



Town of Bridgewater

Town Council

April 8, 2025

7:00 PM

66 Central Square

Academy Building

Council Chambers/2nd Floor

The Town Council meeting is being streamed Live via You Tube.

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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) March 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

- a) Recognizing Bridgewater Television (BTV) for Its Dedication to Local Programming and Citizen Access

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

- a) Board of Registrars: Reappointment Christina Porter (R) 2025 - 2028
- b) DEIB Committee: Ashley Hansen-Brown 2025 - 2026

F. HEARINGS

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

H. PRESENTATIONS

- a) Broad Street Project Update: Bob Cormier

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Order O-FY25-042: Transfer Order - CPC Purchase and Restoration of Samuel Edson's Coroners Book
Budget & Finance voted 3-0 to recommend at their 3/18/25 meeting. Finance Committee voted 5-0 to recommend at their 3/24/25 meeting.
- b) Proposed Zoning Ordinance D-FY25-014: Zoning Amendment for Accessory Dwelling Units
Planning Board voted to recommend with amendments at their 2/19/25 meeting. Community and Economic Development meeting 4/7/25.

M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Budget Order O-FY26-001: FY2026 Annual Town Budget
- b) Budget Order O-FY26-002: FY26 Water Enterprise Fund
- c) Budget Order O-FY26-003: FY26 Sewer Enterprise Fund
- d) Budget Order O-FY26-004: FY26 Transfer Station Enterprise Fund
- e) Budget Order O-FY26-005: Authorization of Revolving Funds
- f) Order O-FY25-048: Contract Ratification - Town Manager
- g) Order O-FY25-049: Order Approving a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement for the Development Project at 70-86 Broad Street
- h) Order O-FY25-050: Acceptance of Donation - Bridgewater Firefighter's Association
- i) Order O-FY25-051: Transfer Order - Flag Pole
- j) Order O-FY25-052: Acceptance of Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs MVP Grant for Hanson Farm Conservation Restriction Purchase
- k) Order O-FY25-053: Acceptance of Grant - High Street Dam - Town River Restoration
- l) Order O-FY25-054: Transfer Order - Conservation Easement/Restriction - Hanson's Farm
- m) Order O-FY25-055: Proposition 2 1/2 Ballot Question
- n) Order O-FY25-056: 2025 Special Election Warrant - June 21, 2025
- o) Ordinance D-FY25-019: Adoption of Clause 22I of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 5 ("HERO Act")
- p) Resolution R-FY25-009: A Resolution in Recognition of Pride Month
- q) Resolution R-FY25-010: A Resolution Honoring Juneteenth
- r) Resolution R-FY25-011: A Resolution Honoring Purple Heart Month

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Executive Session under MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) (2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel.

R. ADJOURNMENT