



Town of Bridgewater

Town Council

September 8, 2026

7:00 PM

66 Central Square

Academy Building

Council Chambers/2nd Floor

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

Go to the Town of Bridgewater Facebook Page for the link.

Please note that the in-person meeting will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the remote connection.

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) August 11, 2026 Meeting Minutes

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

C. PROCLAMATIONS

- a) City of Peace Proclamation

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

F. HEARINGS

- a) Order O-FY26-062: Laying Out and Accepting Private Way - Stonemore Place
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 8/24/26 Enterprise. Abutter Letters sent 8/24/26. Planning Board voted 4-0 to recommend at their 7/15/26 meeting.
- b) Order O-FY26-063: Laying Out and Accepting Private Way - Quail Run Road
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 8/24/26 Enterprise. Abutter Letters sent 8/24/25. Planning Board voted 4-0 to recommend at their 7/15/26 meeting.
- c) Order O-FY26-064: Laying Out and Accepting Private Way - Oldfield Road
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 8/24/26 Enterprise. Abutter Letters sent 8/24/26. Planning Board voted 4-0 to recommend at their 7/15/26 meeting.
- d) Proposed Ordinance D-FY27-001: Amend Part II Administrative Code Chapter 2, Article II. Section 24, Order of Business & Agenda
Public Hearing: Advertised in the 8.28.26 Enterprise.

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS

H. PRESENTATIONS

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Water Update

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Order O-FY26-013: Town Council Acceptance of Proposed Traffic Ticket Fee Increases
Budget & Finance meeting 9/8/26. Finance Committee voted unanimously to recommend at their 8/31/26 meeting.
- b) Order O-FY27-016: Transfer Order - CPC Restoration of Ousamequin Hand Pumper and Historic Pictures
Budget & Finance meeting 9/8/26. Finance Committee voted unanimously at their 8/31/26 meeting.
- c) Proposed Ordinance D-FY26-017: Amend Part II Administrative Code, Chapter 1, Article III, Multiple Members Appointive Bodies
Voice vote to refer to advertising. Rules & Procedures voted 3-0 with amendment at their 8/26/26 meeting.
- d) Proposed Zoning Ordinance D-FY26-018: Zoning Ordinance to Amend Words Pertaining to 'Town Council'
Consider for Action Notice Published in the 8/28/26 Enterprise. Unanimously recommended at the Joint Planning Board and CEDC meeting held on 8.5.26.
- e) Ordinance D-FY27-002: Community Against "Flock" Encroachment (CAFE) Act of 2026
Voted to retain at Town Council at the 8/11/26 meeting. Voice vote to refer to Rules & Procedures.
- f) Proposed General Ordinance D-FY27-003: An Ordinance Amending Part III of the General Ordinances by Establishing a New Chapter Entitled "Municipal Surveillance Technology"
Voice vote to refer to Public Safety. Rules & Procedures voted 3-0 to recommend at their 8.26.26 meeting.
- g) Ordinance D-FY27-004: Save Volunteer Services Program (Work-Off) Rules of Eligibility & Administrative Policies & Procedures
Voice vote to refer to Budget & Finance and Finance Committee. Rules & Procedures voted 3-0 to recommend at their 8.26.26 meeting.
- h) Proposed General Ordinance D-FY27-005: Chapter 220, Article V Water Impact Studies and Town Council Notification
Voice vote to refer to advertising. Rules & Proceures voted 3-0 to recommend at their 8.26.26 meeting.

M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Order O-FY27-017: Acceptance of Donation - Dennis Chalmers, Mass Window and Door
- b) Order O-FY27-018: Acceptance of Donation - Greater Bridgewater Women of Today
- c) Order O-FY27-019: Contractual Buyout
- d) Order O-FY27-020: Transfer Order for Prior Year Bills
- e) Order O-FY27-021: Budget Supplemental Appropriation (Town Staff)

- f) Order O-FY27-022: FY27 Budget Supplemental Appropriation (Town Clerk)
- g) Order O-FY27-023: FY27 Budget Supplemental Appropriation (Library)
- h) Order O-FY27-024: Budget Supplemental Appropriation (Legal)
- i) Order O-FY27-025: Order Establishing an Override Exploration Committee

- O. CITIZEN COMMENTS**
- P. COUNCIL COMMENTS**
- Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- R. ADJOURNMENT**