

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – June 21, 2021
BUSINESS AGENDA
Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

**NOTICE
MEETING BEING HELD REMOTELY**

Understanding the people have a vested interest in the operation of their government, the Hopkinton Town Council intends to include the public on June 21, 2021. However, due to the COVID-19 virus, the Council wants to be sure that everyone will do so safely from their own homes. Therefore, this meeting will be held remotely using Zoom.

To get the most out of the remote meeting technology, participants are urged to join by computer when possible. Joining by computer allows you to see the Town Council members on-screen and makes it easier to use the functions for indicating you wish to speak and muting/un-muting yourself.

To attend the meeting, please connect in by 6:30 PM. **Note:** Participants will not be able to connect before the host begins the session, and anyone trying to connect who are unable to do so should try again after 6:30 PM.

To Join meeting by computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83022943969?pwd=SGtkUVNSWXgzTXZ4YU52bmJmdENyUT09>

Meeting ID: 830 2294 3969 - Passcode: 939803

To Join meeting by telephone:

Dial 877 853 5247 or 888 788 0099 Meeting ID: 830 2294 3969# - Passcode (if asked): 939803

****Citizens wishing to speak during public forum:**

Any participants wishing to speak during the public forum should indicate so as early as possible. The Zoom meeting has a 'Raise your hand' indicator that you enable to let the host know you wish to speak.

To 'Raise your hand' in Zoom:

By Computer:

Click "raise hand" from the Zoom menu bar and wait for the meeting host to ask you to unmute. Once asked to unmute, press "unmute" to unmute and speak.

By Phone:

Dial *9 to "raise your hand" and wait for the meeting host to ask you to unmute. Once asked to unmute, dial *6 to unmute and speak.

"Please remember when making a public comment to state your name and address before speaking."

Please note: Because of ever-changing regulations due to the COVID-19 virus, this meeting may be cancelled. Please check the Town of Hopkinton website www.hopkintonri.org for updates on these meetings and other important Town or COVID-19 information.

Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin
Council Clerk/Town Clerk

"Please remember when making comments to state your name before speaking."

6:30 P.M. 90-MINUTE QPR (SUICIDE PREVENTION) TRAINING

8:00 P.M. Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve Town Council Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2021; Accept the following monthly financial/activity report: Town Clerk; Approve refund due to overpayment by taxpayer on 2020 R.E. tax.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS:

DECISION -

1. Discuss, consider and vote on a motion to either approve or reject an amendment to Chapter 134 Zoning Ordinance, Section 5 District Use Table to prohibit any additional/gas diesel stations following completion and closing of the public hearing on June 7, 2021:

Proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, Appendix A; Chapter 135 Section 5 District Use Regulations are shown in bold italics:

Section 5 – District Use Regulations.

District Use Table – P = Permitted N = Prohibited S = Special Use Permit A = Aquifer Protection Permit

Use Category	RFR-80	RES-1	NB	Comm.	Mnufct.	Aquifer Overlay	
						Primary	Secondary
554 Gasoline Service Stations	N	N	N	P	S	N	A

Proposed amendments in bold italics:

<i>554 Gasoline Diesel Service Stations</i>	<i>N</i>						
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2. Finalize Town Manager job posting and authorize the Town Clerk to post the position.
3. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to appoint Clifford Heil to Potter Hill Dam Information Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss, consider and vote to adopt Financial Resolutions and Tax Resolution for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021. See attached.
2. RIDEM Wyoming Upper Reservoir Dam Repairs.
3. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to approve the pay-out of 160 hours of Compensatory Time, the amount accrued in fiscal year FY20/21, to Acting Town Manager Brian Rosso.

PUBLIC FORUM

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recess to Executive Session under:

1. R.I.G.L. 42-46-5(a)(4) Any investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct, either civil or criminal.”

Reconvene in Open Session.

Statement by the Council President that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

Consider and vote on Motion to Seal the minutes of the Executive Session.

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.

Posting Details: Town Hall, Police Station, Hopkinton Website, Secretary of State Website. Posting date: June 17, 2021

**TOWN OF HOPKINTON, RI
FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS**

RESOLUTION NO. 1

RESOLVED: In accordance with R.I.G.L. 44-5-2(c) (4), that the electors of the Town of Hopkinton qualified to vote on any proposal to impose a tax or for the expenditure of money, in a Town Financial Referendum, lawfully assembled on the 8th day of June A.D. 2021 and rejected the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. The estimated tax rate for Real and Tangible property is \$18.53 a, increase/decrease of \$0.25 from the current rate of \$18.28. The tax rate for Motor Vehicles is \$21.18.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

RESOLVED: That the Town Finance Director be and is hereby authorized and empowered to credit to any appropriations fund any receipts or donations which apply against that fund and all others not so designated to the General Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

RESOLVED: That the several appropriations specified be expended under the direction and supervision of the Town Council, except those pertaining to public school, bills payable, and interest which sum shall be disbursed and paid out by the Town Finance Director.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

RESOLVED: That the Town Finance Director of the Town of Hopkinton be and is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow upon the credit of the Town as the same may be necessary during the present Fiscal Year such sum or sums as may be required to meet the expenses and obligations of the Town, provided however, that such loans shall not at any time exceed the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000.00).

RESOLUTION NO. 5

RESOLVED: That the over-expenditures in the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget, identified by the Town Finance Director, are hereby approved.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED:

ATTEST: _____
Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin
Town Clerk

TAX RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Town Council of the Town of Hopkinton based on the budget adopted by vote of the Town Council on June 21, 2021 pursuant to section 2370 of the Hopkinton Town Charter following rejection of the proposed FY 2021/2022 budget by the voters at the Financial Town Referendum on June 8, 2021, hereby impose a tax levy at a Town Council Meeting held this 21st day of June 2021, and order the apportionment and collection of a tax on the ratable real estate and tangible personal property in a sum not less than \$19,600,413 and not more than \$20,600,413. Said tax is for ordinary expenses and charges of the Town, for payment of interest and indebtedness, and for the purposes authorized by Law. The Assessor shall apportion said respective taxes upon the assessed valuations of the ratable property of said Town as determined by the said Assessor of the Town as of the 31st day of December A.D. 2021, at twelve o'clock midnight, according to Law. The said respective Tax Levies shall be applied to the assessment roll as aforesaid and the resulting tax roll certified by the Assessor to the Town Clerk not later than the 15th day of July A.D. 2021. The Town Clerk on receipt of said completed tax roll shall forthwith make a copy of the same and deliver it to the Town Finance Director, who shall forthwith issue and affix to said copy a Warrant under his hand, directed to the Collector of Taxes of said Town, commanding her to proceed and collect said taxes of the persons and estates liable therefore. Said Taxes shall be due and payable on and between the first day of August and the eighth day of September A.D. 2021 next, and/or may be paid in equal quarterly installments, the first installment of twenty-five per centum on or before the eighth day of September A.D. 2021, and the remaining installments as follows:

Twenty-five per centum on the eighth day of December A.D. 2021, twenty-five per centum on the eighth day of March A.D. 2022 and twenty-five per centum on the eighth day of June A.D. 2022. Each installment of taxes, if paid on or before the last day of each installment period, successively and in order shall be free from all charge for interest.

EXCEPTING HOWEVER, that where the combined total of said tax and additional tax levied is an amount not in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) it shall be due and payable in a single installment on and between the first day of August and the eighth day of September A.D. 2021.

If the first installment or any succeeding installment of taxes is not paid by the last date of the respective installment period, or periods, as they occur, then the unpaid quarterly payments shall be due and payable immediately and shall bear interest on any unpaid quarterly payments at the rate of twelve (12) per centum, per annum.

RESOLVED: That the Collector of Taxes shall collect and pay unto this Town's Treasury, as the same is collected, the tax this day ORDERED.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED:

ATTEST: _____ Town Clerk
Elizabeth J. Cook-Martin