



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

October, 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

I. TOWN COUNCIL

A. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on October 19, 2021 at Lincoln Town Hall, 100 Old River Road, Lincoln, RI.

This meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting, with the Council meeting in person and the public may participate by utilizing the web streaming available on www.lincolnri.org and by emailing comments to meeting@lincolnri.org.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Keith Macksoud	Council President	Present	
Arthur Russo	Councilman	Present	
Kenneth Pichette	Councilman	Present	
Bruce Ogni	Councilman	Present	
Pamela Azar	Councilwoman	Present	
Anthony DeSisto	Town Solicitor	Present	
Philip Gould	Town Administrator	Present	

B. Plege of Allegiance

C. Consent Agenda

All items listed in this section are considered in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilor so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda.

1. Minutes Approval

- a.** Monday, September 20, 2021
- b.** Tuesday, September 21, 2021
- c.** Monday, September 27, 2021
- d.** Tuesday, October 12, 2021

2. Consideration of Montly Bills

1. Report 2021-94

Monthly Bills October 2021

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 10 FY22 Direct Pay (PDF)
- 2021 10 FY22 Accounts Payable (PDF)
- 2021 10 FY22 Library (PDF)

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

3. Claims for Referral to Committee**1. Claim 2021-16**

Lisa Williams Claim

ATTACHMENTS:

- Demelo Claim (PDF)

RESULT: REFERRED TO COMMITTEE [UNANIMOUS]Next: 11/16/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

4. Reports**a. Town Administrator****1. Report 2021-85**

Town Clerk's Office Monthly Report

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

2. Report 2021-86

Human Services

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

3. Report 2021-87

Parks and Recreation Report September 2021

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

4. Report 2021-88

September Tax Assessor Monthly Report

ATTACHMENTS:

- September 2021 (PDF)

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

5. Report 2021-89

Monthly Report: Library

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

6. Report 2021-90

Monthly Report - Planning Department

ATTACHMENTS:

- September 2021 Monthly Report (PDF)

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

7. Report 2021-91

Monthly Activity Report: Public Safety

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

8. Report 2021-92

Monthly Report: DPW September 2021

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

9. Report 2021-93

Monthly Report - Finance October 2021

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 10 monthly council report (PDF)
- 2021 10 Tax Receipts as of September 30 2021 (PDF)
- 2021 10 RevExp Report as of September 30 2021 (PDF)
- 2021 10 ARPA Tracking Sheet (PDF)
- VLT Commissions (PDF)
- 2021 09 30 Water Commission Finance Report(PDF)

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

5. Communications

a. State Mandated Financial Reports

b. Communication 2021-74

Request for Approval of COLA for Town Administrator: Philip Gould

ATTACHMENTS:

- MEMO-TOWN COUNCIL -COLA-TOWN ADMIN-10-15-2021 (PDF)

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 11/16/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Bruce Ogni, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Arthur Russo, Councilman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

D. Public Comment

There was no one from the public wishing to speak.

E. Appointments

1. Appointment 2021-12

Budget Board - District 2

HISTORY:

07/20/21	Town Council	DEFERRED
Next: 08/24/21		
08/24/21	Town Council	DEFERRED
Next: 09/21/21		
09/21/21	Town Council	DEFERRED
Next: 10/19/21		

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 11/16/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Bruce Ogni, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

2. Appointment 2021-13

Budget Board - District 3

HISTORY:

07/20/21	Town Council	DEFERRED
Next: 08/24/21		
08/24/21	Town Council	DEFERRED
Next: 09/21/21		
09/21/21	Town Council	DEFERRED
Next: 10/19/21		

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 11/16/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Bruce Ogni, Councilman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

3. Appointment 2021-18

Appointment to High School Renovation Committee in accordance to the Resolution 2021-26

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The Council approved the list as follows:

Town Council Co-Chair: Keith Macksoud

Budget Board: Robert Turner

Town Administrator: Philip Gould

School Committee Co-Chair: John Picozzi

School Committee: Steve Carvalho

Athletic Director: Greg O'Connor

PE teacher: James Frost

Teacher: Tiffany Smith

Parent: Diedre Carreno, Esq.

Parent: George Boudjouk

Public Member: James Jahnz

Public Member: John Sharkey

The Remaining members are:

Town Council: Bruce Ogni

Budget Board: Michael Babbitt

Municipal Finance Director: John Ward

Dir. Public Works: Michael Gagnon

Town Planner: Albert Ranaldi

Asst. Superintendent: Kevin McNamara

High School Principal: Rob Mezzanotte

Facilities Director: Armand Milazzo

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER:	Bruce Ogni, Pamela Azar
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

4. Appointment 2021-19

Zoning Board Alternate Reappointment for a term to expire in August 2022

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Kazem Farhoumand was reappointed as an Alternate for the Zoning Board with a term to expire August 2022.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
SECONDER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

F. Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance Committee Report

1. Resolution 2021-24

Resolution Mandating Audiovisual Recordings of all official Town Meetings with Access to Recordings via the Town Website

HISTORY:

08/24/21	Town Council	REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
Next: 09/21/21		
09/20/21	Ordinance Committee	DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE
Next: 10/18/21		

Councilor Azar was present as the sponsor of the Resolution and spoke on the matter.

Council President Macksoud spoke on the matter.

Al Rinaldi, Town Planner, spoke on behalf of the Planning Board meetings.

09/21/21	Town Council	DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE
Next: 10/19/21		
10/18/21	Ordinance Committee	

RESULT: TABLED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

2. Ordinance 2021-9

Municipal Affordable Housing Fund

HISTORY:

07/20/21	Town Council	REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
Next: 08/24/21		
08/23/21	Ordinance Committee	

Al Rinaldi, Town Planner spoke on the matter.

Keith Macksoud, Town Council President also spoke on the matter.

08/24/21	Town Council	DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE
Next: 09/21/21		

09/20/21	Ordinance Committee	
09/21/21 Next: 10/19/21	Town Council	DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE
10/18/21	Ordinance Committee	

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Vote was taken by roll call.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Ord (DOCX)

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER: Kenneth Pichette, Bruce Ogni
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

3. Ordinance 2021-11

Amending Ch 260, Zoning, Article VI Signs permitted in all districts, Sections 260-34 and 260-35

HISTORY:

07/20/21	Town Council	REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
Next: 08/24/21		

Motion was to send to Planning Board for recommendation and to Ordinance Committee.

08/23/21	Ordinance Committee	
08/24/21 Next: 09/21/21	Town Council	DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE
09/20/21	Ordinance Committee	
09/21/21 Next: 10/19/21	Town Council	DEFERRED IN COMMITTEE

Public Hearing

10/18/21	Ordinance Committee
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COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Vote was taken by roll call.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Ordinance 260-34,35,40,41 amended (DOCX)
- Zoning Ord PB Recommendation (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

2. Capital Improvement Committee Report

G. New Business

1. Resolutions for Introduction for Referral to Committee

1. Motion To: for immediate consideration

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Councilman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

2. Resolution 2021-30

AUTHORIZING THE SPENDING OF ARPA FUNDS OCTOBER 2021

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 10 Smith Street Utility Repair ARPA Fund request (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

3. Motion To: for immediate consideration

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Pamela Azar
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

4. Resolution 2021-31

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF ARPA FUNDS TO CAPITAL FUND 50 October 2021

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Pamela Azar
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

5. Resolution 2021-32

Authorizing the Expenditure of Bond Premium Funds October 2021

ATTACHMENTS:

- 10.14.21 Colliers Letter to Town Council (PDF)

RESULT: DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS] **Next: 10/28/2021 5:30 PM**
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Pamela Azar
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

2. Ordinances for Introduction for Referral to Committee

1. Ordinance 2021-13

Amendment to Chapter 44, Article 1, Section 44-2 (G)

RESULT: REFERRED TO COMMITTEE [UNANIMOUS] **Next: 11/16/2021 7:00 PM**
MOVER: Keith Macksoud, Kenneth Pichette
SECONDER: Arthur Russo, Councilman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

H. Adjourn

1. Motion To: adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Council President Macksoud announced that the Special meeting for the Resolution regarding the Bond Premium funds will be Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Councilor Azar announced a Cultural Food Event at St. Basil's Church on Saturday and Sunday this weekend from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bruce Ogni, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar