2026 (Special Minutes)

- 2) Approval of Town Department Reports
 - a) Approval of the Town Clerk's Report – April 2026
 - b) Approval of the Police Department's Report – March 2026
 - c) Approval of the Police Department's Report – April 2026
 - d) Approval of the Building/Zoning Department's Report – April 2026
 - e) Approval of the Tax Collector's Report – April 2026
 - f) Approval of the Finance Department's Report – April 2026
 - g) Approval of the Town Planner's Report – April 2026

- 3) Approval of the Appropriations and Payment of Bills – April 1, 2026 – April 30, 2026

H. PUBLIC FORUM

The Public Forum will be conducted according to Town Council Rules & Procedures Article 6.

<http://www.richmondri.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1878/Rules-of-Procedure?bidId=>

*Those participating remotely use the “raise hand” icon at the bottom right side of your screen, or, if you are using a phone, press *9. The moderator will tell you when it is your turn to speak.*

I. REPORTS

Please note the following items are status reports and matters of interest to the Council and are for informational purposes unless indicated otherwise, and will be acted upon in accordance with section 42-46-6 (b)

- 1) Town Administrator's Report: Erin Liese
 - a) Rhode Island Site Readiness Grant Program Application Authorization

- 2) Police Chief's Report: Elwood Johnson
 - a) Child Molestation Investigation and Arrest
 - b) Fraudulent Conversion and Larceny Investigation and Arrest

- 3) Town Clerk's Report: Kendra Tanguay
 - a) Request for Discussion and Consideration of a Resolution Opposing the Passage of H7676 and S2612 relating to State Affairs and Government – Open Meetings

- 4) Recreation Director's Report: Robin Woodmansee
 - a) Authorization to hire Camp Counselors and Assistant Camp Director for the 2026 Summer Camp Session

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Please note the following items are status reports and matters of interest to the Council and are for informational purposes unless indicated otherwise, and will be acted upon in accordance with section 42-46-6 (b)

- 1) Request of Councilor Madnick for Discussion and Consideration of the restoration of the Richmond Environmental Resiliency Commission – continued from the May 5, 2026 Town Council Meeting

- 2) Discussion and Consideration of a Municipal Social Media Policy

K. NEW BUSINESS

Please note the following items are status reports and matters of interest to the Council and are for informational purposes unless indicated otherwise, and will be acted upon in accordance with section 42-46-6 (b)

- 1) Approval of the Chariho Regional School District and the Town of Richmond Memorandum of Understanding pertaining to the funding for a School Resource Officer
- 2) Request of Vice President Reynolds for Discussion and Consideration of a Resolution supporting H 8527 & S 3242 – Chariho Bond Bills.
- 3) Request of Councilor Palmisciano for an Informational Update and Discussion regarding Chariho Plaza

L. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER RHODE ISLAND CITIES AND TOWNS

The Council may acknowledge any of the listed Communications and Proclamations, and Resolutions. Should any member wish to have a conversation on any of the matters, the item will be placed on a future agenda for review, discussion, and/or potential action and/or vote.

- 1) Communications Received:
 - a) Board and Commissions Vacancy List
 - b) Police Department Press Release – May 1, 2026
 - c) Police Department Press Release – May 8, 2026
 - d) Copy of letter from Common Cause Rhode Island in Support of H 7676 – An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government – Open Meetings
 - e) Copy of Letter from Nicholas Lima, Chairperson of the RITCCA Elections committee in support of H8344
- 2) Resolutions Received:
 - a) North Smithfield School Committee Resolution relating to Education – School Employee Background Checks
 - b) Town of Exeter Resolution requesting Parity in Ambulance Service Reimbursements for Services Provided on State Owned Property
 - c) Town of Exeter Resolution in Support of House Bill H7446 and Senate Bill S2691 relating to Low-and-moderate-income Housing – Protection of Drinking Water Supplies
 - d) Town of Exeter Resolution in Support of Interstate Enforcement of Boating Laws on Beach Pond and Improved Public Safety
 - e) Town of Exeter Resolution in Support of House Bill 2025-H5202 relating to Education and Regionalization Bonus
 - f) Town of Exeter Resolution in Support of House Bill H8029 relating to Taxation – Collection of Taxes Generally
 - g) Town of Exeter Resolution in Support of Senate Bill S2917 and House Bill H8015 relating to Towns and Cities – Rhode Island Housing Resources Act of 1988
 - h) Town of Charlestown Town Council Resolution Concerning Municipal Authority over Land Use and Housing Decisions
 - i) Town of South Kingstown Resolution in Support of House Bill 2026-8298 entitled AN Act Relating to Capital Development – 2026 Bond Referenda
 - j) Town of New Shoreham Resolution relating to Public Health Crisis – Deer Resolution
 - k) Town of Portsmouth Town Council Resolution Requesting Legislation Action to Clarify and Reaffirm State Responsibility for Public Boating Access Infrastructure, and Similar Legislative Action Relating to Public Boating Access Infrastructure Located within the Town of Charlestown.

M. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-6(c), Notice of this meeting was posted on the Secretary of State's website, Richmond Town Hall, Richmond Police Station, and Clerk Base on May 14, 2026.

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