



Town of Bridgewater

Town Council

January 21, 2025

7:00 PM

66 Central Square

Academy Building

Council Chambers/2nd Floor

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MEETING AGENDA

Due to Massachusetts Open Meeting Law requirements, discussions will not take place during Public Comment periods. If appropriate, responses to questions and concerns will be given by the Town Manager at a future Town Council meeting.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) January 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

F. HEARINGS

- a) Proposed Ordinance D-FY25-006: Bridgewater Town Charter Amendment for Gender Neutral Language
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 1/6/25 Enterprise. Rules and Procedures voted 3-0 to recommend at their 11/13/24 meeting.
- b) Ordinance D-FY25-009: Veterans Volunteer Services Program (Work-off)
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 1/6/25 Enterprise. Rules and Procedures voted 3-0 to recommend with amendments at their 12/12/24 meeting.

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

- a) Petition P-2025-017: The Granting of an Annual Entertainment License – Fire for Effect Foundation

H. PRESENTATIONS

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Fire Station Update
- b) Status of Library Feasibility Study

- c) Status of Senior Day Program

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Order O-FY25-034: Right of First Refusal - Oldfield Estates n/k/a Oldfield Preserve
Community and Economic Development voted 3-0 to recommend at their 1/13/25 meeting.
- b) Order O-FY25-035: Vote to Authorize Acting Town Manager Blythe Robinson to Sign on
Behalf of the Town of Bridgewater
*This measure was not referred to committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVII of the Council Rules &
Procedures, therefore this measure may be finally considered this evening.*
- c) Resolution R-FY25-005: A Resolution to File and Accept Grants with and From the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for
the Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities Program for Improvements to
Summer Street Park
*This measure was not referred to committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVII of the Council Rules &
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M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Ordinance D-FY25-015: Ordinance Establishing the Process for Filling a Vacant Town
Councilor Role
- b) Order O-FY25-036: Laying Out and Accepting a Private Way - Firefly Lane

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

R. ADJOURNMENT