

NORTH KINGSTOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OVERVIEW



Meeting Date: Monday, July 14, 2025

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The North Kingstown Town Council met for a regularly scheduled evening meeting held on Monday, July 14 in Council Chambers at 80 Boston Neck Road, for the 14th Town Council meeting of the 2025 Calendar Year.

The meeting was highlighted by the Finance Director's [Year-to-Date Budget Report](#), projecting a Fiscal Year 2025 surplus of \$1.9 million, with the growing surplus providing funding for one-time purchases and reducing the tax rate. The Finance Department is now beginning the Audit process which will result in the Fiscal Year 2025 Audit being completed by December 31. The Finance Director's [Memo](#) to Town Council was also included in the meeting packet for item 24: Report by Finance Director.

The Council Meeting began with two Public Hearings. The first resulted in Council authorizing an expansion of the Liquor License at Gooseneck Vineyards, allowing the premises to include additional outdoor seating; the second amended the Bidding Ordinance, adjusting bidding limitations to the Consumer Price Index. Public Comment followed the Public Hearing, where members of the public are provided an opportunity to present public comment on issues within the agenda as well as any issues that may not be on the agenda.

The Town Council then proceeded with a busy Consent Agenda, including adoption of previous Council Meeting minutes; awarding of the bids for Golf Carts at the Municipal Golf Course, architectural services for renovations at the Municipal Office Building at 100 Fairway Drive, the town's Annual Paving Contract, and financing for police vehicles; entertainment licenses for the Ocean State Pops Orchestra Concert at the Town Beach on August 9; amendments to the town's Personnel Rules & Regulations; and authorization for the town to work with Wickford Art Association on their efforts to install a shed upon leased town property.

The Town Council then heard the Town [Manager's Report](#) highlighting various projects and their progress, well as an update on a Federal Appropriation for the renovation of the Old Town Meeting House, Parking Pass regulations at Town Beach, and updates on the PFAS Class Action Suit, as well as the Thomas Dambo Troll installation coming to North Kingstown this August. The Manager's Report also introduced the date of the 2nd Annual Family Day at Wilson Park: Saturday, September 6, from Noon until 5:00 p.m.

The meeting concluded with the Town Council making an appointment to the Board of Canvassers and Council Person Linnea Drew updating the Town Council on correspondence.

You can watch the entire Town Council meeting via the link at the start of this overview, at any time. The next meeting of the Town Council will be on Monday, August 18, starting at 7:00 p.m. also in Council Chambers on the 2nd Floor of Town Hall (80 Boston Neck Road).

All future meetings are listed in the [Town Council meeting calendar](#) on our website.