



BRIDGEWATER TOWN COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To attend via video, click on the link below:

[Link to Join 11/24/2020 Town Council Meeting](#)

To attend via phone, dial: 1(646) 876-9923

Meeting ID: 987 3502 1374

MEETING AGENDA

Disclosure: Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Bridgewater Town Council will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. There will be no in person attendance permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Facebook Live.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) November 10, 2020

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

- a) Board of Health – *William Prince*
- b) Housing Authority – *Stacy Driscoll*
- c) Elder Affairs (Associate Member) - *Karen Aicher*

F. HEARINGS

- a) **7:05 p.m.:** Petition P-2020-020: Pole Location – Plymouth Street and Mill Street
- b) **7:08 p.m.:** Petition P-2020-021: Transfer of On-Premises All Alcohol License - from Tracy Thai Rit dba, The Chatta Box to LFHM, LLC, dba The Chatta Box
- c) **7:10 p.m.:** Petition P-2020-022: Pole Location – New Pole – Plymouth Street

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

- a) Petition P-2020-023: New Common Victualler's License – LFHM, LLC, dba, The Chatta Box

H. PRESENTATIONS

- a) Charter Review Committee Update – *Ed Ivaldi, Chair*

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Mitchell School Update (*Standing Item*)
- b) COVID-19 Update
- c) Fire Building Committee Update
- d) Update on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- e) Training for Boards, Committees, Commissions – *Cultural Awareness and Diversity*
- f) Items for Next Meeting:

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Ordinance D-FY21-004: General Ordinance - Amend Section III "Council Meetings" of the Council Rules and Procedures

This measure was not referred to any committee It has been duly advertised in the Enterprise and on the Town's website, therefore may be finally considered this evening.

b) Order O-FY21-024: Waive Annual Licensing Fees – 2021

The Budget & Finance Committee meet 11/23/20. They will provide their disposition to the full Council. The Finance Committee meet 11/23/20. Their disposition will be provided upon receipt. This measure may be finally considered this evening pending dispositions from the Budget & Finance and Finance Committees.

c) Resolution R-FY21-002: Town Council Meeting Dates - 2021

This measure was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVIII of the Council Rules & Procedures; therefore it may be finally considered this evening.

M. OLD BUSINESS - None

N. NEW BUSINESS

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

R. ADJOURNMENT



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Council Petition: P-2020-020

Date Introduced/Public Hearing: November 24, 2020

Amendments Adopted:

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

Petition: P-2020-020

Relative to:

PETITION TO INSTALL NEW P2-5 BETWEEN P2 AND P3 – SOUTH SIDE OF ROAD

The following is excerpted from the petition submitted by the proponent:

PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

July 24, 2020

To the Town Council
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request permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways:

Plymouth St and Mill St

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Wherefore they pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as they may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked:

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

Plan No. 28485846 Dated 6/14/2019

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: Eric Widman
Eric Widman, Manager of Distribution Design

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

By: Daryl Crossman
Daryl Crossman, Manager, R.O.W.
7/30/2020

WHEREAS, the petitioner has complied with the requirements of the Town of Bridgewater and applicable state laws; and, WHEREAS, the Bridgewater Town Council, acting as the Legislative body of the Town has such licensing authority and with the recommendation of the Highway Superintendant which has oversight authority, it appears that the public good so requires such license be granted;

The Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled approve the petition be granted as requested.

ROLL CALL VOTE: REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING



July 24, 2020

Town of Bridgewater
Town Council
25 South Street
Bridgewater, MA 02324

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a petition of NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC pole locations

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact:

Wendy Paluch 401-267-6627
wendy.paluch@nationalgrid.com

Please notify Ms. Paluch of the hearing date / time.

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to each of the above-named Companies.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Eric Widman".

Eric Widman: Distribution Design Supervisor
Supervisor, Distribution Design

Enclosures

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7/30/2020

ORDER FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

July 24th, 2020

To the Board of Selectmen
of the City of Bridgewater

Notice having been given and public hearing held, as provided by law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: that **MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.** be and they are hereby granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Companies dated the **24th day of July**

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:-

Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonably straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked--

Plan No. **28485846** Dated **6/14/2019** filed with this order.

There may attached to said poles by said **MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY** not to exceed twenty wires and by said **VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.** not to exceed forty wires and four aerial cables, and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than eighteen feet from the ground.

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Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, held on the _____ day of _____,

Clerk of Selectmen

We hereby certify that on _____, at _____ o'clock, _____ M.
at _____ a public hearing was held on the petition of the
MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.

for permission to erect the poles, wires, cables, fixtures and connections described in the order
herewith recorded, and that we mailed at least seven days before said hearing a written notice of the
time and place of said hearing to each the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding
assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which the Companies are permitted
to erect poles, wires, cables, fixtures and connections under said order. And that thereupon said
order was duly adopted.

Selectmen of the Town of

Bridgewater, Massachusetts

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a joint location order and certificate of hearing with notice
adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, on the _____ day of
_____, recorded with the records of location orders of said Town,
Book _____, Page _____.

This certified copy is made under the provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto or
amendments thereof.

Attest:

Town Clerk

Pole & UG Petition/Permit Request Form

City
Town of Bridgewater WR # 28485846
(circle one)

Install 1 SO
(quantity) JO Poles on Mill St
(circle one) (street name)

Remove _____ SO
(quantity) JO Poles on _____
(circle one) (street name)

Relocate _____ SO
(quantity) JO Poles on _____
(circle one) (street name)

Beginning at a point approximately 315 feet Northeast of the centerline
(distance) (compass heading)

of the intersection of Plymouth St and Mill St
(street name)

and continuing approximately - _____ feet in a - _____ direction.
(distance) (compass heading)

Install underground facilities:

Street(s) _____

Description of Work:

Installing (1) New P2-5 between P2 and P3 on the south side of the road ~16' from the centerline of the road, in line with existing pole line.

ENGINEER Robert Reis

DATE 6/14/19

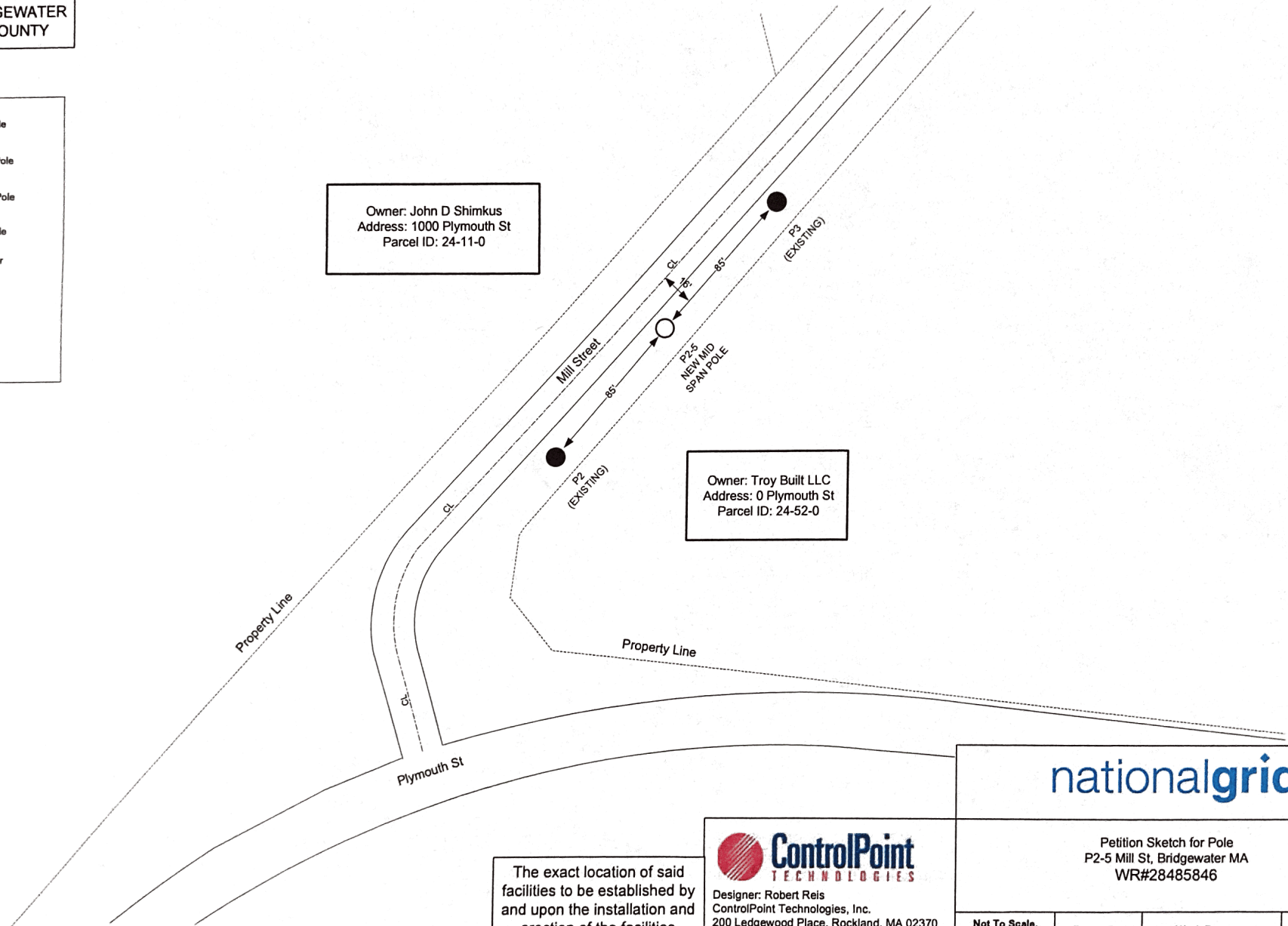
PETITION SKETCH
TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
PLYMOUTH COUNTY

LEGEND

- Existing JO Pole
- Proposed JO Pole
- ✕ Proposed SO Pole
- ⊗ Existing SO Pole
- └ Existing Anchor

Owner: John D Shimkus
Address: 1000 Plymouth St
Parcel ID: 24-11-0

Owner: Troy Built LLC
Address: 0 Plymouth St
Parcel ID: 24-52-0



The exact location of said facilities to be established by and upon the installation and erection of the facilities thereof.



Designer: Robert Reis
ControlPoint Technologies, Inc.
200 Ledgewood Place, Rockland, MA 02370
781-423-3070

nationalgrid

Petition Sketch for Pole
P2-5 Mill St, Bridgewater MA
WR#28485846

SHEET
1 OF 1

Not To Scale.
Distances are
Approximate.

Drawn By:
RCR

Work Request:
28485846

Date:
6/14/19



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Council Petition: P-2020-022

Date Introduced/Public Hearing: November 24, 2020

Amendments Adopted:

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

Petition: P-2020-022

Relative to:

PETITION TO INSTALL NEW POLE – PLYMOUTH STREET

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Installing new pole 100-50 40' CL2

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Plan No. **28273054** Dated **7/29/2019**

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Town Clerk



Owner: Paul Francois & Jean Minose
Address: 1121 Plymouth St
Parcel ID: 24_48_0

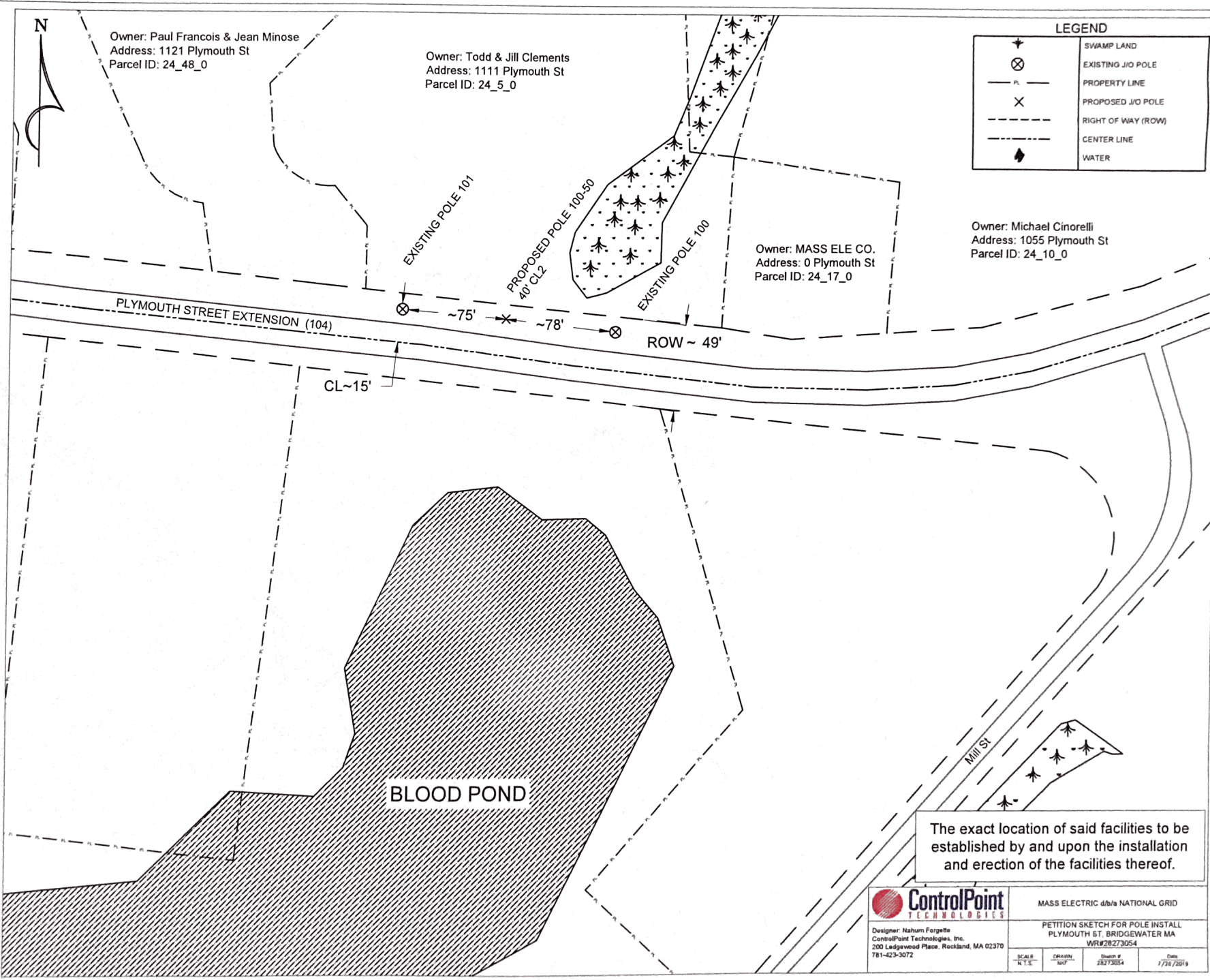
Owner: Todd & Jill Clements
Address: 1111 Plymouth St
Parcel ID: 24_5_0

Owner: MASS ELE CO.
Address: 0 Plymouth St
Parcel ID: 24_17_0

Owner: Michael Cinorelli
Address: 1055 Plymouth St
Parcel ID: 24_10_0

LEGEND

	SWAMP LAND
	EXISTING J/O POLE
	PROPERTY LINE
	PROPOSED J/O POLE
	RIGHT OF WAY (ROW)
	CENTER LINE
	WATER



The exact location of said facilities to be established by and upon the installation and erection of the facilities thereof.

	MASS ELECTRIC d/b/a NATIONAL GRID		
	PETITION SKETCH FOR POLE INSTALL PLYMOUTH ST. BRIDGEWATER MA WR#28273054		
	Designer: Nahum Forgette ControlPoint Technologies, Inc. 200 Ledgewood Place, Rockland, MA 02370 781-423-3072	SCALE: N.T.S.	DATE: 1/30/2019



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Council Ordinance: D-FY21-004

Introduced By:	Councilor Shawn George
Date Introduced:	November 10, 2020
First Reading:	November 10, 2020
Second Reading:	November 24, 2020
Third Reading:	
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Ordinance D-FY21-004

GENERAL ORDINANCE - AMEND SECTION III "COUNCIL MEETINGS" OF THE COUNCIL RULES AND PROCEDURES

WHEREAS, Section III "Council Meetings" of the Town Council's Rules and Procedures reads in part:

"....No agenda item shall be brought forth after 10:30 p.m., unless approved by a majority of the then-present Councilors..." it is therefore;

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled votes to amend Section III to read as follows:

..."Generally, Council meeting should not exceed three hours, therefore, no agenda item shall be brought forward after three hours unless approved by a majority of then-present Councilors..."

Explanation:

This amendment sets a specific timeframe for Council meetings regardless of start time.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
- This measure was not referred to any committee - This measure has been duly advertised in the Enterprise and on the Town's website, therefore may be finally considered this evening.	



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Council Order: O-FY21-024

Introduced By:	Councilors Fitzgibbons and Rushton
Date Introduced	November 10, 2020
First Reading:	November 10, 2020
Second Reading:	November 24, 2020
Amendments Adopted:	
Third Reading:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Order O-FY21-024

WAIVE ANNUAL LICENSING FEES - 2021

Whereas, the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic caused businesses to lose significant revenues, and;

Whereas, a succession of Governor's orders have shut down, limited, or restricted operating hours for almost all businesses, and;

Whereas, the Town of Bridgewater relies upon the commercial tax base to offset the residential tax burden, and;

Whereas, it is in the best interest of residents and businesses in Bridgewater to promote and sustain a vibrant business community, and;

Whereas, the Town issues annual licenses for many businesses and charges an annual licensing fee which increases the cost of doing business, and;

Whereas, the Town Council has expressed its desire to assist the business community in any way it can throughout this pandemic;

ORDERED, in accordance with Section 6-4 of the Bridgewater Home Rule Charter, that the Town Council assembled suspends the collection of local licensing fees for licenses renewing on January 1, 2021 for the following licenses:

- Antique Dealers
- Second Hand Gold/Pawn Shops
- Annual Entertainment Licenses
- Auto Amusement Licenses
- Lodging Houses
- Common Victuallers
- Class I, II, III Auto Dealers
- Alcohol.

Explanation: *This Order would waive business licensing fees due in December 2020 for re-licensing of Bridgewater businesses. This would be effective for this year only and would not waive the licensing process.*

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
• Budget & Finance Committee • Finance Committee	• 11/23/20: • 11/23/20:

ROLL CALL VOTE – REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING.



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Council Resolution: R-FY21-002

Introduced By:	Councilor Shawn George
Date Introduced:	November 10, 2020
First Reading:	November 10, 2020
Second Reading:	November 24, 2020
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Effective Date:	

Resolution R-FY21-002

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING DATES - 2021

WHEREAS: The Bridgewater Town Council Rules and Procedures, Section III Meetings states, "The Town Council will hold regular meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. In the months of June, July and August, the Council will meet monthly on the first Tuesday, following the first Monday"; and

WHEREAS: Adoption of this Resolution, establishes regular meeting dates which are an exception to the aforementioned rule; and

RESOLVED: The following dates are established as regular meetings for the calendar year 2021 and regular meetings will be held in the Academy Building, Council Chambers, 66 Central Square, Bridgewater MA, to the greatest extent possible, beginning at 7:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

FURTHER RESOLVED: Due to COVID-19 restrictions relative to building capacity and social distancing requirements, remote participation for Councilors will be offered while allowable under the revised Open Meeting Law and meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.

January 5, 2021	June 29, 2021*
January 19, 2021	July 13, 2021*
February 2, 2021	August 3, 2021
February 23, 2021*	September 7, 2021
March 9, 2021*	September 21, 2021
March 23, 2021*	October 5, 2021
April 6, 2021	October 19, 2021
April 27, 2021*	November 2, 2021
May 11, 2021*	November 16, 2021
May 25, 2021*	December 7, 2021
June 1, 2021	December 21, 2021

*Exceptions to Section III of the Council Rules and Procedures are noted with an asterisk.

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