

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – June 20, 2022
BUSINESS AGENDA
Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

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

Understanding the people have a vested interest in the operation of their government, the Hopkinton Town Council intends to include the public on June 20, 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: June 20, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
Topic: Town Council Meeting – June 20, 2022 - Hybrid

REMOTE MEETING ACCESS:

Webinar ID: 875 8137 4573

Passcode: 212668

Dial-In Number: 1-646-558-8656

Weblink:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87581374573?pwd=VEFZbjQrTlpDRWNRNStYcTM2bit2UT09>

****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. Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve Town Council Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2022; Accept the following monthly financial/activity report: Town Clerk; Set July 5, 2022 as a hearing date for a Multi-Event Permit filed by Little Rhody Lobster.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENTS

1. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to accept Tom Thompsons resignation from the Land Trust Board of Trustees.
2. Discuss and consider posting the Land Trust Board of Trustees vacancy on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to award the bids for the following RFP:
 - Winter Sand
2. Discuss, consider and vote to adopt Financial Resolutions and the Tax Resolution for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022. See attached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA):
 - Discuss, consider and possibly vote to approve the American Rescue Plan Act Funds project list for the Town of Hopkinton; with the contribution to emergency services contingent upon the Town of Richmond approving their requested contribution.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

1. Town Planner/Planning Board Memorandum re: Growth Management Ordinance Review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recess to Executive Session under:

1. RIGL sec. 42-46-5 (a)(2) Sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation - the discussion will be about contract(s) for solid waste disposal; RIGL 42-46-5 (a)(7) A matter related to the question of the investment of public funds where the premature disclosure would adversely affect the public interest and RIGL sec. 42-46-5 (a)(5) Potential Property Acquisition.

Reconvene in Open Session.

Council President statement that no votes were taken during the Executive Session.

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

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, Hopkinton Website, Secretary of State Website.

Posting date: June 16, 2022

**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 14th day of June A.D. 2022 and **approved** the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. The estimated tax rate for Real and Tangible property is \$18.53 no increase from the current rate of \$18.53. The tax rate for Motor Vehicles is \$20.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

RESOLVED: the voters of the Town of Hopkinton in consideration of the questions on the June 14, 2022 Town Financial Referendum Ballot did approve the following:

Local Question 1 - Resolution restricting the unspent balance remaining in the Legal Fees - Solicitor line item #01-000-5225 and the unspent balance remaining in the Litigation & Collective Bargaining line item #01-000-5226 in the 2021/2022 Fiscal Year General Government Budget to be placed into the Legal Fees Restricted Account.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

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. 4

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. 5

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. 6

RESOLVED: That the over-expenditures in the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget, identified by the Town Finance Director, are hereby approved.

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 20, 2022 pursuant to section 2370 of the Hopkinton Town Charter following **approval** of the proposed FY 2022/2023 budget by the voters at the Financial Town Referendum on June 14, 2022, hereby impose a tax levy at a Town Council Meeting held this 20th day of June 2022, and order the apportionment and collection of a tax on the ratable real estate and tangible personal property in a sum not less than \$18,918,218 and not more than \$19,918,218. 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. 2022. 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 her 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. 2022 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. 2022, and the remaining installments as follows:

Twenty-five per centum on the eighth day of December A.D. 2022, twenty-five per centum on the eighth day of March A.D. 2023 and twenty-five per centum on the eighth day of June A.D. 2023. 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. 2022.

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.