



Town of Lincoln

Town Council Meeting

August 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM
Lincoln Town Hall

MINUTES

Board of License Commissioners

Members Present:

Keith Macksoud, President
Arthur Russo, Jr.
Kenneth Pichette
Bruce Ogni
Pamela Azar
Anthony DeSisto, Town Solicitor
Philp Gould, Town Administrator

A. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on August 20, 2024 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.gov.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

ACTION: Motion to move up item 5.b. up next on the agenda by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

C. Application for a New Class BVL Liquor License

1. Saptigiri LLC d/b/a Sbarro Twin River Second Floor located at 100 Twin River Road

Scott Ray, a representative from Saptigiri was present and answered any questions that the Council may have had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

- a. Public Hearing
There was no one wishing to speak during the Public Hearing.

D. Application for a Transfer of Class BV Liquor License

- 1. Transfer from School Street Tavern, LLC to Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street
Donald Deslauriers, owner, was present and answered any questions that the Council may have had.
ACTION: Motion to grant all licenses on agenda pending approvals by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

- a. Public Hearing
There was no one wishing to speak during the Public Hearing.

E. Application for a Victualling License

- 1. Saptigiri LLC d/b/a Sbarro Twin River Second Floor located at 100 Twin River Road
ACTION: Motion to grant the license by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street

F. Application for a Juke Box Application

1. Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street

G. Application for a Dance License

1. Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street

H. Application for an Entertainment License

1. Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street

I. Application for a Pool Table License

1. Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street

J. Application for an Electrical/Mechanical Application

1. Cool Pickle LLC d/b/a Cool Pickle Restaurant & Bar located at 48 School Street

K. Application for a Special Event License with Class F (Beer and Wine Only)

1. Blackstone River Watershed Council - Ray Pado Memorial Dedication on September 29, 2024 at 100 New River Road, Manville
John Marsland, President of Blackstone River Watershed Council, was present and answered any questions that the Council may have had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license and waive the fee by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

L. Application for a Class F1 (Full Liquor) License

1. Butterfly Farms Sunflower Fest on August 24 & August 31 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 679 Great Road
The application was withdrawn by the applicant.

M. Application for a Special Event License

1. Dana Martinelli - Pine Grove Derby on August 31, 2024 on Pine Grove Avenue
Teresa Hayden of 18 Pine Grove Avenue, was present and answered any questions that the Council may have had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Town Council

N. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on August 20, 2024 at Lincoln Town Hall, 100 Old River Road, Lincoln, RI.

O. 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 item will be removed from the consent agenda.

ACTION: Motion to adopt by Bruce Ogni second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

1. Minutes Approval

a. Minutes of July 15, 2024

b. Minutes of July 16, 2024

2. Consideration of Monthly Bills

3. State Mandated Reports

a. Lincoln Fire District final audited financial statements ending in October 2023

4. Town Administrator Reports

a. Tax Assessor Monthly Report

b. Town Clerk's Monthly Report

c. Parks and Rec montly report

d. Planning Department July Report

e. Building Department Monthly Report

ACTION: Motion to accept the report by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette;

Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

f. Public Safety

ACTION: Motion to accept the report by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

g. Library July 2024 Monthly Report

h. Senior Center

i. Finance Department Monthly Reports

5. Communications

a. Letter from the City of Central Falls Planning & Economic Development Department on a Zoning Application for 10 Higginson Avenue, 756 and 770 Lonsdale Avenue, Central Falls

b. Appointment of new Human Resources Director

ACTION: Motion to ratify the appointment by Ken Pichette second by Bruce Ogni and Arthur Russo;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. Pole Placements

a. New England Way - Relocation of Pole

7. Tax Abatements

a. Tax Assessor Abatements

P. Public Comment

Mary Harten of 12 Smith Street thanked Councilor Russo for his work on the parking and noise on Smith Street. She also thanked Martel Company and Mr. Gagnon, previous Director of Public Works.

Q. Appointments

1. Reappointment to the Tenant Board of Affairs - District 1 - for a term to expire in 2026

ACTION: Motion to reappoint melissa gabriele by Arthur Russo second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Reappointment to the Tenant Board of Affairs - District 2 - for a term to expire in 2026

ACTION: Motion to defer by Bruce Ogni second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

3. Appointment to the Tenant Board of Affairs - District 3 - with a term to expire in 2026

ACTION: Motion to defer by Bruce Ogni second by Ken Pichette and Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

4. Appointment to the Tenant Board of Affairs - District 4 - for a term to expire in 2026

ACTION: Motion to defer by Pam Azar second by Bruce Ogni;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. Appointment to the Tenant Board of Affairs - District 5 - with a term to expire in 2026

ACTION: Motion to defer by Ken Pichette second by Bruce Ogni;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. Appointment to the Zoning Board - District 2 - term to expire in 2028

ACTION: Motion to defer by Bruce Ogni second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

7. Appointment to Zoning Board - District 4 - term to expire in 2025

ACTION: Motion to defer by Pam Azar second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. Reappointment to Zoning Board - District 5 - term to expire in 2029

ACTION: Motion to reappoint steve kearns by Ken Pichette second by Arthur Russo;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. Two (2) reappointments to the Zoning Board - Alternates - for terms to expire in 2025

ACTION: Motion to reappoint kazem farhoumand & frank spezzano, jr by Ken Pichette second by Bruce Ogni; Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

10. Reappointment to the Conservation Commission - for a term to expire in 2027

ACTION: Motion to reappoint francine jackson by Bruce Ogni second by Pam Azar; Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

11. Reappointment to the Juvenile Hearing Board - Alternate - for a term to expire in 2027

ACTION: Motion to defer by Bruce Ogni second by Pam Azar; Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

12. Appointment to the Tax Assessor Board of Review - for a term to expire in 2029

ACTION: Motion to appoint neal dupuis by Arthur Russo second by Bruce Ogni and Pam Azar; Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

R. Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance Sub Committee Report

a. **2024-3**

Amendment to Chapter 70, Articles I & II of the Lincoln Town Code

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
05/21/2024	Town Council	Referral to Committee
06/10/2024	Ordinance Sub Committee	Deferred in Committee
07/15/2024	Ordinance Sub Committee	Deferred in Committee
08/19/2024	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION:

Motion to adopt by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette and Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0 by a roll call vote

AYES:

Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

b. **2024-5**

Amendment to Sections 207-32 Permits & 207-65 Establishment of Chapter 207 Sewers

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
07/16/2024	Town Council	Referred to Committee
08/19/2024	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION:

Motion to adopt section 207-65 by Arthur Russo second by Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0 by a roll call vote

AYES:

Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

2. Purchasing Sub Committee Report

a. Request to Waive Competitive Bidding for Police Vehicles

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
08/20/2024	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to liberty chevrolet & island tech services in the amount of \$180,551.37 by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

b. Request to Waive Competitive Bidding for Cardiac Monitors

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
08/20/2024	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to zoll medical corp in the amount of \$96,831.78 by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

c. **RFP 2025-02**

Award the bid for Handy Pond Dam Improvements

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
08/20/2024	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to pare corporation in the amount of \$118,000 by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

d. **RFP 2024-16**

Award of bid for Auditing and Agreed-Upon Services

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
08/20/2024	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to clifton larson allen llp in the amount of \$245,400 by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Capital Improvement Committee Report
Councilor Pichette and Administrator Gould gave updates on their respective committees.

4. General Assembly Legislation Update
Administrator Gould gave an update on the RI League of Cities and Towns report card.

S. New Business

1. Resolutions for Introduction for Referral to Committee

a. **2024-20**

Resolution regarding the temporary traffic signals on Breakneck Hill Road in the vicinity of the Route 146 overpass.

ACTION: Motion to immediate consideration by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0

AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ACTION: Motion to adopt by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

b. **2024-21**
Resolution regarding payment of school improvement projects

ACTION: Motion to immediate consideration item by Ken Pichette second by Arthur Russo;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

ACTION: Motion to adopt by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Ordinances for Introduction for Referral to Committee

a. **2024-6**
Amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 260-7: Definitions - Accessory Family Dwelling Unit
Amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 260-9: (L) Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU)

ACTION: Motion to refer to committee and planning board for recommendation by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

- b. **2024-7**
Establishing Board of Licensing Commissioners Rules and Regulations

ACTION: Motion to refer to committee by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

- c. **2024-8**
Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Section 260-9 regarding Short-Term Rental or Lodging

ACTION: Motion to refer to committee and planning board for recommendation by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

T. Adjourn

Council President Macksoud announced the dates and times for Early Voting for the Primary Election.

ACTION: Motion to adjourn the meeting by Bruce Ogni second by Ken Pichette;
Motion passed with a 5:0
AYES: Keith Macksoud, Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Bruce Ogni, Pam Azar
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None