



Town of Bridgewater

Town Council

April 4, 2023

7:00 PM

66 Central Square

Academy Building

Council Chambers

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<https://www.facebook.com/bridgewaterma.org>*

MEETING AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) March 21, 2023 Meeting Minutes

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

- a) Arbor Day - April 28, 2023

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

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G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

H. PRESENTATIONS

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Fire Station Update
- b) High Street Bridge Closure
- c) Bristol-Plymouth Debt Exclusion Vote

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Petition P-2023-027: A Resolution in Recognition of Gay Pride Month
This Petition was not referred to any committee. 14 days have elapsed, therefore it may be finally considered this evening.
- b) Resolution R-FY23-006: Annual July 4th Community Celebration
This Resolution was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed, therefore it may be finally considered this evening.

M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Order O-FY23-052: Municipal Electric Aggregation
- b) Order O-FY23-053: Town Clerk's Salary
- c) Budget Order O-FY24-001: FY2024 Annual Town Budget
- d) Budget Order O-FY24-002: FY2024 Water Enterprise Fund
- e) Budget Order O-FY24-003: FY2024 Sewer Enterprise Fund
- f) Budget Order O-FY24-004: FY2024 Transfer Station Enterprise Fund
- g) Budget Order O-FY24-005: Authorization for Revolving Funds
- h) Petition P-2023-028: A Resolution Honoring Juneteenth

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

R. ADJOURNMENT

Town of Bridgewater
Town Council
March 21, 2023
7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being duly present, Town Council President Fred Chase called the meeting of the Bridgewater Town Council to order at 7:00pm on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT

Fred Chase, Dr. Kevin Perry, Mark Linde, Shawn George, Dennis Gallagher, Susan Robins, Erik Moore, Bill Wood and Brad McKinnon (via Zoom)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a) March 7, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Councilor George made a motion to approve the March 7, 2023 meeting minutes, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Abstained; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 8-0-1

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

A moment of silence was held for Mr. John M. Perry, United States Army who passed away on February 24, 2023. Mr. Edward J. Hinko, United States Army who passed away on March 15, 2023. Mr. William Bois, United States Army who passed away on January 27, 2023 and Mr. Harold W. Nelson, United States Marine Corp who passed away on February 28, 2023.

PROCLAMATIONS – None

CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

Marilee Hunt, Austin Street: spoke on behalf of the Chair of the Town House Restoration and asked that the Order on the Frieze restoration be approved.

Sam Baumgarten, Short Street: Thanked Council President Chase and Town Manager Dutton for the State of the Town address. Also spoke about the BCCR and an email that was sent.

Rebecca Fleisch-Cordeiro, Deerfield Drive: Discussed the Gay Pride Flag raising request.

Lou Stone, High Pond Estates: Discussed the possibility of an energy plan and handed out an energy plan.

APPOINTMENTS – None

HEARINGS – None

LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

- a) Petition P-2023-025: The Granting of a Common Victualler License - The Boundless Bean, LLC

Councilor Chase opened the public hearing at 7:18p.m.

Councilor Chase asked if there were any questions from the public – No one spoke.

Councilor Chase asked if anyone from the public wished to speak in favor of the request:

Elena Hogan noted that the Boundless Bean would be hiring people with disabilities. It's a small shop at 10 Summer Street.

Councilor Chase asked if anyone from the public wished to speak in opposition of the request – No One spoke.

Councilor Chase asked if any of the councilors had any questions:

Councilor Moore noted that this sounds like an amazing business venture and he fully supports it.

Councilor Robinson asked Ms. Hogan what inspired her to do this. Ms. Hogan noted that she is an occupational therapist and she has been looking to do something like this for about 15 years.

Councilor Linde also noted that this was a wonderful idea and he fully supports it.

Councilor Chase closed the public hearing at 7:22p.m.

Councilor Linde made a motion to approve the granting of the common victualler license for the Boundless Bean located at 10 Summer Street. The motion was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

- b) Petition P-2023-26: The Granting of the Transfer of a Common Victualler License - Sub Shop Bridgewater dba Subway

Councilor Chase opened the public hearing at 7:23p.m.

Councilor Chase asked if there were any questions from the public – No one spoke.

Councilor Chase asked if anyone from the public wished to speak in favor of the request – No one spoke.

Councilor Chase asked if anyone from the public wished to speak in opposition of the request – No One spoke.

Councilor Chase asked if any of the councilors had any questions:

Dr. Perry noted that he went into the business last week and met the new owners and they are doing a great job and he fully supports the request.

Councilor Chase closed the public hearing at 7:22p.m.

Councilor George made a motion to amend the Petition by correcting the address to 233 Broad Street in the first paragraph. The amendment was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

Councilor Wood made a motion to approve the granting of the common victualler license for Subway located at 233 Broad Street. The motion was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

PRESENTATIONS - None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

a) Fire Station Update

Town Manager Dutton noted that the Fire Station was moving along and grant funding is being pursued.

b) High Street Bridge Closure

Town Manager Dutton noted that an unplanned test of shutting down the road was done today in order for some gas work to be done. Long term shutdown will be from June 15th to October 15th. Notification and detour plan being put into place. Want to spare Oak Street of most of the traffic.

DISCUSSIONS - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

a) Order O-FY23-049: Release of Trustee and Acceptance of Funds, Release of All Restrictions and Covenants, and Declaration of Restrictions for 1185 Pleasant Street

Rules & Procedures met on 3/16/23 and voted 3-0 to return to Town Council with no recommendation. Budget & Finance voted 3-0 to recommend at their 3/21/23. FinCom voted 7-0 to recommend at their 3/13/23 meeting.

Councilor Chase noted that Rules and Procedures met on 3/16/23 and voted 3-0 to return the Order to the Town Council with no recommendation. The committee felt that this Order was not in the purview of the Rules and Procedures Committee.

Councilor Gallagher noted that the Budget and Finance committee met prior to the Town Council meeting and voted 3-0 to recommend.

Councilor George made a motion to approve Order O-FY23-049, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

b) Order O-FY23-050: Capital Plan Leasing Obligation

Budget & Finance meeting voted 3-0 to recommend at their 3/21/23 meeting. FinCom voted 7-0 to recommend at their 3/13/23 meeting

Town Manager Dutton noted that this was the first of two capital orders. Pays for leased vehicle obligations.

Councilor George made a motion to approve Order O-FY23-050, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

c) Order O-FY23-051: Transfer Order: Restoration of Parthenon Frieze

Budget & Finance voted 3-0 to recommend at their 3/21/23 meeting. FinCom voted 5-1 to recommend at their 3/13/23 meeting.

Councilor Gallagher made a motion to approve Order O-FY23-051, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

d) Petition P-2023-024: Town Election Warrant - April 22, 2023

This Order was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed, therefore it may be finally considered this evening.

Councilor Gallagher made a motion to approve Petition P-2023-024, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

a) Petition P-2023-027: A Resolution in Recognition of Gay Pride Month

Councilor Chase noted that he was pleased to bring this Petition forward along with Councilor Moore. Councilor Chase read the Petition into the record.

Councilor Robinson made a motion to keep Petition P-2023-027 with Town Council, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

b) Resolution R-FY23-006: Annual July 4th Community Celebration

Councilor Perry noted that he was bringing this Resolution forward to help with the fundraising for the July 4th committee. Councilor Perry read the Resolution into the record.

Councilor Robinson made a motion to keep Resolution R-2023-027 with Town Council, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Carlton Hunt, Austin Street: Thanked the councilors for voting on the Frieze, looking for an energy order, noted that the Town House roof repair has started and all signs need to go before the historic district commission.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilor McKinnon: Wished everyone a Happy Spring.

Councilor George: No comments tonight.

Councilor Perry: Supports that July 4th committee, hope to be able to raise funds.

Councilor Moore: Thanked Councilor Chase and Town Manager Dutton for the State of the Town address, excited about the Friezes being restored and place at Town Hall and let the councilors know that the Council will have a table at the Juneteenth celebration.

Councilor Robinson: Thanked Councilor Chase and Town Manager Dutton for the State of the Town address, congratulated Subway and Boundless Bean for opening in Bridgewater and thanked BCCR for their work and holding leaders accountable.

Councilor Linde: Thanked Councilor Chase and Town Manager Dutton for the State of the Town address.

Councilor Gallagher: Thanked Councilor Chase and Town Manager Dutton for the State of the Town address; noted that he did not know what a frieze was and it's a great use of CPC funds. Noted that there is a town wide clean up scheduled for April 29th and that there is no place for hate in the Town of Bridgewater and we should stand behind that.

Councilor Wood: Noted that there was an election coming up with a question on the ballot. Hope that the residents will support this question.

Councilor Chase: Noted that there were productive discussions tonight and thanked everyone for their comments about the State of the Town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor George made a motion to adjourn, which was duly seconded.

A voice vote was taken with the results recorded as follows:

Perry – Yea; Linde – Yea; George – Yea; Moore – Yea; Chase – Yea; Gallagher – Yea; McKinnon – Yea; Wood – Yea; Robinson – Yea. Motion passed 9-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:09p.m.

Meeting minutes being submitted in draft form by Debra Ward, Town Council Clerk.

Fred Chase
District 3
President

Erik Moore
District 1
Vice President

Mark Linde
District 2

Kevin Perry
Councilor-At-Large

Town of Bridgewater

OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL



Shawn George
Councilor-At-Large

Bradford McKinnon
Councilor-At-Large

William Wood
Councilor-At-Large

Susan Robinson
Councilor-At-Large

Dennis Gallagher
Councilor-At-Large

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS trees in our town increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS trees — wherever they are planted — are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, does hereby proclaim April 28, 2023, as ARBOR DAY in the Town of Bridgewater, and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and

FURTHER, we urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

Frederick Chase
President

Shawn George
Councilor-At-Large

Mark Linde
District 2

Erik Moore
Vice President

Dennis Gallagher
Councilor at Large

Bradford McKinnon
Councilor-At-Large

Susan Robinson
Councilor-At-Large

Kevin Perry
Councilor-At-Large

William Wood
Councilor-At-Large



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Fred Chase, Councilor
Erik Moore, Councilor
Date Introduced: 3/21/2023
First Reading: 3/21/2023
Second Reading: 4/4/2023
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Petition P-2023-027: A Resolution in Recognition of Gay Pride Month

Whereas, since 2016, the Town of Bridgewater and the members of Bridgewater Communities for Civil Rights have worked together to create a welcoming community, supportive of equality, based on a tradition of equal rights and equal protection for all; and

Whereas, in 2021 and 2022, the elected leaders of the Town of Bridgewater demonstrated their support of an often marginalized and persecuted community – the LGBTQ+ community - by issuing Resolutions declaring Bridgewater to be a safe haven where all people, regardless of their religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation or gender identity, can live in peace, free from hatred and violence; and

Whereas, furthermore, in 2021 and 2022, the Town Council members demonstrated their leadership in supporting the raising of the Pride Flag in front of the Academy Building, the seat of Town government. Many people attended the flag raisings in celebration and support of family, friends, and community; and

Whereas, while Bridgewater may proudly claim support for the members of the LGBTQ+ community, we are witnessing hostile acts by some states restricting the rights of Transgender children to participate in education, sports, and needed medical care; and

Whereas, we are witnessing the increased deadly violence against members of the LGBTQ+ community throughout the country; and

Whereas, our friends, family members, and neighbors remain vulnerable to the increased level of hateful rhetoric directed at minority communities across the country; and

Be it further resolved, that the Bridgewater Town Council once again fully supports the Gay Pride Flag to be flown with the United States Flag in front of the Academy Building in the Town of Bridgewater from June 1 - June 14, 2023.

ROLL-CALL VOTE: REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

This Petition was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed, therefore it may be finally considered this evening.

- Attachments:
1. Pride Flag Photo
 2. Pride-Flag-Letter-to-TC_2023_





<https://www.bccrcivilrights.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/BridgewaterCommForCivilRights>

March 10, 2023

Members of the Town Council
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Subject: Request to the Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater, MA
Regarding the Elevation of the Pride Flag, June 1–14, 2023, according to Ordinance D-FY21-007, and Requesting a Resolution in Honor of Pride Month

Since 2016, the Town of Bridgewater and the members of Bridgewater Communities for Civil Rights have worked together to create a welcoming community, supportive of equality, based on a tradition of equal rights and equal protection for all

In 2021 and 2022, the elected leaders of the Town of Bridgewater demonstrated their support of an often marginalized and persecuted community – the LGBTQ+ community - by issuing Resolutions declaring Bridgewater to be a safe haven where all people, regardless of their religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation or gender identity, can live in peace, free from hatred and violence.

Furthermore, in 2021 and 2022, the Town Council members demonstrated their leadership in supporting the raising of the Pride Flag in front of the Academy Building, the seat of Town government. Many people attended the flag raisings in celebration and support of family, friends, and community.

As we approach Pride Month 2023, the members of BCCR respectfully request that the Town Council again issue a Resolution in honor of Pride Month expressing support of the LGBTQ+ community.

We also respectfully request that the Pride Flag be raised on Thursday, June 1 at 3:30 PM and remain through June 14.

In addition, we request permission to hold a brief ceremony in front of the Academy Building marking the raising of the Pride Flag on June 1 at 3:30 PM. We invite you to read the Town Council's Resolution at that time and celebrate the beginning of Pride Month with us.

As mandated by the Town's General Ordinance D-FY21-007, a photograph of the Pride Flag is included with this request.

While Bridgewater may proudly claim support for the members of the LGBTQ+ community, we are witnessing hostile acts by some states restricting the rights of Transgender children to participate in education, sports, and needed medical care.

We are witnessing the increased deadly violence against members of the LGBTQ+ community throughout the country.

Our friends, family members, and neighbors remain vulnerable to the increased level of hateful rhetoric directed at minority communities across the country.

The citizens of Bridgewater must continue to affirm our Town's status as a community of safety, acceptance, and support for the marginalized, including the LGBTQ+ community members in our midst and beyond.

We look forward to your positive response and we hope that you, our Town leaders, through your supportive messages, will continue to promote Bridgewater as a model of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridgewater Communities for Civil Rights, Juneteenth Flag Committee

Cristina Ajemian

Lois Aldrich

Sam Baumgarten

Jenise Campbell-Means

Rebecca Fleisch Cordeiro

Vernon Domingo

David Michael

Sherley Phillips

Laurene Powers

Sandra Smiley



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Kevin Perry, Councilor
Date Introduced: 3/21/2023
First Reading: 3/21/2023
Second Reading: 4/4/2023
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Resolution R-FY23-006: Annual July 4th Community Celebration

WHEREAS, the annual 4th of July community celebration is a cherished tradition in Bridgewater that brings together residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, the celebration is fully funded by private donations from community members and businesses, and the success of the event depends on the generosity of these donors; and

WHEREAS, a fundraising thermometer on the Academy Building grounds would provide a visual reminder of the progress toward the fundraising goal and encourage additional donations from community members and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Academy Building is a central and visible location in the town;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby supports the placement of a fundraising thermometer on the Academy Building grounds for the purpose of displaying the progress toward the fundraising goal for the 4th of July community celebration.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the fundraising thermometer will be installed in a manner that is respectful of the historic nature of the Academy Building and does not damage or deface the property.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the fundraising thermometer will be maintained and removed promptly after reaching the fundraising goal of \$40,000 for the community's 4th of July celebration.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

This Resolution was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed, therefore it may be finally considered this evening.

Attachments: None

ROLL-CALL VOTE: REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING

ROLL-CALL VOTE: REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Mark Linde, Councilor
Fred Chase, Councilor
Dennis Gallagher, Councilor

Date Introduced: 4/4/2023

First Reading: 4/4/2023

Second Reading:

Amendments Adopted:

Third Reading:

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

Order O-FY23-052: Municipal Electric Aggregation

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled vote to,

WHEREAS, Municipal Electric Aggregation is the process by which a town or city purchases electricity in bulk from a competitive supplier on behalf of the residents and businesses within the community; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Electric Aggregation is possible in Massachusetts due to the passage of "*An Act Relative to Restructuring the Electric Utility Industry in the Commonwealth, Regulating the Provision of Electricity and other services, and Promoting Consumer Protections Therein*"; and

WHEREAS, the primary goals of a Municipal Energy Aggregation is to provide residents and businesses with more competitive electricity choices; longer term, stable electricity rates; potentially lower electricity rates; more renewable electricity in the standard and optional products generated by New England renewable energy facilities; and increased consumer protection against unscrupulous retail marketers of electricity; and

WHEREAS, the first step in creating a Municipal Electricity Aggregation is to vote to initiate a Municipal Aggregation Program;

THEREFORE, be it ORDERED, that the Town Council requests that the Town Manager prepare a Feasibility Study in consultation with the Department of Energy Resources and if needed, in partnership with a consultant.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: None



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Shawn George, Councilor
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Order O-FY23-053: Town Clerk's Salary

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled vote:

To set the Town Clerks salary beginning July 1 2023 (FY24) - at Grade 12 Step 10 \$46.7070 hourly. Annually \$85,007.00.

Explanation:

This represents a step increase and follows along with other full time employees for FY24.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: None

NOT FOR ACTION - FIRST READING



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Town Manager
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Budget Order O-FY24-001: FY2024 Annual Town Budget

ORDERED that to provide for the payment of certain expenses of the Town for the Fiscal year ending June 30, 2024;

The Town will raise and appropriate and vote into tax, to be assessed per law and/or appropriate and transfer from the following available funds:

Ambulance Receipts Reserved the amount of	\$2,028,089
Title V the amount of	\$ 128,666
Enterprise Funds the amount of	\$ 599,511
Conservation Receipts Reserved the amount of	\$ 30,000
Energy Funds the amount of	\$ 150,000
Elm Street DIF	\$ 599,063
Golf	\$ 340,000
Other Financing Source	\$3,875,329
Total	

For the operation of the Town and further that such appropriation in the sum of **\$67,065,100** be for personal services, general expenses, Principal and interest, for such purposes, each department and group being considered a separate appropriation as shown below:

Town of Bridgewater Town Manager's FY2024 General Fund Operating Budget

DEPT#	DEPART DESCRIPTION	Group	GROUP DESCRIPTION	FY2023 Town Mgr Budget
111	TOWN COUNCIL	1.0	SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	62,214

NOT FOR ACTION - FIRST READING

	2.0EXPENSE	12,000
111 Total		74,214
123TOWN MANAGER	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	520,145
	2.0EXPENSE	88,561
123 Total		608,706
132RESERVE FUND	2.0EXPENSE	60,000
132 Total		60,000
135FINANCE - ACCOUNTANT	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	424,314
	2.0EXPENSE	64,100
135 Total		488,414
141FINANCE - ASSESSORS	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	188,237
	2.0EXPENSE	125,190
141 Total		313,427
145FINANCE - TREASURER	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	423,887
	2.0EXPENSE	55,872
145 Total		479,759
151LAW - LEGAL	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	78,800
	2.0EXPENSE	20,550
151 Total		99,350
152HUMAN RESOURCES	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	128,623
	2.0EXPENSE	7,500
152 Total		136,123
INFORMATION		
155TECHNOLOGY	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	265,823
	2.0EXPENSE	463,829
155 Total		729,652
161TOWN CLERK	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	228,982
	2.0EXPENSE	76,641
161 Total		305,623
166PARKING	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	15,375
	2.0EXPENSE	750
166 Total		16,125
COMMUNITY ECON		
182DEVELP	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	330,568
	2.0EXPENSE	35,915
182 Total		366,483
192TOWN BUILDINGS	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	61,482
	2.0EXPENSE	547,076
192 Total		608,558
210POLICE	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	6,364,469
	2.0EXPENSE	305,326
210 Total		6,669,795
220FIRE	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	6,525,108
	2.0EXPENSE	355,038
220 Total		6,880,146

NOT FOR ACTION - FIRST READING

240INSPECTIONAL SERVICES	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	424,544
	2.0EXPENSE	17,950
240 Total		442,494
292ANIMAL CONTROL	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	99,440
	2.0EXPENSE	3,000
292 Total		102,440
300B/R RGNL DISTRICT	2.0EXPENSE	32,568,595
B/R SCHOOL DEBT	7.1DE: DEBT SERVICE	4,050,107
300 Total		36,618,702
301BRISTOL AGI TUITION	2.0EXPENSE	301,516
301 Total		301,516
BRISTOL PLYMOUTH		
302TUITION	2.0EXPENSE	1,867,308
302 Total		1,867,308
NORFOLK CNTY AGI		
303TRANS	2.0EXPENSE	79,065
NORFOLK CNTY AGI	2.0EXPENSE	78,300
303 Total		157,365
410TOWN ENGINEER	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	64,691
	2.0EXPENSE	19,700
410 Total		84,391
420HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	1,015,566
	2.0EXPENSE	503,275
420 Total		1,518,841
421SNOW AND ICE	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	41,000
	2.0EXPENSE	41,100
421 Total		82,100
424STREET LIGHTING	2.0EXPENSE	175,818
424 Total		175,818
510HEALTH	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	164,573
	2.0EXPENSE	18,350
510 Total		182,923
541COUNCIL ON AGING	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	232,266
	2.0EXPENSE	9,800
541 Total		242,066
543VETERANS SERVICES	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	34,693
	2.0EXPENSE	69,350
543 Total		104,043
610LIBRARY	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	544,313
	2.0EXPENSE	204,284
610 Total		748,597
630RECREATION	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	211,937
	2.0EXPENSE	73,490
630 Total		285,428
710DEBT PRINCIPAL	7.0DEBT SERVICE	639,066

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710 Total		639,066
751INTERST ON LT DEBT	7.0DEBT SERVICE	233,121
751 Total		233,121
STATE/COUNTY		
820ASSESSENTS	2.0EXPENSE	371,241
820 Total		371,241
830COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	2.0EXPENSE	68,079
830 Total		68,079
911RETIREMENT	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	4,709,939
911 Total		4,709,939
912WORKERS COMP	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	166,430
912 Total		166,430
913UNEMPLOYMENT	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	5,000
913 Total		5,000
914HEALTH/LIFE/MEDICARE	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	3,884,726
914 Total		3,884,726
919OTHER BENEFITS	1.0SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	6,330
	2.0EXPENSE	53,150
919 Total		59,480
945LIABILITY INSURANCE	2.0EXPENSE	287,260
945 Total		287,260
950GAS & OIL	2.0EXPENSE	205,000
950 Total		205,000
Grand Total		71,379,749
Adjust for State/County		
	Charges	(439,320)
Total Appropriation		70,940,429

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: None



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Town Manager
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Budget Order O-FY24-002: FY2024 Water Enterprise Fund Budget

ORDERED, that the Town Council vote to appropriate **\$4,762,554** from the Water Enterprise receipts to defray Water direct costs, and that **\$340,365** as appropriated under Order O-FY24-001 be used for Water indirect costs, all to fund the total costs of operations of the Water Enterprise as follows:

SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	\$ 2,014,871
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 1,213,223
DEBT SERVICES	\$ 1,529,460
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS OPEB	\$ 5,000
APPROPRIATED for DIRECT COSTS	\$ 4,762,554
TRANSFER TO	
GF	\$ 22,684
INDIRECT COSTS - GENERAL FUND	\$ 317,951
TOTAL COST - WATER EF	\$ 5,103,189

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: None



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Town Manager
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Budget Order O-FY24-003: FY24 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled vote to appropriate **\$2,478,174** from the Sewer Enterprise receipts to defray Sewer direct costs, and that **\$222,539** as appropriated under Order O-FY23-001 be used for Sewer indirect costs, all to fund the total costs of operations of the Sewer Enterprise as follows:

SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	\$ 1,331,250
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 713,804
DEBT SERVICES	\$ 428,120
TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS OPEB	\$ 5,000
APPROPRIATED for DIRECT COSTS	\$ 2,478,174
TRANSFER TO GF	\$ 22,684
INDIRECT COSTS - GENERAL FUND	\$ 199,855
TOTAL COST - SEWER EF	\$ 2,700,713

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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Attachments: None



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Town Manager
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Budget Order O-FY24-004: FY24 Transfer Station Enterprise Fund Budget

BUDGET ORDER - FY24 TRANSFER STATION ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET

ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled vote to appropriate **\$380,663** from Transfer Station Enterprise receipts to defray Transfer Station direct costs, and that **\$36,337** as appropriated under Order O-FY24-001 be used for Transfer Station indirect costs, all to fund the total costs of operations of the Transfer Station Enterprise as follows:

SALARIES/WAGES/BENEFITS	\$ 112,112
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 268,551
APPROPRIATED for DIRECT COSTS	\$ 380,663
INDIRECT COSTS - GENERAL FUND	\$ 36,337
TOTAL COST - TRANSFER STATION EF	\$ 417,000

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

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Attachments: None



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Town Manager
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Budget Order O-FY24-005: Authorization of Revolving Funds

AUTHORIZATION OF REVOLVING FUNDS

ORDERED, that the Town Council vote to establish revolving funds for certain Town Departments under the provisions of G.L. c.44, §53E ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, with specific receipts credited to each fund, the purposes for which each fund may be spent, and the maximum amount that may be spent from each fund for FY2024 as follows:

Spending Authority	Fund	Receipts	Expenditures	FY2024 Spending Limit
Town Clerk	Street Listing	Sale of street lists; sale of bylaws/zoning bylaws; sale of subdivision rules; sale of zoning maps	Printing and other costs with publications/books sold to public	\$5,000
Recreation Director	Recreation	Fees associated with recreation programs	Salaries/ benefits of full-time staff, part-time and seasonal staff, recreation programs, facility expenses and other expenses related to programs	\$ 150,000
Council on Aging Director	COA Revolving	Fees and Rentals	Programs for Seniors & Community	\$20,000
Library Director	Library Revolving	Fines & Fees	Programs & supplies for Community	\$20,000

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

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Attachments: None



Bridgewater Town Council

Introduced By: Erik Moore, Councilor
Susan Robinson, Councilor
Date Introduced: 4/4/2023
First Reading: 4/4/2023
Second Reading:
Amendments Adopted:
Third Reading:
Date Adopted:
Date Effective:

Petition P-2023-028: A Resolution Honoring Juneteenth

Whereas, In 2021 and 2022, Bridgewater Communities for Civil Rights (BCCR) and First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church Bridgewater (FPUUB) hosted two successful Juneteenth events in Bridgewater with the support of the Town of Bridgewater, the Bridgewater Public Library, Bridgewater State University, and many other members of the community; and

Whereas, the Juneteenth committee, in cooperation with those mentioned above and the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District, is currently planning a 3rd annual Juneteenth celebration; and

Whereas, In May 2021, the Town of Bridgewater designated June 19th (Juneteenth) a Town holiday. And, in June 2022, the Town Council unanimously supported the raising of the Juneteenth flag from June 15 through June 30; and

Whereas, the Council, as leaders of our Town, can have significant impact in supporting the celebration of liberty and justice for all with its support of Juneteenth 2023; and

Whereas, Symbols and seemingly small actions can have great meaning, through these actions, all who pass through Bridgewater will see that we honor the history of African Americans and recognize their contribution to American history.

Now therefore, the Bridgewater Town Council declares June 19, 2023, a day of commemoration and celebration and once again fully supports the Juneteenth Flag to be flown with the United States Flag in front of the Academy Building in the Town of Bridgewater from June 15 - 30, 2023.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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- Attachments:
- 1. Juneteenth Flag
 - 2. Juneteenth-Flag-Letter-to-TC_2023





BCCR
BRIDGEWATER
COMMUNITIES FOR
CIVIL RIGHTS

<https://www.bccrcivilrights.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/BridgewaterCommForCivilRights>

March 10, 2023

Members of the Town Council
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Subject: Request to the Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater, MA
Regarding the Elevation of the Juneteenth Flag, June 15–June 30, 2023, according to
Ordinance D-FY21-007, and Requesting a Resolution in Honor of Juneteenth 2023

In 2021 and 2022, Bridgewater Communities for Civil Rights (BCCR) and First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church Bridgewater (FPUUB) hosted two successful Juneteenth events in Bridgewater with the support of the Town of Bridgewater, the Bridgewater Public Library, Bridgewater State University, and many other members of the community. The Juneteenth committee, in cooperation with those mentioned above and the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District, is currently planning a 3rd annual Juneteenth celebration.

In May 2021, the Town of Bridgewater designated June 19th (Juneteenth) a Town holiday. And, in June 2022, the Town Council unanimously supported the raising of the Juneteenth flag from June 15 through June 30, issuing Resolution FY22-08: A Resolution Honoring Juneteenth.

We respectfully request that the Juneteenth Flag be raised again this year in front of the Academy Building on Thursday, June 15 and remain through June 30, celebrated with a Resolution by the Town Council, expressing support and demonstrating the Town's continued commitment to civil rights for all in our daily interactions.

In addition, we respectfully request permission to hold a brief ceremony in front of the Academy Building marking the raising of the Juneteenth Flag on June 15 at 3:30 PM. We invite you to read the Town Council's Resolution at that time and celebrate Juneteenth with us.

As mandated by the Town's General Ordinance D-FY21-007, a photograph of the Juneteenth Flag is included with this request.

The Council, as leaders of our Town, can have significant impact in supporting the celebration of liberty and justice for all with its support of Juneteenth 2023. Symbols and seemingly small actions can have great meaning. Through your actions, you are telling all who pass through Bridgewater that we honor the history of African Americans and recognize their contribution to American history.

We look forward to your positive response and we hope that you, our Town Leaders, through your supportive messages, will continue to promote Bridgewater as a model of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Sincerely,

Bridgewater Communities for Civil Rights, Juneteenth Flag Committee

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Lois Aldrich

Sam Baumgarten

Jenise Campbell- Means

Rebecca Fleisch Cordeiro

Vernon Domingo

David Michael

Sherley Phillips

Laurene Powers

Sandra Smiley