



Town of Lincoln

Town Council Meeting

March 27, 2025 at 6:30 PM
Lincoln Town Hall

MINUTES

Board of License Commissioners

A. Call to Order

6:30 PM Meeting called to order on March 27, 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

C. Application for a Class BVL Liquor License

1. La Perra Inc d/b/a El Oasis Taqueria located at 80 Higginson Avenue Diego Contreras, owner and applicant, was present and answered any questions that the Council may have had.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license by Arthur Russo 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

ACTION: Motion to reconsider the motion 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

ACTION: Motion to amend and grant the license pending all state and local approvals 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

D. Application for an Entertainment License

1. La Perra Inc d/b/a El Oasis Taqueria located at 80 Higginson Avenue
The hours for entertainment will be Fridays & Saturdays from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ACTION: Motion to grant the license with hours amended 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

Town Council

E. Call to Order

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F. Unfinished Business

1. Ordinance Sub Committee Report

a. 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	Deferred in Committee
03/18/2025	Ordinance Sub Committee	Deferred in Committee

ACTION: Motion to adopt 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

ACTION: Motion to amend to add with the understanding that a new ordinance for a special use permit for this particular use and with that this be repealed by Ken Pichette second by Bruce Ogni;
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 Senior Center HVAC Maintenance

History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
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3/27/2025

Purchasing Sub
Committee

Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to automatic temperature control in the amount of \$4,843.08 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

- b. Emergency Procurement for an HVAC unit at the DPW Highway Garage
History:

Date	Meeting Body	Action
3/27/2025	Purchasing Sub Committee	Recommendation

ACTION: Motion to award the bid to automatic temperature control in the amount of \$19,737 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

G. New Business

1. Resolutions for Introduction for Referral to Committee

- a. 2025-8
Resolution requesting full funding of categorical transportation aid pursuant to RIGL 16-7.2-6

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

2. Discussion and/or action on Change Orders

ACTION: Motion to approve change order pc01: early switchgear release - \$600,760.00 by Arthur Russo 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

ACTION: Motion to approve change order pc02: northern roadway circulation changes - \$194,083.00 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 approve change order pc03r1: electrical service upgrades - \$1,049,076.00 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

ACTION: Motion to approve change order pc04: crosscourt steel reinforcements - \$40,000.00 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

ACTION: Motion to approve change order pc05r1: life safety improvements - \$359,000.00 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

ACTION: Motion to approve change order pc06 rev 1: saylesville es entrance & parking modifications - \$286,949.00 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

H. Public Comment

Dawn Joly of Central Street asked for clarification of the Ordinance Amendment.

I. Adjourn