

AGENDA

**EXETER TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

MEETING DATE

MAY 6, 2024, 7:00 P.M.

MEETING LOCATION

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EXETER CLERK'S OFFICE
675 TEN ROD ROAD, EXETER, RHODE ISLAND**

**All Agenda Items are subject to review, consideration,
discussion, and/or possible action by the Town Council**

**Per the Town Council's By-laws, Section 119 (Decorum), order must be preserved during
Town Council Meetings. No person shall by statement, action, conversation, or otherwise,
interrupt a Council Member or delay the proceedings of the Town Council Meeting.**

No. 1: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

No. 2: CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

No. 3: ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. ANNUAL DOG LICENSING: APRIL 1 – JUNE 1, \$6.00; AFTER JUNE 1, \$6.00 PER LICENSE PLUS \$25.00 LATE FEE PER LICENSE; OBTAIN AT CLERK'S OFFICE, ANIMAL SHELTER, OR, ONLINE; FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT THE TOWN'S WEBSITE**
- B. EXETER FIRE DISTRICT ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024, 7:00 P.M., EXETER-WEST GREENWICH JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, 930 NOOSENECK HILL ROAD, WEST-GREENWICH, RHODE ISLAND**

- C. ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE: SUNDAY, MAY 26, 1:00, SUNDERLAND ROAD TO EXETER LIBRARY: PARTICIPANTS, VOLUNTEERS, AND SPECTATORS ALWAYS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED: CEREMONY IN REMEMBRANCE OF ALL VETERANS AND ACTIVITIES FOLLOWING THE PARADE AT THE EXETER LIBRARY**
- D. FINANCIAL TOWN MEETING: TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024, 7:00 P.M., EXETER-WEST GREENWICH JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, 930 NOOSENECK HILL ROAD, WEST GREENWICH, RHODE ISLAND**
- E. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2024 GROWERS GIVEBACK PROGRAM WHICH PROVIDES NO-COST PRODUCE AND DAIRY TO QUALIFYING EXETER RESIDENTS: APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE EXETER CLERK'S OFFICE**

No. 4: APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

No. 5: APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Consent Agenda items are approved in one motion, unless removed by a Town Council Member.

- A. REYNOLDS CHARITABLE TRUST: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: None this month**
- B. COMMUNICATIONS: See Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein. Those removed by a Council Member will be addressed under Agenda Item No. 11 for referral or placement on a future agenda.**
- C. BILLS, APPROPRIATIONS, AND ABATEMENTS:**
 - 1. BILL SHEET: April 1, 2024 – April 30, 2024**
 - 2. TAX ASSESSOR'S ABATEMENTS: None this month**
 - 3. TAX COLLECTOR'S ABATEMENTS: None this month**
 - 4. TAX COLLECTOR'S REMITTANCES: None this month**
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - 1. TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 1, 2024**
 - 2. TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, EXECUTIVE SESSION APRIL 1, 2024**
 - 3. TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING, APRIL 2, 2024**
 - 4. TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING, APRIL 17, 2024**

No. 6: VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENTS:

A. VACANCIES:

- 1. PERSONNEL BOARD (5 MEMBERS NEEDED)**
- 2. CONSERVATION COMMISSION (7 MEMBERS NEEDED)**
- 3. PUBLIC WORKS WORKER**

B. RESIGNATIONS: None

C. APPOINTMENTS:

- 1. EXETER RURAL LAND PRESERVATION TRUST COMMITTEE MEMBERS (TWO) (TO SERVE FOUR-YEAR TERM BEGINNING DATE OF APPOINTMENT)**
- 2. JUVENILE HEARING BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBER (TO SERVE UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING NOVEMBER 6, 2026)**
- 3. TAX BOARD OF REVIEW ALTERNATE MEMBER (TO SERVE UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING AUGUST 2, 2024)**
- 4. MECHANICAL/PLUMBING INSPECTOR**
- 5. SPECIAL CONSTABLE (TERM ENDING APRIL 1, 2025)**
- 6. CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEMBERS**

D. EXPIRING TERMS:

- 1. TAX BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBER, PAUL KULP (TERM EXPIRING MAY 3, 2024)**
- 2. TAX BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBER, RAYMOND MORRISSEY (TERM EXPIRING MAY 3, 2024)**

No. 7: PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE APPLICATION: FRIENDS OF THE EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY, APPLICANT: ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL, YAWGOO VALLEY SKI AREA, 160 YAWGOO VALLEY ROAD, EXETER, RHODE ISLAND: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2004, 10:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.; TO INCLUDE MUSIC, ARTISANS, VENDORS, AND FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

B. PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE APPLICATION: JOHN M. ROSA V AND PAMELA ROSA, APPLICANTS: TO HOLD THEIR DAUGHTER, JULIA ROSA'S WEDDING TO JUSTIN TARTAGLIA, PRIVATELY FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2024, IN THEIR BACK YARD, 68 BEECHWOOD HILL TRAIL, EXETER, RHODE ISLAND, FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M., WITH MUSIC FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

No. 8: PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments are not limited to items on this agenda. However, items not on this agenda will only be heard and not acted upon by the Town Council, unless they are of an emergency nature. (3-minute time limit per person; 15-minute maximum time allowed for this agenda item).

Section 42-46-6 of the Open Meetings Act and the Town Council By-Laws prohibit the Town Council from deliberating, debating, or acting on previously unposted matters during the Public Comment section of the agenda.

State law prohibits the Town Council from acting or voting upon any such matter, except under emergency circumstances. The Town Council may only, if warranted, refer such matters to an appropriate committee, to another body or official, or post the matter for consideration at a properly-noticed, future meeting.

Accordingly, because the Council is obliged not to respond, the immediate silence of the Town Council Members relative to any matter raised by a speaker during Public Comment may not be construed as any endorsement, confirmation, acquiescence in,

support of, or the taking of any position concerning, a matter raised by a member of the public under Public Comment.

Public participants under Public Comment are also reminded that they must adhere to the dictates of Sections 115.B, 117 (Manner of Address), 119 (Decorum), and 120 (Enforcement) of the Council By-Laws in addressing the Council during a public meeting under Public Comment.

No. 9: NEW BUSINESS:

- A. SOLICITOR'S LICENSE APPLICATION : RENEWAL BY ADNERSEN OF SNE/SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND WINDOWS, LLC: JOSHUA KELLY, APPLICANT, 27 GOVERNOR STREET, APT. 2, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND**
- B. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: REQUEST TO GO OUT TO BID: ATTACHMENTS FOR BACKHOE: QUICK DISCONNECT COUPLING AND 12" BUCKET**
- C. AWARDING OF BID: MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**
- D. VIDEO RECORDING: COUNCIL MEETINGS**
- E. RESOLUTION TO THE HONORABLE RI GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN OPPOSITION TO H 7983**

- F. RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO ANY REVIVAL OF THE OLD SAYBROOK TO KENYON BYPASS**
- G. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FULLY FUNDING STATE AID TO LIBRARIES TO THE FULL TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT (25%)**
- H. RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL 2024 – H 7763 AND SENATE BILL 2024 – S 2679 RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS – ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS ACT**
- I. ELECTION DAY: INCIDENT ACTION PLAN**
- J. SOLAR PERMITS: COLLECTION OF AND USE**
- K. BID NET DIRECT: GOVERNMENT BID OPPORTUNITIES AND RFP**
- L. SHARON MACLEAN: WOOD RIVER WILD AND SENIC RIVERS STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL, DUTEMPLE BROOK TRAIL PROJECT**
- M. TOWN GOVERNMENT: SUMMER HOURS**

No. 10: UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. STATUS: JULY 2022 COMMUNICATION NO 16: GOVERNOR MCKEE: RHODE ISLAND CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND: MULTI-PURPOSE COMMUNITY FACILITIES MATCHING GRANT**
 - 1. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: SUBAWARD AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS PANDEMIC RECOVERY OFFICE (“STATE AGENCY”) AND TOWN OF EXETER (“SUBRECIPIENT ENTITY”)**
- B. STATUS: UPDATE TO TOWN OF EXETER CODE OF ORDINANCES; CHAPTER 14, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS; ARTICLE IV, IMPACT FEES**
- C. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS: REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE: INCIDENT AT 5 WEST SHORE DRIVE**
- D. PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO PLANNING DEPARTMENT**
- E. PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS: NOVEMBER 2024 ELECTION**
- F. STATUS: RI250 COMMISSION: EXETER HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

G. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: PROPERTY DAMAGE: MAIL ROAD

H. 2024-2025 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

I. STATUS: WELCOME SIGNAGE IN AND OUT OF TOWN

J. PLANNING PROCESS:

- 1. 675 TEN ROD ROAD:**
- 2. 742 TEN ROD ROAD**

No. 11: COMMUNICATIONS: Consideration of those removed from Appendix A attached hereto and incorporated herein (see Agenda Item No. 5, Consent Agenda) for referral or placement on a future agenda.

No 12: EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2): LITIGATION

- 1. APRIL COMMUNICATION NO. 22: ASA DAVIS:
LETTER REGARDING FEE RETURN**

B. RIGL 42-46-5(a)(3): SECURITY

- 1. TOWN SERGEANT'S DEPARTMENT: VEHICLE STORAGE**

No. 13: ADJOURNMENT

**POSTED MAY 1, 2024, AT TOWN OF EXETER CLERK'S OFFICE, PUBLIC LIBRARY,
AND POST OFFICE, AND ON SECRETARY OF STATE'S AND TOWN OF EXETER'S WEBSITES**

The public is welcome to attend any meetings of the Exeter Town Council or its committees, boards, or commissions. If communications assistance or other accommodation is required or necessary to ensure equal participation, please contact the Exeter Town Clerk's Office two business days prior to the meeting during normal business hours, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at (401) 294-3891, Ext. 9, or clerk@exeterri.gov. The Exeter Town Clerk's Building is handicapped accessible.

APPENDIX A

No. 6C Communications:

- No. 1 04/04/2024 SBA Communications Corp: Revenue Sharing Details by Tenant, April 2024**
- No. 2 04/04/2024 Governor McKee's Office:**
- A) Governor McKee Hosts Topping Off Ceremony for 150 Richmond**
 - B) Attendance MattersRI: Governor McKee, Commissioner Infante-Green Recognize Weekly Attendance Leaders**
 - C) Governor McKee, DEM, RI General Assembly Announce 2024 Local Agriculture and Seafood Act Grantees, Helping Grow Agricultural, Seafood Businesses**
 - D) Governor McKee Nominates Kas DeCarvalho to the Rhode Island District Court Bench**
 - E) Governor McKee Announces Funding Strategy to Support Small Businesses Impacted by the Washington Bridge**
 - F) Governor McKee Nominates Carol Lombardi to the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority Board**
 - G) Governor McKee Announces Awardees for Public Safety Infrastructure Grant Program**
- No. 3 04/04/2024 Town of Burrillville: Burrillville Town Council Resolution in Opposition to House Bill 2024-H 7763 and State Bill 2024-S 2679 Relating to Public Records – Access to Public Records Act**
- No. 4 04/04/2024 Town of Richmond:**
- A) Proclamation #2024-5 National Small Business Week 2024;**
 - B) Resolution # 2024-6 In Opposition to Any Revival of the Old Saybrook to Kenyon Bypass;**
 - C) Resolution #2024-7 Funding Formula**
- No. 5 04/04/2024 Governor McKee's Office: Reminder to send Litter-Free Rhode Island Resolution 2024**
- No. 6 04/04/2024 Town of Hopkinton Resolutions:**
- A) In Support of SB 2016 An Act Relating to Towns and Cities - Low and Moderate Income Housing;**
 - B) Opposing HB 7324 Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities - Zoning Ordinances;**
 - C) Opposing HB 7382 Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities – Zoning Ordinances;**

- D) Opposing HB 7986 Legislation Relating to Property – Abandoned Property;**
- E) Opposing HB 7951 Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities – RI Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Act;**
- F) Opposing HB 7978 Legislation Relating to Subdivision of Land;**
- G) Opposing HB 7958 Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities – Multifamily Housing Act;**
- H) To Keep Rhody Litter Free**

- No. 7 04/04/2024 The Samaritans of Rhode Island: Request for Resolution in Support of Suicide Prevention Barriers on Bridges Over Narragansett Bay**
- No. 8 04/04/2024 Representative Magaziner’s Office: Information on the FY2025 Federal Appropriations Process**
- No. 9 04/11/2024 Clarefeld Citizens Private Wealth Report: 01/01/2024 – 03/31/2024**
- No. 10 04/11/2024 Town of Portsmouth: Resolution No. 2024-04-08-A: A Resolution Endorsing the 2023 Ride Island Bike Plan as a Guiding Document in the Planning of Transportation Related Infrastructure for Portsmouth**
- No. 11 04/11/2024 Rhode Island Department of Housing: Invitation to discuss Exeter’s housing needs and concerns with Rhode Island Department of Housing**
- No. 12 04/11/2024 Governor McKee’s Office:**
 - A) Attendance MattersRI: Governor McKee, Commissioner Infante-Green Recognize Weekly Attendance Leaders and Improved Schools**
 - B) Governor McKee, DEM, CRMC, and RIIB Announce Availability of Nearly \$4M in Grants for Resilience Projects to Protect Coastal Habitat Shoreline Access on Public Lands**
 - C) Governor McKee, Secretary Tanner Announce Jim Bennett as President of Rhode Island Commerce Corporation**
- No. 13 04/12/2024 Online form submission from Susan Kenney: complaint about the unfinished construction site at Schartner Farm**
- No. 14 04/17/2024 Governor McKee’s Office: Attendance MattersRI: Governor McKee, Commissioner Infante-Green Recognize Weekly Attendance Leaders**

- No. 15 04/17/2024 Town of Burrillville Resolutions:**
- A) In Support of Senate Bill 2024 - S 2016 An Act Relating to Towns and Cities – Low and Moderate Income Housing;**
 - B) In Opposition to Legislation Regarding Housing and Land Use;**
 - C) Opposing House Bill 2024 – H 7978 Legislation Relating to Subdivision of Land;**
 - D) Opposing House Bill 2024 – H 7382 Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities – Zoning Ordinances;**
 - E) Opposing House Bill 2024 – H 7324 Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities – Zoning Ordinances**
- No. 16 04/17/2024 Town of Burrillville Resolutions:**
- A) In Support of Senate Bill 2024 – S 2008 Relating to Education – The Education Equity and Property Tax Relief Act;**
 - B) Council Resolution Funding Formula;**
 - C) School Committee Resolution Funding Formula**
- No. 17 04/17/2024 Town of Westerly: Resolution Urging the RI State Legislature to Support Allocating Funding for Permanent Safety Barriers on Rhode Island’s Bridges Over Narragansett Bay**
- No. 18 04/23/2024 Governor McKee’s Office:**
- A) Governor McKee, State Police Promote Safe Travel Across Washington Bridge;**
 - B) Governor McKee Submits \$1.3 Million Budget Amendment to Support Businesses Impacted by Washington Bridge;**
 - C) Governor McKee Submits Budget Amendment to Support Housing Stability, Address Homelessness;**
 - D) Governor McKee, First Lady Join State and Local Officials for Earth Day Litter Pick-up in Middletown, Recognizing Recipients of Litter-Free Rhode Island Microgrants**
- No. 19 04/23/2024 Wood-Pawcatuck Wild and Scenic Rivers Stewardship Council: Spring Newsletter - Spring 2024 Dragonfly Express**
- No. 20 04/23/2023 Town of Burrillville: Resolution Opposing House Bill 2024 – H 8109 Legislation Relating to Taxation – Statewide Tangible Property Tax Exempt**
- No. 21 04/30/2024 Governor McKee’s Office:**
- A) Governor McKee Announces First Round of Funding for Community Learning Centers**
 - B) The Independent Man Returns**

No. 22 04/30/2024 Town of Bristol: Resolution: Urging the RI State Legislature to Support Allocating Funding for Permanent Safety Barriers on Rhode Island's Bridges Over Narragansett Bay

No. 23 04/30/2024 SBA Communications Corp: Revenue Sharing Details by Tenant; May 2024