

Town of North Kingstown



Town Council Meeting

Monday, January 23, 2023

Town Hall Council Chambers

80 Boston Neck Road

6:30 PM

Town Council

Council President
Gregory A. Mancini

Council Members
Katherine K. Anderson
Lawrence C. Mandel
Matthew B. McCoy
Dr. Kimberly Ann Page

Agenda

- 1 Call to Order
- 2 Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(c), notice of this meeting has been posted on the Secretary of State's website
- 3 Salute to Flag
- 4 Public Comment
Those wishing to speak are respectfully requested to limit their comments to 3 minutes

I. SPECIAL BUSINESS

- 5 Discussion of Legislative Priorities with the North Kingstown Legislative Delegation - Topics are, but not limited to:
Submitted by the Town Council
 - *Route 4 Traffic Lights
 - *Affordable Housing funding/resources
 - *Increased state aid, increased federal resources. (See attached memorandum from Gregory Mancini for a more specific explanation)

Submitted by Harbor Management Commission and Harbor Master
*Presentation/Amendment to RIGL 46-4-6.4 – pertaining to “houseboats”

Submitted by Town Clerk and Town Solicitor
*Ratification of Amendments to the Charter – approved by the voters on November 8, 2022

Submitted by School Committee
*Post-retirement employment cap suspension
*Increase State Aid for Education that includes:
- Modifications to state aid/funding formula
- Advancing school safety
- Universal Pre-K
- Free lunch for all
- Mental Health Funding similar to S-2440
- Social Worker/student ratios similar to S-2176
*RIGL 13-13-3. Change law to separate out “gross misconduct” that would allow for immediate termination.

- 6 Presentation/Receipt of Donation - Five (5) Framed Original Paintings and Prints to be displayed at the Town Hall
- 7 Introduction/Presentation of Municipal Office Building Renovation Project

II. PUBLIC HEARING

- 8 Class B-Full Alcoholic Beverage, Victualling, Amusement, Billiard, Jukebox, Dance, and Entertainment Licenses (renewal) - S.A.T. Enterprises Inc., dba Wickford Tavern aka Duffy's Tavern, 235 Tower Hill Road
- 9 Class B-Full Alcoholic Beverage License and Victualling License (renewal) - Wickford Diner LLC, dba Wickford Oyster Bar, 95 Brown Street (continued from January 9, 2023)

III. CONSENT AGENDA – Items 10 thru 17

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- 10 Acceptance of a Grant from the Thomas and Erma Wood Peirce Cemetery Fund in the amount of \$437.00

- 11 Receipt of Donation - \$25.00
- 12 Receipt of Donations - \$120.00 to be used by the North Kingstown Animal Shelter to assist in the care and shelter of animals
- 13 Ratification of Town Manager's approval of an emergency replacement of a water heater - North Kingstown Golf Course - \$22,400.00 (Funding is from FY2023 - Golf Course Special Projects Account)
- 14 Letter of Resignation - Danny Humbyrd resigning from the Library Board of Trustees
- 15 Refuse Collector - Commercial Not for Hire License (renewal) - Tim Flynn, 151 Sachem Road
- 16 Request that the North Kingstown Legislative Delegation submit Legislation – Ratification of amendments to the Home Rule Charter
- 17 Request that the North Kingstown Legislative Delegation submit Legislation - Amendment to RIGL 46-4-6.4, entitled, Town of North Kingstown - Powers conferred - relative to "houseboats"

IV. REPORTS

- 18 Report by the Town Manager
- 19 Town Manager's Update on “Annex/Old Library” Building Project
- 20 Report by the Finance Director
YTD Budget Report

V. NEW BUSINESS

- 21 Coastal Resources Management Council Application Number 1995-08-013 to allow the William J. Sabo GST Exempt Trust, c/o Peter Sabo, to construct and maintain an existing dock, realign it, and add a 150 sf. float, 497 Shore Acres Avenue
- 22 Groundwater Committee - one (1) member to July 1, 2024, to fill the unexpired term of Richard Graefe (continued from December 19, 2022)
- 23 Wickford Advisory Committee - one (1) Wickford Village Business Owner to October 1, 2023, to fill the unexpired term of Jean Miller-Ronci
- 24 National Gun Violence Survivors Week Proclamation

- 25 Recommendation from Audit Committee regarding Ordinance 14-25, entitled, "Whistleblower Complaints"
- 26 Correspondence

VI. ADJOURNMENT

THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN WILL PROVIDE INTERPRETERS FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING AT ANY MEETING PROVIDED A REQUEST IS RECEIVED THREE (3) DAYS PRIOR TO SAID MEETING BY CALLING 294-3331, EXT. 122.