



Town of Bridgewater

Town Council

April 22, 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) April 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

- a) Recognition of Lt. Scott Hile of the Bridgewater Police Department
- b) Arbor Day: April 25, 2025

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

- a) Joshua Earley - DEIB Term of 2025-2026
- b) Kathleen Reid - SAVE Committee Term of 2025-2028
- c) Amanda Metell - Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate Member Term of 2025-2028
- d) Jane Marochino - Elder Affairs Commission Term of 2025-2028
- e) Stephen Dempsey - Tree Committee Term of 2025-2028
- f) Thomas Pratti - Planning Board Term of 2025-2030

F. HEARINGS

- a) Order O-FY25-036: Laying Out and Accepting a Private Way - Firefly Lane
Public Hearing: *Advertised in the 4/11/25 Enterprise. Planning Board recommended with a condition at their 2/19/25 meeting.*

- b) Petition P-2025-020: Petition for National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. Joint or Identical Pole Location – Stetson Street
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 4/11/25 Enterprise
- c) Proposed Zoning Ordinance D-FY25-014: Zoning Amendment for Accessory Dwelling Units
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 4/11/25 Enterprise.

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

H. PRESENTATIONS

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Fire Station Update

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Order O-FY25-048: Contract Ratification - Town Manager
- b) Order O-FY25-049: Order Approving a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement for the Development Project at 70-86 Broad Street
- c) Order O-FY25-050: Acceptance of Donation - Bridgewater Firefighter's Association
- d) Order O-FY25-051: Transfer Order - Flag Pole
- e) Order O-FY25-052: Acceptance of Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs MVP Grant for Hanson Farm Conservation Restriction Purchase
- f) Order O-FY25-053: Acceptance of Grant - High Street Dam - Town River Restoration
- g) Order O-FY25-054: Transfer Order - Conservation Easement/Restriction - Hanson's Farm
- h) Order O-FY25-055: Proposition 2 1/2 Ballot Question
- i) Order O-FY25-056: 2025 Special Election Warrant - June 21, 2025
- j) Resolution R-FY25-009: A Resolution in Recognition of Pride Month
- k) Resolution R-FY25-010: A Resolution Honoring Juneteenth
- l) Resolution R-FY25-011: A Resolution Honoring Purple Heart Month

M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Order O-FY25-057: BAA Collective Bargaining Contract Ratification
- b) Order O-FY25-058: BAA Collective Contract Appropriation Transfer
- c) Order O-FY25-059: Acceptance of Hanson Farm Conservation Restriction
- d) Resolution R-FY25-012: Resolution on FY26 School District Budget Funding

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Executive Session under MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) (3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Bridgewater Administrative Association as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body.

R. ADJOURNMENT