

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA

TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN

RHODE ISLAND



Monday, June 8, 2026

WORK SESSION - 7:00 PM
REGULAR SESSION - 7:30 PM

Town Council Chambers
180 High Street
Wakefield, RI

TOWN COUNCIL

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Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend in person or view the meeting live on the [Town Council YouTube channel](#) or on your local Public Access Television Station.

NOTE: Individuals requesting American Sign Language interpreters or CART service must call the Town Clerk's Office at 401-789-9331 seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting date.

1. Work Session - 7:00 PM

All items listed on the Town Council agenda are subject to discussion.

- A. Review and discussion relative to Form-Based Code on Old Tower Hill Road.

2. Regular Session - 7:30 PM

Please be advised that the Council intends to discuss and/or act upon each and every item appearing on this agenda.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Land Acknowledgement Statement

3. Roll Call

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

- A. Regular Session - May 26, 2026

5. Interviews

- A. Richard Youngken application for reappointment to the Historic District Commission.
- B. Thomas Routliffe application for reappointment to the Economic Development Committee.
- C. Matthew Fraza application for reappointment to the Recreation Commission.
- D. Benedict Ingegneri application for reappointment to the Trustees of the South Kingstown School Funds.
- E. Cherry Chun application for appointment to the Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee or the Conservation Commission.
- F. Donald Ruggieri application for appointment to the Conservation Commission.

6. Appointments

- A. A resolution appointing _____ to the _____ Board/Committee/Commission for a term to expire in _____.

7. Consent Agenda

Rule 13: All items listed with a (CA) are to be considered routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Council, or a member of the public so requests, in which event the item will be removed from Consent Agenda (CA) consideration and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- (CA) A. A resolution authorizing the purchase of up to fifty-eight (58) N-EAR 360 communication equipment, including earpieces, push-to-talk microphone

assemblies, and related accessories, through Safeware, Inc., 4403 Forbes Boulevard, Lanham, MD 20706-4328, pursuant to State of Rhode Island Contract #3667811 and Master Price Agreement (MPA) 577 – Public Safety Related Equipment account, in an amount not to exceed \$9,404.30, inclusive of shipping, as outlined in the memorandum from the Chief of Police to the Town Manager dated May 20, 2026, entitled "Award - Communication Earpieces."

- (CA) B.** A resolution granting the Petition #14804802 of Rhode Island Energy and Verizon New England to relocate Joint Pole P2 on Kenwood Avenue, approximately 40 feet southwest from existing Pole P2 location. Request made by customer who is currently building a new home at 60 Kenwood Avenue. The existing pole is currently located directly in front of proposed new house and to use the public ways named for the purposes stated in said petition, that the work be done to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Services and notification to Town for municipal utility mark-out prior to pole setting, and that this approval is conditioned upon the removal of all existing double poles along the entire length of Kenwood Avenue prior to new pole(s) placement; and any new double poles created as part of this request be removed within sixty (60) calendar days of new pole(s) placement. Said petition is further described in a memorandum from the Public Services Director to the Town Manager dated May 13, 2026 and entitled "Rhode Island Energy Pole Setting Request – Pole P2 Kenwood Avenue."
- (CA) C.** A resolution authorizing the abatement of the remaining small balance of real estate and tangible accounts on the 2025 tax roll. The principal balance remaining of \$4.00 or less of said accounts totals \$27.58 for the 2025 tax roll.

8. Licenses

- A.** A resolution granting Class F 19-Hour Beverage Licenses to South Kingstown Chamber of Commerce d/b/a Southern RI Chamber of Commerce, 230 Old Tower Hill Road, Wakefield, RI 02879 for the Taste of Southern Rhode Island event to be held on Thursday, September 24, 2026, from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Clark Farms, 2984 Commodore Perry Highway, Wakefield, RI 02879. Application by Joe Viele, Executive Director. New; License No. 93553.

9. Public Comment - 30 Minutes

Rule 10A. for the conduct of the meetings of the South Kingstown Town Council: Members of the public shall be entitled to speak at regular meetings during any period designated on the agenda for public comment, once, for a period of five minutes, or longer at the discretion of the President, and at other times when invited to do so by the President. The public shall address their comments to the question under debate as indicated on the agenda. Pursuant to RI General Laws §42-46-6(b), public comment regarding subject matter not on the agenda but received during the public participation portion of a meeting shall be for information purposes only and may not be voted on except where necessary to address an unexpected occurrence that requires immediate action to protect the public or to refer the matter to an appropriate committee or to another body or official.

10. Public Hearing

- A.** A Public Hearing relative to an application for a license to keep and sell alcoholic

beverages in South Kingstown in accordance with the General Laws of 1956, as amended, as follows:

CLASS B LIMITED LIQUOR LICENSE

Transfer of a Class B Limited Liquor License from Rachel's Café LLC d/b/a Rachel's Café, 36 South County Commons Way, Wakefield, RI 02879 by Carlos Taveira, Owner to Rachel's Café RI LLC d/b/a Rachel's Café by Samrat Yogi, Owner for the dining and counter areas; and as further defined in a site plan on file in the Town Clerk's office.

11. New Business

- A. A resolution affirming the Town's Liquor License Rules and Regulations, Section I. The current number of licenses for each class shall be authorized as indicated below, unless changed by a majority vote of the Town Council:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Number</u>
A	4 maximum
B - H	1
B - Limited	7
B - M	0
B - Tavern	1
B - Victualler	33
C	0
D - Club Full Privilege	1
D - Limited	0
F	5 per year per organization
F - 1	5 per year per organization
J - Limited	2
T - Legitimate Theater	2

- B. A resolution authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise for Order of Notice a Public Hearing relative to implementation of Form-Based Code on Old Tower Hill Road.
- C. A proposal for a resolution recognizing Wakefield as the birthplace of chicken salad, honoring the original recipe first created here in 1863, as requested by

Council Member Wegimont.

- D.** A resolution authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise for Order of Notice a Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Town Code, Chapter 17 Taxation, Article II Property Assessment Appeals, Section 17-21. Filing with assessment board of review., as attached.
- E.** A resolution authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise for Order of Notice a Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to the Town Code, Chapter 17 Taxation, Article III. Property Tax Exemptions for Elderly Persons, Section 17-43. Applications for tax exemption to contain evidence of eligibility. and Section 17-44. Amount of exemption; filing of applications., to amend applicants' total gross household income threshold for eligibility in accordance with current Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) values, as attached.
- F.** A resolution authorizing an award to CDW-G, 75 Remittance Drive, Suite 1515, Chicago, IL 60675-1515 for software in the amount of \$28,968.30 with a 3-year renewal option not to exceed a ten percent (10%) increase over the prior year as described in a memorandum from the Director of IT to the Town Manager dated May 29, 2026, and titled "SIEM Software Renewal Recommendation".
- G.** A resolution authorizing an award of bid to Dimeo Properties, Inc, 475 Kilvert Street, Warwick, RI 02886 for Town Facilities Landscape Services, for a two (2) year term with an optional third year should we choose to extend in an amount not to exceed Year 1-\$40,000, Year 2- \$41,685 and optional third year \$42,635, as further described in a purchasing recommendation from the Director of Facilities to the Town Manager dated May 28, 2026, regarding Town Facilities Landscape Services.
- H.** A resolution authorizing an award to Atlantic Coast Polymer, Inc., 224 Commercial Blvd. Suite 204, Lauderdale By The Sea, FL 33308, for dry (APC345) and liquid (APC660U) polymer, in an amount not to exceed \$2.52 per lb.(ACP345) and \$2.52 per lb. (ACP660U), until December 31, 2026, with a not to exceed 10% increase for the remainder of the fiscal year and not to exceed 10% increase for an additional 1-year contract, through FY 2027-28, as further described in a purchasing recommendation from the Director of Public Services to the Town Manager dated May 27, 2026, regarding 'Wastewater Division Proprietary Chemical – FY 2026-27 Polymer.'
- I.** A resolution authorizing an award to Evoqua Water Technologies, LLC, 2650 Tallevast Road, Sarasota, Florida 34243 for Bioxide, in an amount not to exceed \$3.44 per gallon until August 31, 2026, with a not to exceed 10% increase for the remainder of the fiscal year and not to exceed 10% increase for an additional 1-year contract, through FY 2027-28, as further described in a purchasing recommendation from the Director of Public Services to the Town Manager dated May 27, 2026, regarding 'Wastewater Division Proprietary Chemicals - Bioxide.'
- J.** A resolution authorizing an award of bid for miscellaneous road building materials to the following bidders at the unit prices and as further described in a memorandum from the Public Services Director to the Town Manager dated May 28, 2026, and entitled 'Bid Recommendation – FY 2026-27 Road Building

Materials'.

VENDOR	PRODUCT
Richmond Sand & Stone, Inc. 35 Stilson Road Richmond, RI 02898	Concrete Sand - Picked Up & Delivered Crushed Stone - 1"-1 1/2" - Picked Up & Delivered Crushed Stone 2-3" - Picked Up Bank Run Gravel - Picked Up & Delivered Rip Rap NSA #R-3 - Picked Up & Delivered Screened Loam - Delivered
PJ Keating Company 998 Reservoir Rd Lunenburg, MA 01462	Armor Stone 1 CY - Picked Up Armor Stone 2 CY - Picked Up Armor Stone 3 CY - Picked Up Armor Stone 4 CY - Picked Up
Johnston Asphalt 100 Allendale Rd. Johnston, RI 02919	Cold Patch - Picked Up & Delivered Permanent Cold Patch - Picked Up & Delivered
Charlestown Farms LLC 80 Compass Circle North Kingstown, RI 02852	Crushed Stone 3/8" - Picked Up & Delivered Crushed Stone 1/2" - Picked Up & Delivered Crushed Stone 3/4" - Picked Up & Delivered Bituminous Concrete (Hot) - Delivered
JR Vinagro Corp 2208 Plainfield Pike Johnston, RI 02919	Winter Sand - Picked Up & Delivered Stone Dust - Picked Up & Delivered Processed Gravel - Picked Up & Delivered Crushed Stone 2"-3" - Picked Up & Delivered Rip Rap NSA #R-8 - Picked Up & Delivered Armor Stone 1, 2, & 3 CY - Picked Up & Delivered Concrete 4000psi - 1, 2, 3 CY *See Below
J. H. Lynch & Son, Inc. 270 North Road P.O. Box 3700 Peace Dale, RI 02879	Bituminous Concrete (Hot) - Picked Up **See Attached Spreadsheet for

	Additional Cost Breakdowns for Trucking and Travel
Material Sand & Stone Corp 618 Greenville Rd. North Smithfield, RI 02896	Crushed Stone 2-3" - Picked Up Rip Rap NSA #R-6 - Picked Up & Delivered Screened Loam - Picked Up & Delivered Concrete 4,000psi - 5 CY & 6 or more CY Flowable Fill - By CY Bituminous Concrete - (Hot Winter Use) - Picked Up
Cullion Concrete Corp P.O. Box 8979 Cranston, RI 02920	Concrete 4000psi - 1 CY *See Below

* - Calcium, Hot Water, Re-enforcing Fiber and Corrosion Inhibitor Additives though different from each vendor is specific to how much and which vendor is used for pricing. Cannot be separated out.

- K.** A resolution authorizing an award of bid for Drainage/ Concrete Curb / Retaining Wall Materials to the following bidders at the unit prices bid and as further described in a memorandum from the Public Services Director to the Town Manager dated May 28, 2026, and entitled 'Bid Recommendation - FY 2026-27 Drainage/ Concrete Curb/ Retaining Wall Materials.'

VENDOR	PRODUCT
EJ Prescott Inc 38 Albion Rd Lincoln, RI 02865	Standard Catch Basin Grate w/o Frame Standard Drainage Manhole- Frame & Cover High Capacity Catch Basin Grate w/o Frame Sewer Frame & Cover - 24" Sewer Frame & Cover - 30" GeoGrid
Warwick Winwater Company 62 Wyoming Ave Warwick, RI 02888	Standard Catch Basin - Frame & Grate High Capacity Catch Basin - Frame & Grate

- L.** Motion that the Town Council authorize the write-off of the attached list of uncollectible motor vehicle and tangible taxes from the 2015 tax roll totaling

\$28,625.69.

- M.** Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Tax Resolutions — Be it resolved that the Town Council hereby orders the assessment and collection of a tax on the ratable real estate and tangible personal property in a sum not more than \$81,700,000; said tax is for the ordinary expenses and charges, for the payment of interest and indebtedness, in whole or in part of said Town, and for other purposes authorized by law. The Tax Assessor shall assess and apportion said tax on the inhabitants and ratable property of said Town as of the 31st day of December, A.D. 2025 at Twelve o'clock midnight, according to law (the date of assessment) and shall, on completion of said assessment, date, certify, and sign the same and deliver to and deposit the same in the office of the Town Clerk on or before the 15th day of August, A.D. 2026.
- N.** A resolution to formally adopt the FY 2026-2027 Non-Union Employee Benefit Summary and Non-Union Employee Pay Plan, including the Position Allocation to Pay Schedule and Grade & Step Schedule, as outlined in the Town Council's FY 2026-2027 Budget adopted April 27, 2026, as amended herein, and as further described in a memorandum from the Deputy Town Manager/DOAS to the Town Manager dated June 1, 2026 and entitled "FY 2026-2027 Non-Union Municipal Personnel Pay Plan and Benefits Adoption."
- O.** A resolution authorizing the award of contract to JHB Group, 8104 N. Solon Road, Solon Mills, Illinois 60071, pursuant to Solicitation #SK0069PD, for the design, construction, equipment integration, delivery, training, and support of a Mobile Command Post Vehicle, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, utilizing funding provided through the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office), Federal Award Number 15JCOPS-24-GG-02291-TECP, as further described in a memorandum from the Chief of Police to the Town Manager dated June 1, 2026, entitled "Recommendation for Award - Mobile Command Post Vehicle."
- P.** A resolution authorizing Town Council approval for temporary extended service hours for The Ocean Mist and The Pub pursuant to RIGL 3-7.1-1, as requested by Nicole Ducheneau, Business Administrator, Matunuck Group, in an email dated June 1, 2026.

12. Town Manager's Report

- A.** South Kingstown High School and CCMS Athletic Facility Design and Construction Update
- B.** Update on Moody's Bond Rating for the Town of South Kingstown
- C.** Update on proposed amendments to the Town's Zoning Ordinance relating to farm stands
- D.** Update on the Town's Irrigation Ordinance

13. Public Comments - Continued

14. Communications

- A.** An email dated June 3, 2026, from Residents of Rodman Street in opposition to approval of a farm stand and expanded agricultural operations in the neighborhood surrounding Rodman Street is accepted, approved, and the Town Council further directs _____.

- B.** An email dated March 13, 2026 from Shirley Freitag, Narrow River Preservation Association, requesting to make a presentation to the Town Council related to the dredging of the Narrow River and other organizational initiatives is accepted, approved, and the Town Council further directs _____.