



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

July, 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

I. BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

A. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on July 20, 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 in person or by utilizing the web streaming available on www.lincolnri.org, and 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	
Chief Brian Sullivan	Police Chief/ Acting Town Administrator	Present	
Anthony DeSisto	Town Solicitor	Present	
John Ward	Finance Director	Present	

B. Pledge of Allegiance

- 1. Motion To:** add Solicitor update on construction on Whipple/Cullen property pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Leslie Quish, Town Engineer helped in giving an update.

James Seymour of 8 Avenue D spoke regarding the flooding on his property.

John Fenner of 9 Avenue D spoke regarding the flooding on his property.

John Marsland, Chair of Blackstone Watershed spoke.

Kenneth Wood of 19 Cullen Hill Road spoke.

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

2. Motion To: direct Town Staff to proceed with enforcement and remediation.

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

3. Motion To: amend the agenda and take licenses next

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

C. Meeting with School Superintendent and School Committee on Update on Athletic Complex

1. Motion To: amend the agenda and take Public Comment next

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

School Committee member spoke on Athletic Complex.

Russell Cunha of 785 Great Road spoke on wetlands and flooding.

Russell & Donna Chevalier of 44 Olney Avenue spoke regarding signage and speed bump on Lakeview Avenue.

David Weiss of 84 Lonsdale Main Avenue spoke on speed bump request.

Steve Carvalho spoke on honoring Mr. Stallwood in some way.

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

D. Application for Class BV License

1. License 2021-17

Transfer of BV License from Lou's Cafe to Neal's Harmony Cafe

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion was to schedule Public Hearing on August 24, 2021 for the transfer of the Class BV liquor license.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Harmony Cafe (PDF)

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Pamela Azar, Councilwoman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

E. Application for Victualling License

1. License 2021-19

Azorean Kitchen located at 35 Main Street, Albion

ATTACHMENTS:

- Azorean Kitchen (PDF)

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 7/28/2021 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Pamela Azar, Councilwoman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

F. Application for Special Event License

1. License 2021-18

Gillis Block Party on August 7, 2021 in the Saylesville Highlands

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Rock Gillis was present to answer any questions the Council might have had.

Motion was to approve and to waive the fees.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Gillis Block Party (PDF)

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

G. Permit to Solicit

1. License 2021-13

Ashley Wittenstein - Verizon Fios

ATTACHMENTS:

- Solicitor's Permit - Ashley Wittenstein (JPG)

RESULT: DENIED [0 TO 5]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Councilman
NAYS: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

2. License 2021-14

Angelika Colon - Verizon Fios

ATTACHMENTS:

- Solicitor's Permit - Angelika Colon (TIF)

RESULT: DENIED [0 TO 5]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Pamela Azar
NAYS: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

3. License 2021-15

Reece Gibbs - Verizon Fios

ATTACHMENTS:

- Solicitor's Permit - Reece Gibbs (JPG)

RESULT: DENIED [0 TO 5]
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Councilman
NAYS: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

II. TOWN COUNCIL

A. Call to Order

B. 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

- Monday, June 14, 2021
- Tuesday, June 15, 2021
- Thursday, June 24, 2021

2. Consideration of Montly Bills

- Report 2021-62**

Monthly Bills July 2021

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 07 FY21 Direct Pay (PDF)
- 2021 07 FY21 Accounts Payable (PDF)
- 2021 07 FY21 Library (PDF)
- 2021 07 FY22 Direct Pay (PDF)
- 2021 07 FY22 Accounts Payable (PDF)
- 2021 07 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**a. Claim 2021-14**

Stephanie Wood

ATTACHMENTS:

- Wood Claim (PDF)

RESULT: REFERRED TO COMMITTEE [UNANIMOUS] Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

4. Reports**a. Town Administrator****1. Communication 2021-56**

Director of Personnel

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

2. Report 2021-52

Monthly Report: Human Services

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

3. Report 2021-53

Monthly Report: Town Clerk

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

4. Report 2021-54

June 2021 Tax Assessor Monthly Report

ATTACHMENTS:

- June 2021 (PDF)

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

5. Report 2021-55

Monthly Report: Library

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

6. Report 2021-56

June Parks and Recreation Report

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

7. Report 2021-57

Monthly Activity Report: Public Safety

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

8. Report 2021-58

Monthly Report: DPW June 2021

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

9. Report 2021-59

June 2021 Monthly Report - Planning

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

10. Report 2021-61

Monthly Report - Finance July 2021

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 07 monthly council report (PDF)
- 2021 07 Tax Receipts as of June 30 2021 (PDF)
- VLT and Table Game Commissions(PDF)
- 2021 06 School Finance Report (PDF)
- 2021 Town of Lincoln Valuation Report (PDF)
- 2021 Town of Lincoln Experience Study (PDF)
- 2021 06 30 Water Commission Finance Report(PDF)

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

5. Pole Placement

a. Pole Placement 2021-3

National Grid installation of underground facility - Jenckes Hill Estates

ATTACHMENTS:

- Installation of Underground Facilities (PDF)

b. Motion To: approve

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

6. Communications**a. State Mandated Financial Reports****1. Communication 2021-57**

Albion Fire District procedures report

ATTACHMENTS:

- ALBION FIRE DISTRICT 10-31-2020 AUP REPORT TIER II DISTRICT issued (PDF)

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

2. Communication 2021-58

Saylesville Fire District Quarterly Report

ATTACHMENTS:

- Fire-District-Quarterly-Report-Form-FD-3A- qtr ended 3-31-2021 submitted 6-28-2021 (PDF)

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

b. Communication 2021-51

Burrillville Resolution Requesting Removal of Mask Mandate for School Children

ATTACHMENTS:

- Burrillville Comm Mask Mandate (PDF)

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

c. Communication 2021-52

East Greenwich Resolution in Support of PRIDE Month

ATTACHMENTS:

- East Greenwich Pride Month (PDF)

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

d. Communication 2021-54

Barrington Resolution regarding East Bay Bicycle Path Bridges

ATTACHMENTS:

- Barrington Comm East Bay Bicycle Path Bridges (PDF)

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

e. Communication 2021-60

Lonsdale Main Petition for a speed bump

ATTACHMENTS:

- Lonsdale Main Petition for Speed Bump (PDF)

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

f. Communication 2021-61

12 Hour Shifts for Lincoln Police Department

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

g. Communication 2021-62

Lakeview Avenue Request for speed bump

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion was to forward communication to Director of Public Works.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Lakeview Ave Speed Bump (PDF)

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

h. Communication 2021-63

Sale of decommissioned generator to Town Employee

ATTACHMENTS:

- Generator (PDF)

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

7. Tax Abatements

a. Report 2021-60

July 2021 Tax Assessor Abatements

ATTACHMENTS:

- July 2021 (PDF)

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

C. Public Comment

Chief Sullivan gave an update on the dispatcher that was electrocuted this past weekend. He is on the mend.

D. Appointments

1. Appointment 2021-8

Housing Authority Appointment - District 5

HISTORY:

06/15/21 Town Council DEFERRED
Next: 07/20/21

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Louise Laplum was appointed to the Housing Authority

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

2. Appointment 2021-9

Water Commission - District 2

HISTORY:

06/15/21 Town Council DEFERRED
Next: 07/20/21

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ken Booth was appointed to the Water Commission

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

3. Appointment 2021-11

Planning Board Appointment - District 1

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Arthur Russo, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

4. Appointment 2021-12

Budget Board - District 2

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Bruce Ogni, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

5. Appointment 2021-13

Budget Board - District 3

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Arthur Russo, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Pamela Azar, Councilwoman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

6. Appointment 2021-14

Budget Board - District 4

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Pamela Azar, Councilwoman	
SECONDER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

7. Appointment 2021-15

Introduction to new Personnel Director

RESULT:	DEFERRED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Kenneth Pichette, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Pamela Azar, Councilwoman	
AYES:	Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar	

8. Appointment 2021-16

Juvenile Hearing Board Alternate

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Jessica McCluskey appointed as an Alternate to the Juvenile Hearing Board.

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

E. Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance Committee Report**a. Ordinance 2021-7**

Amendment to Chapter 53 of Lincoln Town Ordinance

HISTORY:

06/15/21 Town Council REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
Next: 07/20/21
07/20/21 Ordinance Committee

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion was voted as a roll call vote.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 Rescue Ordinance - Testing (PDF)

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

b. Ordinance 2021-8

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

HISTORY:

06/15/21 Town Council REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
Next: 07/20/21
07/20/21 Ordinance Committee

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

2. Purchasing Committee Report**a. Bid 2021-8**

Bid Waiver Request for police Vehicles Purchase July 2021

HISTORY:

07/20/21

Purchasing Committee

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion was to bypass bidding and purchase two (2) 2021 Dodge Durangos under the MPA. The unmarked vehicle will be \$28,126.00 and the marked vehicle will be \$33,735.00.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2021 07 Police Vehicle Bid Waiver Request for FY2022 (PDF)

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

3. Capital Improvement Committee Report

F. New Business

1. Ordinances for Introduction for Referral to Committee**a. Ordinance 2021-9**

Municipal Affordable Housing Fund

RESULT: REFERRED TO COMMITTEE [UNANIMOUS] Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER: Bruce Ogni, Councilman
SECONDER: Pamela Azar, Councilwoman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

b. Ordinance 2021-10

Lateral Transfer Amendment

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

c. Ordinance 2021-11

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

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

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

ATTACHMENTS:

- Ordinance 260-34,35,40,41 amended (DOCX)

RESULT: REFERRED TO COMMITTEE [UNANIMOUS] Next: 8/24/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER: Kenneth Pichette, Councilman
SECONDER: Bruce Ogni, Councilman
AYES: Macksoud, Russo, Pichette, Ogni, Azar

G. Adjourn

- 1. Motion To:** adjourn at 10:45 p.m.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Announcements:

Chief Sullivan announced that there were three (3) retirees from the Lincoln Police Department.

Councilor Ogni wished them well as well.

Councilor Macksoud wished his daughter Michelle a Happy Birthday.

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