

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – May 16, 2022
BUSINESS AGENDA
Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

**NOTICE
HYBRID MEETING BEING HELD IN PERSON AND REMOTE (HYBRID)**

Understanding the people have a vested interest in the operation of their government, the Hopkinton Town Council intends to include the public on May 16, 2022. However, due to the COVID-19 virus, the Council wants to be sure that everyone can do so safely from their own homes. Therefore, this hybrid meeting will be held in person and remotely using Zoom.

To get the most out of the hybrid meeting technology, participants can 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 remotely, please connect in by 7:00 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 7:00 PM.

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.
When: May 16, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Topic: Town Council Meeting – May 16, 2022 - Hybrid

REMOTE MEETING ACCESS:

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

Webinar ID: 814 1006 0033
Passcode: 910096
Dial-In Number: 1-312-626-6799

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81410060033?pwd=QThwRklYQ2NmcFVIQUI2TVA5OWI6dz09>

****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

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

Call to Order and Roll Call

Public Comment

Acknowledgments and Announcements:

- Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP): high speed internet affordability program for ACP-eligible families.

Approval of Agenda Order

Consent Agenda

Approve Town Council Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2022; May 3, 2022 Financial Town Assembly Minutes; Set June 6, 2022 as a hearing date for a Multi-Event Permit for three musical events for their seasonal campers filed by Holly Tree Campground; Accept the following monthly financial/activity report: Town Clerk; Approve refund resulting from a taxpayer overpayment on 2021 real property tax roll submitted by the Tax Collector.

Approval of Consent Agenda

PUBLIC HEARING:

MOTION TO SIT AS A LICENSING BOARD

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT

1. Open a hearing on an application for a Special Event Permit filed by Steven Minick on behalf of the Ashaway Sportsman Club for the annual Huck Finn Day co-sponsored by the Recreation Department scheduled for Sunday, June 5, 2022 from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM (rain date: Sunday, June 12, 2022) to be held at Crandall Field, 188 Main Street, Ashaway, RI 02804.

Application complete/consider waivers.

Discussion.

Discuss, consider and possibly vote to grant approval to the Special Event Permit.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AS LICENSING BOARD AND RECONVENE AS COUNCIL

New Business

1. Discuss and consider scheduling dates for workshops re: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds.
2. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to support HB 7180 and companion bill SB 2311 Relating to Human Services - Social and Human Services Programs Rate Review and Rate Setting Process Act of 2022.
3. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to participate in the RI Department of Health Services Water Bill Assistance Program and authorize the Town Manager to sign the 2022-2023 RI Low-Income Home Water Assistance (LIHWAP) Program Agreement.

Unfinished Business

1. Discuss, consider and vote on a motion to either approve or reject a proposed text amendment to the Town's Zoning Ordinance District Use Table to allow electric charging stations in commercial, manufacturing and neighborhood business zones including the two current gas stations following completion and closing of the public hearing on May 2, 2022.
2. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to oppose proposed legislation HB 8220 Relating to Taxation- Levy and Assessment of Local Taxes.
3. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to re-adopt an updated and revised FY 2022/2023 budget to include the Chariho School District's most recent budget figures.

Public Comment

Adjournment

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, Hopkinton Post Office, Police Station, Hopkinton Website, Secretary of State Website. Posting date: May 12, 2022