



Town of Lincoln

Town Council Meeting

February 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM
Lincoln Town Hall

MINUTES

Board of License Commissioners

A. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on February 24, 2025 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.

Members Present:

Keith Macksoud, President
Arthur Russo, Jr
Kenneth Pichette
Bruce Ogni
Pamela Azar
Anthony DeSisto, Town Solicitor
Philip Gould, Town Administrator
John Cimino, Finance Director

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilor Russo asked for a moment of silence in memory of Gerald Lamontagne.

C. Application for a Special Event Class F Liquor License (Beer and Wine Only)

1. P&EE Consulting Inc d/b/a PVD Food Truck Events for Food Truck Friday North at 100 Higginson Avenue on the following dates:
Every Friday from Memorial Day through Labor Day
Eric Weiner, applicant, was present and answered any questions that the Council had.

ACTION:

Motion to grant the license and waive the fee, amend the dates to 11 days, and amend liquor distributor to

good vibes beverages by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette;

Motion passed with a 3:2

AYES: Arthur Russo, Ken Pichette, Pam Azar

NOES: Keith Macksoud, Bruce Ogni

ABSTAIN: None

2. Lincoln High School PACT - Taste of the Blackstone event on March 8, 2025 at the Lincoln Senior Center, 150 Jenckes Hill Road
Kate Tompkins, applicant, was present and answered any questions that the Council had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license and waive the fee by Ken Pichette second by Arthur Russo and Pam Azar;

Motion passed with a 5:0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Town of Lincoln - Chase Farm Summer Concert Series at Chase Farm at 667 Great Road on the following dates:
Memorial Day Post Parade Celebration - May 26, 2025
Chase Farm Summer Concert Series:
June 14, 2025
July 12, 2025
August 2, 2025
August 30, 2025
Scott Winslow, Director of Parks & Recreation, was present and answered any questions that the Council had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license and waive the fee 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

D. Application for a Special Event License

1. Butterfly Farms - Easter Egg Hunt at 679 Great Road on April 5th and April 12th (Rain Dates on the following Sundays)

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

E. Application for a Class BV Liquor License

1. We Roast Coffee Company, LLC d/b/a Public House located at 210 Front Street
Edward Sullivan, owner, was present and answered any questions that the Council had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the name change 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

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

F. Application for a new Class BVL Liquor License

1. La Perra Inc d/b/a El Oasis Taqueria located at 80 Higginson Avenue

ACTION: Motion to schedule the public hearing on march 18 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. Schedule a Public Hearing

G. Application for an Entertainment License

1. La Perra Inc d/b/a El Oasis Taqueria located at 80 Higginson Avenue

ACTION: Motion to defer 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

H. Continuation of Show Cause Hearings - Failure to complete renewal applications by deadline of December 1, 2024

1. Target Corporation d/b/a Target Store T-2073 located at 620 George Washington Highway

ACTION: Motion to have the town solicitor find out about fire inspection 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 continue to march 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. Cinemaworld of Florida, Inc d/b/a CW Lanes and Games located at 622 George Washington Highway

License was cleared so the item was passed on the agenda. No action taken.

3. Cinemaworld of Florida, Inc d/b/a CW Lanes and Games (Liquor) located at 622 George Washington Highway

License was cleared so the item was passed on the agenda. No action taken.

Town Council

I. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on February 24, 2025 at Lincoln Town Hall, 100 Old River Road, Lincoln, RI.

J. Joint Meeting with the Lincoln School Department

Lawrence Filippelli, Superintendent, Mario Carreno, School Committee Member, Steve Carvalho, School Committee Member, Lee Matthews, Ahlborg and Lincoln resident, and Robert Turner, Town Moderator all spoke.

There will be a joint meeting between the Town Council and School Committee on March 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Media Center.

1. Change Order Package

K. 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 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

1. Minutes Approval
 - a. Minutes of January 21, 2025 (6:00 p.m.)
 - b. Minutes of January 21, 2025 (6:15 p.m.)
 - c. Minutes of January 21, 2025 (7:00 p.m.)
 - d. Minutes of February 3, 2025
2. Consideration of Monthly Bills
3. Claims for Referral to Committee

- a. Kramer Claim

4. Town Administrator's Reports

- a. Parks and Rec report 2025
- b. Tax Assessor Monthly Report January 2025
- c. Town Clerk's Office Report
- d. Senior Center Report
- e. Building Department Monthly Report
- f. Planning Department January 2025
- g. Public Safety
- h. Library Report January 2025
- i. Human Resources Monthly Report
- j. Finance Department Monthly Reports

5. Communications

- a. A resolution from the Town of Jamestown relative to request certain amendments to Chapter 15 of Title 46 of the General Laws
- b. Letter from ACLU
- c. Email regarding crosswalks in front of Hearthside

ACTION: Motion to accept the communicaiton 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

L. Public Comment

There was no one wishing to speak during Public Comment.

M. Appointments

1. Appointment 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

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

ACTION: Motion to appoint anthony defelice to the tenant board of affairs - district 3 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. 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

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

ACTION: Motion to appoint richard denerstein to the zoning board of review - district 2 by Bruce Ogni second by Arthur Russo and Pam Azar;
Motion passed with a 5:0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

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

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

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. Reappointment to the Juvenile Hearing Board - Alternate - term to expire in 2027

ACTION: Motion to defer to april 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

7. Appointment of Tree Warden

ACTION: Motion to appoint andrew baylon as tree warden by Ken Pichette second by Pam Azar and Bruce Ogni;
Motion passed with a 5:0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

8. Reappointment to the Lincoln Housing Authority - District 5 with a term to expire in 2030

ACTION: Motion to reappoint louise laflamme to the lincoln housing authority - district 5 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

9. Reappointment to the Parks & Recreation Commission - Lime Acres with a term to expire in 2030

ACTION: Motion to reappoint frank kelly to the parks & recreation commission 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

N. Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance Sub Committee Report

- a. **2025-1**
Amendment to Chapter 147 Housing, Article II Comprehensive Permits for Low and Moderate-Income Housing, Sections 5-9

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
01/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
02/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

Ordinances 2025-1 to 2025-5 were all heard as one and taken as one motion and public hearing.

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

ACTION: Motion to adopt by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette;
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

i. Public Hearing

ii. Discussion and/or action

- b. **2025-2**
Amendment to Chapter 260 Zoning, Article IX Nonconformance, Section 55 and 57

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
1/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
2/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

i. Public Hearing

ii. Discussion and/or action

- c. **2025-3**
Amendment to Chapter 260 Zoning, Article X Variances, Sections 60-65

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
1/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
2/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

i. Public Hearing

ii. Discussion and/or action

- d. **2025-4**
Amendment to Chapter 260 Zoning, Article XV Administration and Enforcement, Sections 79 & 80

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
1/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
2/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

i. Public Hearing

ii. Discussion and/or action

- e. **2025-5**
Amendment to Chapter 260 Zoning, Article XVII Adoption and Amendment, Section 92

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
1/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
2/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

i. Public Hearing

ii. Discussion and/or action

- f. **2025-6**
Mapped Street Ordinance Amendment: Stone Way

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
1/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
2/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to adopt by Arthur Russo second by Ken Pichette;
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

- g. **2025-7**
Amendment to Ch 260, Zoning, Article III Use Regulations, Section J

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
1/21/2025	Town Council	Referred to Committee
2/24/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Recommendation

The matter was deferred in committee.

2. Purchasing Sub Committee Report

- a. Request to Waive Competitive Bidding for Police Radios

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
02/24/2025	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to cyber communications solutions in the amount of \$688,886.84 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 IT Firewalls

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
02/24/2025	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to cdw government llc in the amount of \$16,607.54 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. Request to Waive Competitive Bidding for Memorial Day Fireworks Display

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
02/24/2025	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to central maine pyrotechnics in the amount of \$16,500 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
Administrator Gould gave an update on the Rescue Center.

O. Adjourn

Council President Macksoud asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of his dear friend Anthony Caliri.

ACTION: Motion to adjourn the meeting in memory of anthony caliri by Bruce Ogni second by All;
Motion passed with a 5:0

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None