

TOWN OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND



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Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 7:00 PM
10 Court Street, Bristol Rhode Island
Town Hall - Council Chambers

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In-Person Participation Only

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Please be advised that the council intends to discuss and/or act upon each and every item appearing on this agenda

Present:

Meeting Dates:

April 28, 2025 - Vote on Final Budget

May 7, 2025 - Town Council Meeting

May 28, 2025 - Town Council Meeting

June 18, 2025- Town Council Meeting

July 23, 2025- Town Council Meeting

Special Recognitions

Citation - Mt. Hope Huskies Swim Team

Motion RE: Consent Agenda - To Approve the Consent Agenda

A. Submission of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- A1.** Town Council Special Meeting Minutes - March 17, 2025
- A2.** Town Council Special Meeting Minutes - March 18, 2025
- A3.** Town Council Special Meeting Minutes - March 19, 2025
- A4.** Town Council Meeting Minutes - March 26, 2025
- A5.** Town Council Special Meeting Minutes - April 14, 2025
- A6.** Town Council Special Workshop Meeting Minutes - April 14, 2025

B. Public Hearings

C. Ordinances

- C1.** Ordinance 2025-03 - Chapter 17, Article II Alcoholic Beverages Establishments, Section 17-82 - (to decrease the number of limited BV Licenses from 8 to 7) **(1st Reading)**
- C2.** Ordinance No. 2025-04 Chapter 17 Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article II Alcoholic Beverage Establishments, Sec. 17-82 Number of Licenses (to increase the number of BV licenses from 32 to 33) **(1st Reading)**
- C3.** Ordinance No. 2025-05 - Chapter 16 - Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article V - Stopping Standing and Parking (no parking box located across from 28 Shaws Lane) **(1st reading)**
- C4.** Ordinance No. 2025-06 Chapter 16 Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article IX Residential Parking, Sec. 16-345 Designated residential parking streets (To include portions of Hope Street to the Residential Zone) **(1st Reading)**

- C5.** Ordinance No. 2025-7 Zoning Chapter 28 Land Use Laws (adopted 2024 - legislative session) (1st reading) **(call for public hearing- May 28, 2025)**

Section: 28-1 Definitions (floor area ratios)

Section: 28-151 Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU)

Section: 28-221 Land Nonconforming by Area (Substandard Lots)

Section: 28-370 Inclusionary Zoning

Section: 28-150,181,182, 183,185, 187,255,352 & 354 Supplementary Regulations (Development Plan Review)

D. Licensing Board - New Petitions

- D1.** DeWolf Tavern, 259 Thames Street - Request permission to hold Oysterfest fundraiser on Sunday, June 15, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This includes a one-day Liquor License extension to cover outdoor common areas, and permission to display two banners on Hope Street for the two weeks leading up to June 15th.

a. recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

b. recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

c. recommendation - Town Administrator and Director of Public Works

- D2.** Elisio Castro on behalf of Bristol Sports Club, 417 Wood Street, request for a Bingo License on Thursday, May 22, 2025 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM.

a. recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

b. recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

- D3.** Charles MacDonough, Bristol Fourth of July Committee - Request for Mobile Food Truck Establishment Event Permit for Outdoor Concert Series at Roger Williams University, June 21, 2025 - July 2, 2025 from 5:30 PM - 10:00 PM

a. recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

b. recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

D4. Angela Cabral on behalf of Franklin Court Assisted Living, 180 Franklin Street - request for a Bingo License on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, from 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm.

a. recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

E. Licensing Board - Renewals

F. Petitions - Other

F1. Maria Andrade, 28 Shaws Lane re resolution for removal of accessible parking space **(2nd reading)**

a. (draft) Resolution

F2. Health Equity Zone (HEZ) request council consideration to adopt a Proclamation Declaring May as Mental Health Awareness Month and a Public Service Announcement for the May 9, 2025 Suicide Prevention Ribbon Project

a. (draft) Proclamation

F3. Stephen J. Elmasian, Co-Chairman, Armenian National Committee of Rhode Island request to fly Armenian Flag at Bristol Town Hall on April 24, 2023

a. memo from Clerk of Canvassers Cordeiro re qualifying signatures received

F4. Allison Borges, 6 Domenic Court and Mark Overy, 39 Spring Street re Voter Initiative to enact a proposed ordinance to establish the permanent venue for the Bristol 4th of July Concert Series

a. memo from Clerk of Canvassers Cordeiro re qualifying signatures received

F5. Allison Borges, 6 Domenic Court and Mark Overy, 39 Spring Street re Voter Initiative to enact a proposed ordinance establishing the Bristol Fourth of July parade route into law and require voter approval for any modification

a. memo from Clerk of Canvassers Cordeiro re qualifying signatures received

G. Appointments

G1. Capital Project Commission (1 five-year term set to expire May 2030)

a. Charles Coelho, 120 Hopeworth Avenue - not seeking reappointment

H. Old Business

I. Other New Business Requiring Town Council Action

I1. Public Notice from CRMC re 115 Aaron Avenue, Bristol -

a. recommendation - Town Administrator and Harbor Master

b. recommendation - Bristol Harbor Commission

c. recommendation - Town Administrator and Director on Community Development

I2. Harbor Master Marsili re proposed Ordinance changes to Chapter 8, Sec 72 Independence Park Boat Ramp (Vehicle load restrictions)

I3. (Draft) Resolution - Recommendation to State Legislature to Amend R.I.G.L. § 44-3.3 and R.I.G.L. § 45-13-5.1

CF. Citizens Public Forum

PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK DURING THE CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM MUST NOTIFY THE COUNCIL CLERK PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING

J. Bills & Expenditures

J1. Bid No. 1060 Professional Auditing Services

a. Bid Tabulation Sheet

J2. Bid No 1061 Marina Trash Skimmer

a. Bid Tabulation Sheet

J3. Bid No. 1062 - Spring 2025 Tree Sourcing and Delivery

J4. Bid No. 1063 - Gibson Road Shoreline Improvements

K. Special Reports

K1. BCWA Tri-Town Monthly Report - March 27, 2025

L. Town Solicitor

M. Executive Sessions

M1. Town Administrator Contente requests for Executive Session Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-5 (a) (5), acquisition/disposition of public property

Consent Agenda Items:

(CA) AA. Submission of Minutes - Boards and Commissions

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to receive and place these items on file"

(CA) AA1. Bristol Fire Department Board of Engineers Meeting Minutes- March 31, 2025

(CA) AA2. Housing Authority Meeting Minutes - March 13, 2025

(CA) AA3. Rogers Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes - February 27, 2025

(CA) AA4. Zoning Board Meeting Minutes - February 10, 2025

(CA) AA5. Historic District Commission Meeting Minutes - March 6, 2025

(CA) AA6. Historic District Commission Meeting Minutes - March 19, 2025

(CA) BB. Budget Adjustments

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to approve these adjustments"

(CA) CC. Financial Reports

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to receive and place these items on file"

(CA) CC1. Treasurer Carulli Year-to-Date Budget Report - April 2025

(CA) DD. Proclamations, Resolutions & Citations

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to adopt these Proclamations, Resolutions and Citations as prepared and presented"

- (CA) DD1. Resolution - Bristol Fourth of July Celebration 2025 (signed)
- (CA) DD2. Resolution - Restoration of General Revenue Sharing to Cities and Towns (signed)
- (CA) DD3. Resolution 2025-3-26-F1- Support of Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns 2025 Legislative Priorities (signed)
- (CA) DD4. Citation - Mt. Hope Huskies Boys Basketball Team (signed)
- (CA) DD5. Proclamation - Earth Day 2025 (signed)

(CA) EE. Utility Petitions

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to approve these petitions"

- (CA) EE1. Narragansett Electric and Verizon request to install a new pole on State Street, Southwest of Wood Street
 - a. recommendation - Town Administrator and Director of Public Works

(CA) FF. City & Town Resolutions Not Previously Considered

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to receive and place these items on file"

- (CA) FF1. Town of Hopkinton - Resolution Requesting to Restore Revenue Sharing
- (CA) FF2. Town of Hopkinton - Opposition to RI 2025 Gun Control Legislation
- (CA) FF3. Town of Exeter - Resolution 2025-02 Opposition to RI 2025 Gun Control Legislation
- (CA) FF4. Town of Exeter - Resolution No. 2025-03 Restoration of General Revenue Sharing
- (CA) FF5. Town of Narragansett - Resolution No. 2025-04 Support of Senate Bill S-57 and House Bill H-5393 re Maintenance of Sidewalks

- (CA) FF6. Burrillville Town Council - Resolution No. 25-11 in support of House Bill 2025-H 5634 and Senate Bill 2025-S 0114 Affordable Prescription Drug Costs Act
- (CA) FF7. Town of Charlestown - Resolution in Support of the RI General Assembly Bill 2025- H5957
- (CA) FF8. Town of Tiverton Resolution No. 2025-0014 Opposition to RI 2025 Gun Control Legislation

(CA) GG. Distributions/Communications

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to receive and place these items on file"

- (CA) GG1. Town Administrator Contente - Certificate of Recognition, James Russo
- (CA) GG2. Run 4 the Kidz - Map of Race, September 7, 2025 - **(requested by Town Council 3/26/25)**
- (CA) GG3. Town Administrator Contente - 2024 Town of Bristol Annual Report
- (CA) GG4. Erin Donovan-Boyle, President & CEO, Greater Newport Chamber of Commerce and Connect Greater Newport
- (CA) GG5. Lori Caron Silveira, RITBA Executive Director re: Mount Hope Bridge Maintenance and Rehabilitation

(CA) HH. Distributions/Notice of Meetings

(Office copy only)

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to receive and place these items on file"

- (CA) HH1. Bristol Fourth of July Committee - General Committee Meeting - April 8, 2025
- (CA) HH2. Planning Board Meeting (Revised) - April 10, 2025
- (CA) HH3. Board of Canvassers Meeting - April 3, 2025
- (CA) HH4. Conservation Commission Meeting - April 1, 2025
- (CA) HH5. Bristol County Water Authority Board of Directors Meeting - March 27, 2025
- (CA) HH6. Zoning Board of Review (Amended) Meeting - April 7, 2025

- (CA) HH7. Town Council Budget Workshop Schedule (meeting canceled) - March 24, 2025
- (CA) HH8. Bristol Fourth of July Committee BINGO sub-committee Meeting - March 31, 2025
- (CA) HH9. Bristol Fourth of July Committee Pickleball sub-committee Meeting - March 31, 2025
- (CA) HH10. Bristol Fourth of July Committee Freedom Raffle sub-committee Meeting - April 3, 2025
- (CA) HH11. Bristol Fourth of July Committee BALL sub-committee Meeting - March 31, 2025
- (CA) HH12. Coastal Resources Management Council Meeting - April 8, 2025
- (CA) HH13. Bristol Housing Authority Meeting - April 10, 2025
- (CA) HH14. Bristol Fourth of July, Wine Tasting Sub Committee Meeting - April 21, 2025
- (CA) HH15. Bristol Fourth of July, Promotions and Events Sub Committee Meeting - April 21, 2025
- (CA) HH16. Bristol Fourth of July, Music & Entertainment Concerts Sub Committee Meeting - April 24, 2025
- (CA) HH17. Rogers Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting - April 17, 2025
- (CA) HH18. Zoning Board of Review Meeting - May 5, 2025

(CA) II. Claims (Referrals)

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to refer these items to the Insurance Committee and at its discretion to the Interlocal Trust"

- (CA) III1. Kyle Mello, 7 Mt. Pleasant Avenue - claim

(CA) JJ. Miscellaneous Items Requiring Council Approval

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to approve these items"

- (CA) KK. **Curb cut petitions as approved by the director of public works**

Approval of consent agenda = "motion to grant these curb cuts per the recommendation of, and conditions specified by, the Director of Public Works"

(CA) KK1. Michael Payne, 5 San Antonio Avenue re for curb cut request

a. recommendation- Town Administrator and Director of Public Works

Adjourned: _____

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Posted: April 18, 2025