

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – February 21, 2017  
BUSINESS AGENDA

Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

**7:00 P.M.** Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve Executive Session Minutes of February 6, 2017; Executive Session Minutes of January 17, 2017; Accept the following monthly financial/activity report: Town Clerk.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT**

- 02/12/17 260<sup>th</sup> Hopkinton Anniversary/HHA 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Joint Event at Town Hall
- 02/13/17 Department of Business Regulation Meeting
- 02/13/17 First Town Budget Workshop Meeting

**OLD BUSINESS**

Discuss, consider and vote on authorizing the Town Manager to draft a letter to be signed by all five Town Councilors withdrawing the original letter of support for the TIGER Grant re: RIDOT proposed Transit Hub.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Consider scheduling a work session with Chariho Task Force on Substance Abuse Prevention, requested by Policy Development Coordinator Astrid Meijer.
2. Discuss, consider and vote on a Resolution in support of written testimony submitted by the Town of Glocester to the Special Legislative Commission to Study the Low and Moderate Income Housing Act. See attached.
3. Discuss, consider and vote on authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise vacancies on Boards and Commissions.

**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:**

1. Accept Harry Bjorkland's resignation from Zoning Board of Review.
2. Consider appointment to Land Trust Board of Trustees.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**ADJOURN**

If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation by any person, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 377-7777 (V) or 377-7773 (TDD) at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

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**TOWN OF HOPKINTON  
RESOLUTION  
IN SUPPORT OF WRITTEN TESTIMONY SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN OF GLOCESTER  
TO THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LOW AND MODERATE  
INCOME HOUSING ACT**

**WHEREAS:** A special legislative commission was created by resolution No. 207 passed by the House of Representatives at its January session, 2016, and approved May 4, 2016, entitled "House Resolution Creating a Special Legislative Commission To Study the Low and Moderate Income Housing Act"; and

**WHEREAS:** That special legislative commission has formed and begun to meet to discuss issues related to the implementation to RIGL 45-53, the Low and Moderate Income Housing Act; and

**WHEREAS:** The special legislative commission has specifically asked for input from municipalities that have not met the legislative mandates of RIGL 45-53; and

**WHEREAS:** The Town of Gloucester has compiled written testimony outlining issues facing rural municipalities in implementing the mandates of RIGL 45-53; and

**WHEREAS:** The issues outlined by the Town of Gloucester are consistent with the issues facing the Town of Hopkinton in its implementation of RIGL 45-53; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hopkinton Town Council views the current Low and Moderate Income Housing Act as unrealistic in its requirements, particularly as they relate to the more rural areas of the State and provides its full support to the issues and recommendations outlined in the written testimony submitted to the Special Legislative Commission to Study the Low and Moderate Income Housing Act by the Town of Gloucester.

Adopted: February 21, 2017

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin  
Town Clerk