Date posted: AUGUST 17, 2021 by 4:00 P.M.
All items on this agenda are to be discussed and/or acted upon.

TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
TOWN COUNCIL
Town Council Chambers
40 Commons
Little Compton, RI

MEETING OF AUGUST 19, 2021

AGENDA

6:15 PM – Interview session with two (2) interested parties who wish to fill the vacancy on the Zoning Board of Review alternate member.

7:00 P.M.

Pledge to the Flag

Public Hearing – Proposal to amend Chapter 8 of the Little Compton Town Code Chapter 8-1.5 and 8-1.6 concerning Rules and Regulations for the Transfer Station and Transfer Station fees proposed language posted on the town website and available through the Little Compton Town Clerk’s Office.

Approval of Minutes -
August 5, 2021 – Council meeting
August 16, 2021 – Joint meeting with Charter Review

* Consent Agenda - All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be withdrawn from the General Order of business and considered in the normal sequence on the agenda.

** These items are received and filed with no other action taken.

Announcements:

Old Business:

New Business:

1. Request from Kyle Johnson to offer a presentation to the Council relating to their concerns with trash problems at the Sakonnet Point breakwater and surrounding areas.
2. Request from the Town Administrator for award of roofing repair contract for Public Safety Complex.
3. Consider requesting the Solicitor prepare, with advice and input from the Town Administrator and the Zoning Official, a draft ordinance concerning compassion centers in the Town.

Board of License Commissioners:

1. Request from the LC Community Center asking to transfer a Class F one day Beverage License previously approved from August 4th to be used August 25th due to the cancellation of the event on August 4th.

Communications:

1. Communication from Carter Wilkie offering his presentation given at the LC Historical Society annual meeting on “Does Farming Have a Future in Little Compton”
2. Request for a pole placement made by National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. for a pole at pole #143 and #143-84 at 526 Long Highway
3. Abatement list received from the Tax Assessor

Executive Session – under RIGL Section 42-46-5(a)(2) – potential litigation

Payment of Bills

All are welcome to any meeting at the town, which is open to the public. Individuals requiring communication assistance or any accommodation to ensure equal participation will need to contact the Town Clerk at 635-4400 not less than 48 hours prior to the meeting.
Minutes of a Town Council meeting held August 5th, AD 2021 in the Town Council Chambers, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI at 7:00 o’clock PM. Councillors present: Paul J. Golembeske, Gary S. Mataronas, Patrick McHugh, Andrew W. Moore and Robert L. Mushen. Also in attendance: Antonio Teixeira, Town Administrator, Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor (arrived at 7:02 PM), Police Chief Raynes, DPW Director Bill Moore and Denise Cosgrove, Tax Assessor.

Pledge to the Flag.

Motion made by Councillor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councillor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To approve, as written the July 20, 2021 Town Council meeting minutes.

Motion made by Councillor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councillor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To approve, as written the July 22, 2021 Town Council meeting minutes.

Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor arrived at 7:02 PM.

Announcements:

1) 60th Annual Summer Fair and the 40th Annual Road Race of the United Congregational Church will be held this Saturday on August 7th, please be aware of vehicular limitations around the Commons during this time.
2) The Little Compton Wilbur School Gymnasium will be dedicated to David MacGregor this Saturday at 5 PM. After the dedication ceremony the 3rd Annual Soccer Games will be held on the James Hayes Recreational Field at 6 PM and 7 PM.

The Town Council President polled his fellow Councillors as to their wishes to add by unanimous consent a letter received from the Police Chief seeking permission to park cars on the Adamsville Ballfield on August 21, 2021 from 7 am to 9 pm as a staging area for the walkers participating in a Walk-A-Thon for the RI Special Olympics Torch Run. Receiving no objections the Council President assigned Councillor McHugh to handle this matter.

Motion made by Councillor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councillor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To place on file the following Department Head Reports:

1. Town Clerk – report of office activity for July 2021
2. Police Department – report of department activity for July 2021
3. Building Department – Analytics report for July 2021
4. Fire Department – Monthly activity report for July 2021
5. Tax Assessor – report of office activity for July 2021
7. Finance Director – Monthly report on initiatives and financial highlights

Motion made by Councillor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councillor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To hold interviews on August 19th at 6:15 PM with residents who have expressed an interest to fill the vacancy of alternate member of the Zoning Board of Review.

General discussion of a proposal to set a date for a public hearing to consider amending Chapter 8 of the Little Compton Town Code as it relates to the Town Transfer Station operation.
• Volume of construction debris has increased costs for overall tonnage
• Original intent was to encourage compliance with annual stickers
• Town Administrator has taken on task of spot checking sticker compliance which has resulted in a push of residents purchasing their annual stickers
• Enforcement of sticker compliance is extremely important
• Several options to pay for stickers — in person, through drop box or through the mail
• Town’s overall goal is to reduce the solid waste tonnage through several methods, sticker compliance, reduction of commercial construction debris and increased recycling compliance.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To schedule a Public Hearing for August 19th at 7 PM to consider amending Chapter 8 of the Little Compton Town Code as it relates to transfer station fees and operations.

Polly Allen asked if there would be a senior discount for the stickers should a senior have difficulty paying the proposed new rate. She was informed we would handle those on a case by case basis.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To approve a request to use Veterans Field on September 27, 2021 from about 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM for the 7th Annual Family Dinner Night hosted by the LC Prevention Coalition.

Motion made by Councilor Musher, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Musher): To approve the action of Officer Caitlin Farrar accepting the honorary rank of Corporal due to her completion of ten (10) years of exemplary service to the Town of Little Compton and its residents, and to additionally congratulate Corporal Farrar on her achievement.

The Administrator submitted a report noting that the Town is initiating the Road Paving Program, starting with Maple Avenue under the direction of BETA Engineering. A Scope of Services proposal has been submitted for execution. Each resident on Maple Avenue will be reached out to personally by the Town Administrator to discuss the impact of the project. Councilor McHugh asked if a plan existed for the public to view and was this proposal for local or state roadways. He was informed the state handles the state roadways. The BETA Group completed in 2020 a Roadway plan for maintenance of the local roads. This proposal is a direct result of that plan. After a brief discussion the following was voted:

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Musher): To authorize the Town Administrator to sign a proposal on behalf of the Town to engage professional services of the BETA Group, Inc. for the roadway rehabilitation measures for Maple Avenue and a short section of Long Highway, immediately south of the intersection with Peakham Road.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Musher): To authorize the purchase of a 2021 Ford SUV Administrative vehicle for the sum of $39,315.79, which includes a $4,000 trade-in and transferring some of the equipment from the 2013 Ford SUV; monies shall be allocated for payment out of the following accounts $10,000 from LCPD Capital Expenditure, $14,000 from 1585-7915 encumbrance from FY21 and $15,315.79 from the cruiser detail fund.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor McHugh, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Musher): To approve the end-of-year financial actions for FY21 as presented in a Memorandum from the Council President.
Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To grant permission to the United Congregational Church to use the Town Landing on August 29, 2021 at 10 am for a Beach Service.

A motion was made and seconded: To refer to the Beach Commission a letter received from Jeff & Susan Raposo suggesting South Shore Beach become “for residents only”.

Discussion of the suggestion ensued between the Councilors and Bill Ryan, Chair of the Beach Commission and Jim Farrell, Manager of South Shore Beach. Councilor McHugh questioned if there was anything in the State enabling legislation that would allow the Town Council to manage the beach. Richard Humphrey responded that the Beach Commission has the authority to manage the Beaches and Commons of the town and will consider the matter and bring it back to the Town Council if they feel it is necessary. He also noted that the Town Council only has the ability to adopt ordinances relating to the beach not the management of the beach. Comment was made by the Beach Manager that a request similar to this was made a number of years ago which resulted in the Beach Commission refraining from that action in part due to the belief that federal funding may be withheld if the beach is not open to all. A formal written opinion was not offered at this time.

Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To refer to the Beach Commission a letter received from Jeff & Susan Raposo suggesting South Shore Beach become “for residents only”.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To place on file and on the town bulletin board an announcement from the LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust of an event to be held September 18, 2021 at 231 Peckham Road for the inauguration of a new Agri-Path and inform the public of the farmland and properties which have been preserved in town. The event to be held 2 pm to 5 pm.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): To concur with the Tax Assessors use of a new form as it relates to annual renewals of participants enrolled in the Farmed properties under the State Farm, Forest and Open Space Program.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor McHugh, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen): That the recommendation of the Tax Assessor for the cancellation of the following taxes be granted under Section 44-7-14 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended:

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Ham, John T. & Joan L.
08-0157-00  031/0043-1  $15,800.00  $95.43  2021

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen):** To approve a request made by the Little Compton Republican Town Committee to use Veterans Field on June 12, 2022 for an Antique Car Show from 10 am to 2 pm.

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen):** To place on file a copy of a proclamation adopted by the Warren Town Council proclaiming August 9th as International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples.

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen):** To place on file a copy of an electronic invitation to attend the Eastern RI Conservation District’s farm tour of Roots Family Farm, 217 East Road, Tiverton on August 8, 2021 at 3 pm.

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by show of hands (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore, Mushen):** That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: $51,092.62

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With no further business to conduct the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk

The Charter Review Commission (CRC) called it's meeting to order at 6:32 PM, with the Council joining in open session immediately following to allow the Councilors to interact during the meeting. The meeting was conducted by the Charter Review Commission following its agenda.

Discussion ensued with all who were present concerning several sections of the Charter. Additional attendees: Antonio Teixeira, Town Administrator, Fire Chief Petrin and Denise Cosgrove, Tax Assessor.

Council comments

RE: 902 Fire Department, 901 Police Department – in agreement with the Fire Chief’s request to mirror language in 901 for 902 by adding “The Fire Chief shall be the chief administrative officer of the Department and the final departmental authority in all matters of policy, operations, and discipline, subject to applicable provisions of State law.”

RE: 502.B.2 – compensation elected official(s) – remove “and Town Treasurer/Tax Collector” and suggest leaving the recommending changes to still be sought by the Budget Committee of the Town Council who work closely with the Town Clerk.

RE: 502.B.3 and 505 – no issue with clarifying that the Town Administrator is tasked with preparing a Capital Expenditure Program for the Budget Committee to annually review.

RE: 605 and 606 – Tax Assessor and Tax Assessment Board of Review. Adding language to the suggested language the Assessor offered for section 605 to include “having prior professional training and/or experience in assessment, property appraisal and related matters”. After a brief discussion the Council felt the suggested language seemed sufficient at this time for Section 606.

RE: 204 Elections to Office at Town Meeting – discussion of current requirement to remain 30 minutes beyond the adjournment of the Town Meeting. The Town Clerk on behalf of the Board of Canvassers suggested including language to allow the Board of Canvassers to determine if no further voters were present before declaring the polls closed.

RE: 503 – Preparation of the Budget – discussion of current and past practice for budget preparation. This section still needs closer review and consideration prior to developing a proposal in the Council’s opinion. (Some comments were made that needing clarification of interpretation made by some charter review members)

RE: 601 – Town Administrator – suggestions were made by Michelle Stecker, but the council and her fellow commission members wanted time to review and comment at a future date.

Chair, Jack Haire noted that his commission members should continue to review input given this evening and the electronic filing offered by Larry Anderson in preparation for the next meeting on September 20th.

Both meetings were adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk
Special Directive 5 (Revision 13)

Extension of State of Emergency in Town of Little Compton

WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island has declared a state of emergency due to the outbreak of COVID-19, as set forth in Executive Order 20-02 issued by Governor Gina M. Raimondo on 9 March 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Little Compton Town Council on 16 March 2020 adopted a Declaration of Emergency and Emergency Ordinance due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, confirming the authority of the Town Council President to declare a state of emergency in the Town of Little Compton, and

WHEREAS, said state of emergency in the Town was renewed and amended on 30 April 2020, and subsequently has been extended through 20 August 2021, and

WHEREAS, further extension is in order due to the continued danger to health and safety.

NOW THEREFORE, the Little Compton Town Council on 19 August 2021 extended the state of emergency in the Town through 24 September 2021, unless renewed, modified or terminated by subsequent order.

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Robert L. Mushen
President, Little Compton Town Council
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON RHODE ISLAND
NOTICE OF
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
CHAPTER VIII OF THE LITTLE COMPTON TOWN CODE

A public hearing will be held August 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM to consider amending various fees charged under Chapter 8 of the Town Code – Streets and Sanitation. The amendment in summary proposes to increase fees for Transfer Station Stickers/ Coupons and Seasonal Passes, add fees for tires, increase Trash Hauling license fees and consider eliminating the acceptance of commercial construction debris.

This proposal and the existing ordinance may be viewed at the Town Hall, Town Clerk’s Office, 40 Commons, Little Compton during normal business hours or on the Town website under announcements at www.littlecomptonri.org. Anyone wishing to be heard on this proposal should attend the public hearing or submit comments in writing to the Town Clerk on or before said hearing date.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Town Clerk’s Office at (401) 635-4400, 72 hours in advance of the hearing date.

HEARING DATE: August 19, 2021
TIME: 7:00 PM
PLACE: Town Hall, Town Council Chambers, 40 Commons
Little Compton, RI

Sakonnet Times – August 12, 2021
The following shows the proposed product for amendment to the Little Compton Town Code Chapter 8 to increase fees, delete acceptance of construction debris from commercial contractors and clarify additional recyclable materials accepted at the town facility.

Increased fees listed within this proposal in summary as follows:

Transfer Station stickers increase from $5 each to $25 each annually
Coupons used for single day entry increase from $2 each to $5 each
Seasonal passes increase from $5 each to $15 each
Trash Hauling License increase from $300 annually to $500 annually
Tires increases from no fee to the following:

1. Tires – Car $5 each
2. Tires – Tractor Trailer $10 each
3. Tires – Oversized, Off-road $100 each

A Public Hearing will be held August 19th, 2021 at 7 PM during the Town Council meeting.

Full version of code sections 8-1.5 and 8-1.6 with amendments inserted:

§ 8-1 DISPOSAL OF WASTE.

§ 8-1.5 Rules and Regulations for the Town Transfer Station.

e. The following items will be accepted at the transfer station:

1. Normal residential household trash and garbage. All trash shall be transported to the transfer station in leak-proof containers with closed tops.

2. Grass, leaves and loose hedge trimmings.

3. All materials listed in Section 8-1.5, d, 3 as recyclable

(a) Other materials identified by the Town where collection containers have been provided such as:

   1. Clothing/textiles
   2. E-waste
   3. Rechargeable batteries

4. Used oil — Used oil will be transported to the transfer station in non-breakable, leak-proof containers. Only standard grades of automobile oil will be accepted. No other liquid substance should be transported to the station for any purpose. Disposal of used oil at the station will be in accordance with the posted regulations.

5. White goods, scrap metal and tires — White goods, scrap metal and tires will be accepted at the transfer station as a service to the homeowner but will not be accepted from a commercial business unless said business pays the following fees:

(a) Tires

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1. Tires received individually shall carry a fee to match the fee charges by RJ Resource Recovery Corporation listed in Section 8-1.6. Tires with rims shall carry a fee twice the value of the documented fee listed in Section 8-1.6.

2. Individual smaller tires such as bicycle, motorcycle or small utility trailer tires shall be free.

(b) White goods and scrap metal: $30 per trip for vehicles with a carrying capacity of less than 2,000 pounds.

6. Construction debris received directly from the property owner in small quantities for work done on property owned in Little Compton after paying the fee listed in Section 8-1.6.

f. The following items will not be accepted at the transfer station:

1. All liquid and semi-liquid wastes with the exception of used oil, as specified above.
2. Tree stumps, wood and roots of any size or description.
3. Animal remains.
4. Ash, cinders or hot loads.
5. Boulders, dirt, gravel, or any other earthen materials.
6. Farm equipment, industrial equipment, automobiles or parts thereof.
7. Pathological or biological or hazardous wastes as defined by any governmental agency.
8. Chemicals or compounds that are explosive, flammable, radioactive or toxic.
9. Any substance or material or item that may cause damage to or adversely affect the operation of the Little Compton Transfer Station.

g. No scavenging, dump picking or loitering will be permitted at the transfer station.

h. No trucks, trailers, or other open vehicles will be allowed entry into the transfer station if their load is not covered.

i. All items deposited at the transfer station become the property of the Town of Little Compton. The Town may dispose of the items in any way appropriate.

j. It is expressly prohibited to deposit into the household trash compactor items specified herein as recyclable, including newspapers, aluminum beverage cans, plastic, glass, heavy metals. The Town reserves the right to inspect resident’s bagged trash to ensure appropriate separation of solid waste and recyclable materials.

k. No commercial loads of construction debris will be accepted.

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§ 8-1.6 Fee Schedule; Transfer Station Stickers/Coupons/Seasonal Passes.

a. Transfer station stickers shall be issued annually to residents of the Town of Little Compton. Each sticker shall carry a fee of $25 and shall be permanently affixed by the resident to a window on the driver's side of the vehicle in such a manner as to be readily visible by the transfer station attendant. Proof of vehicle registration and residency within the Town of Little Compton will be required.

b. Coupons may be purchased for use by temporary residents, such as short term or seasonal rentals. Said coupons shall carry a fee of $5 per coupon expiring on the 31st of December annually. The coupon will allow the holder to deliver household trash to the Town Transfer Station by surrendering one coupon per trip to the transfer station attendant. Proof of temporary residency will be required. Coupons may be purchased by local realtors to be utilized with Little Compton rental properties.

c. Seasonal passes may be purchased for use by summer residents that will allow passage into the Town Transfer Station from Memorial Day to September 30 during the year of issue. Said passes shall carry a fee of $15. Proof of seasonal residency and vehicle registration will be required.

d. All other vehicles, except vehicles which collect waste in the Town for hire, may use the Town transfer station under the following conditions:

1. They may only deposit trash at the transfer station which is generated in the Town.

2. A permit shall be obtained from the Town Clerk for each trip to the transfer station for construction debris received from residents (non-commercial) in a vehicle with a carrying capacity of less than 2,000 pounds or a trailer with no more than 160 cubic feet shall carry a fee of $75. No larger capacities will be accepted.

3. No vehicle with a carrying capacity of greater than 11,999 pounds and no rollers or roll off boxes will be allowed to dump at the Town transfer station.

4. For convenience, one or more permits may be purchased from the Town Clerk at one time.

5. Permits must be provided to the attendant at the transfer station upon entry.

c. All qualified persons engaged in the business of collecting and hauling refuse to be delivered to the Town Transfer Station for refuse generated within the boundaries of the Town shall be licensed by the Town, pursuant to Section 23-18.9-1(b)(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws.

1. The following fees shall be charged:

(a) A fee of $500 per year for each vehicle with a gross weight in excess of 4,000 pounds.

2. No licenses shall be granted until all Town taxes and fees shall have been paid to date to the Town Treasurer and Collector of Taxes or other Municipal Agency authorized to collect such fees or taxes.

3. Licensed haulers shall collect only that residential solid waste that is source separated by the resident into the recyclable and non-recyclable components.
4. Licensed haulers shall keep recyclable materials separate from non-recyclable residential solid waste.

5. Licensed haulers shall maintain any separated recyclable materials that are delivered to either a Town, State, or State designated recycling facility in processable condition.

6. Licensed haulers shall keep residential recyclable materials separate from recyclables collected from commercial accounts.

7. Licensed haulers who deliver recyclables to a Town, State, or State designated recycling facility shall deliver to said facility only recyclables generated by residents of the Town of Little Compton.

8. Licensed haulers shall deliver all recyclables designated to go to a Town, State, or State designated recycling facility to said facility.

f. Any person or business that wishes to dispose of a refrigerator, freezer, air conditioner, dehumidifier or any other appliance that requires Chlorofluorocarbons (CFC) and/or Hydrofluorocarbons (HFC) removal shall first obtain a permit from the Town Clerk which shall be presented to the attendant at the transfer station. The fee for said permit shall be $25 for each appliance.

g. Any person or business that wishes to dispose of a mattress or box spring shall be allowed to dispose for free unless said mattress or box spring is deemed unrecoverable by RI Resource Recovery standards whereby there shall be a fee levied for disposal equal to the rate charged to the Town by RI Resource Recovery.

h. Tires shall carry a fee as set forth by RI Resource Recovery Corporation (valid July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2023) listed as follows:

   | Tires – Car       | $5 each |
   | Tires – Tractor Trailer | $10 each |
   | Tires – Oversized, Off-Road | $100 each |

Amendment to become effective as of “To be determined”
Hi Carol,

We would like to be added to the agenda for Thursday's town council meeting to briefly discuss the trash problem at the Sakonnet Point breakwater and the surrounding area. During the past six weeks, we have removed an estimated 250 to 300 pounds of trash, but more accumulates every day. We would like to speak to a PowerPoint presentation that describes the problem and offers some ideas that might help to mitigate it.

Thanks!

-Kyle & CJ
To: Honorable Town Council

From: Antonio A. Teixeira
Town Administrator

Date: August 19, 2021

Subject: Public Safety Complex Roof

There have been many issues with roof leakage in different areas of the Public Safety Complex. As a result, operations and occupancy have been adversely impacted by loose flooring, damaged carpets and leaking ceilings.

We have enlisted the voluntary consulting service from Matt Ladd who has been in the construction business over forty years. After a full review throughout the complex, inside, outside and including a look at the attic, Matt recommended some urgent repairs to the roof.

In order to expedite the process, and in anticipation of other required repairs, we procured three estimates to remove/replace the old shingles and perform additional related work to ensure longevity.

Please find attached three estimates:

- Quality Construction Bristol, RI $133,342.00
- Marshall Roofing Riverside, RI $88,399.39
- Hetzler Contracting Fall River, MA $76,500.00

Peter Medeiros, Chief Petrin and I have reviewed the proposals and checked references for the low bidder.

We recommend that Hetzler be awarded the contract.

The funding will come from the Capital budget.

Thank you!
May 26, 2021

PROPOSAL FOR:

Richard Petrin  
Little Compton Public Safety Complex  
60 Simmons Rd  
Little Compton, RI  
401-418-0889  
401-635-2325  
Email: Rpetrin@plcri.com

- Obtain building permit
- Remove existing single layer of roofing material* from police and fire complex
- Install ice and water shield 6’ on starter course
- Install ice and water shield in valleys
- Install ice and water shield along gable ends
- Install synthetic roof underlayment
- Install Owens Corning TruDefinition Duration architectural roofing shingles**
- Install drip edge in gutters
- Remove all job-related debris

TOTAL $76,500.00

*If roof decking is rotted when exposed there will be additional charges of $120.00 per 32 square feet of rotted decking. If there is more than one existing layer of roofing material there will be an additional charge of $3,200.00 for each additional layer for removal and disposal.

**Contractor is not responsible for manufacturer’s defects. Workmanship is guaranteed for one year.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT PEBBLE-LIKE DEBRIS NORMALLY OCCURS WHEN ROOFING

DUE TO RAPIDLY CHANGING MATERIAL PRICES THIS QUOTE IS GOOD FOR 30 DAYS
**Quality Construction & Roofing Co.**
29 Buttonwood Street, Bristol RI 02809
Office: (401) 297-9292  Cell: (401) 297-9487

Kevin F. Sousa  RI License #23723

### Rubber Roof Estimate

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| Little Compton Fire Department | 60 Simmons Road  
Little Compton, RI 02837 |

**Description:** A list of the following will be done at the location listed above.

**Included:**

- ✓ Remove existing asphalt shingles
- ✓ Check for any rotted or cracked boards. Nails down any lose/visible nails
  
  *Note: If replacement of boards is necessary, the materials and labor cost would be an additional $125/sheet.*
- ✓ Install Ice & Water Shield up the first 6 feet of entire roof perimeter
- ✓ Install Felt Paper on entire roof perimeter
- ✓ Install Ridge Vent on all peaks and ridges for proper ventilation
- ✓ Replace and pipe flanges or fans on roof
- ✓ All clean-up of the entire property from all roofing materials and trash as well as removal and disposal of said materials
- ✓ 10-year Workmanship Warranty
- ✓ Owens Corning Preferred Protection Extended Warranty

**Total Price:**

- **Firehouse:** $88,652.00 (Materials & Labor Included)
- **4 Door Garage:** $44,690.00 (Materials & Labor Included)

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*Please feel free to email us with any questions or concerns.  
We can also visit our website to see some of our work.  
Email: ksousager@gmail.com  
www.qualityconstructionandroofing.com*
Customer Information

Town Of Little Compton C/O Richard Petrin
60 Simmons Rd
Little Compton RI 02837

(401) 418-0889 ()
rpetrin@tlcri.com

Date: 09/24/2018
Rep: Andrew Marshall
Mobile: 401-787-3753

Locations INCLUDED in scope of work to be performed
All Roofs

Locations EXCLUDED in scope of work to be performed
N/A

Job Specifications

Existing Shingle Type
1 Layer (per visual inspection) stripped to sheathing
GAF Timberline HD
Fox Hollow Gray

Install New Shingle Style

Shingle Color

Drip Edge
Install 8" drip edge to entire perimeter of roof
White

Drip Edge Color

Install Ice & Water Shield At Eaves and Valleys To Code
Yes - GAF Weather Watch

Install Ice & Water Shield Around All Penetrations & Along All Flashings
Yes - GAF Weather Watch

Install Underlayment to Remainder of Roof Deck
Yes - GAF Shingle Mate Fiberglass Reinforced

Install Starter Shingles at all Eaves and Rakes
Yes - GAF Pro Starter

Install Ridge Vent attic ventilation system on all required areas (Length)
315
Cobra roll vent

Ridge Vent Style
GAF Seal-A-Ridge

Hip and Ridge Shingles to be Installed

Limited Lifetime Warranty
GAF Silver Pledge Warranty

Additional Details

This is for all roofs.

Unforeseen costs that could occur.

Additional cost could arise due to damaged wood not recognized at time of estimate. Any wood replacement beyond the included 100 sq./ft. will be charged upon the homeowners approval an additional cost of $56 per 4'x8' sheet of 3/8" OSB and $66 per 4'x8' sheet of 1/2" FRT plywood. If planking is required to be changed it will add an additional $3.25/linear foot.

Homeowner understands that damaged decking/plywood can only be evaluated completely after the existing layer(s) of shingle(s) have been removed.

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Marshall Building & Remodeling Inc. will warranty the workmanship of the installed roof for a period of 15 years (may be as long as 25 yrs. on specified manufacturer's upgraded warranties).

Job site will be left clean and water-tight on a daily basis. The work location will have the proper protection to minimize any possible damage from falling debris. Buyer(s) should secure any items on walls or surfaces that may fall due to vibration from the work being performed. When installing roofing, it is common for dust and debris to fall from the attic ceiling. Covering items stored in the attic is also recommended. Marshall Building & Remodeling Inc. will not be responsible for any items that fall due to vibration. We will cart away all debris and obtain any necessary permits. All job-related permitting will be charged as an additional fee at the project completion.
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| Estimated Starting Date | 6-8 weeks weather permitting |

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*Email: ksousaqr@gmail.com*
*www.qualityconstructionandroofing.com*
August 11, 2021

Town Council Members
c/o Carol Wordell, Town Clerk
Town Hall
Little Compton, RI 02837

Dear Council Members,

The Community Center requests the transfer of one, one-day Class F liquor license. The previously approved license for our August 4th concert was not used due to the concert being cancelled due to rain. We have rescheduled the concert for Wednesday, August 25, 2021. Please approve the transfer of the previous license to this new date.

We hope to sell beer or wine to attendees. Our TIPS certified staff will bartend at this event, as usual, and food will be served. Our insurance policy requires that one of our TIPS-certified staff members serve all alcohol on site to protect the Community Center from liability, as well as to protect the town of Little Compton as a named insured on our policy.

In addition, the Community Center requests that the street in front of the Community Center be blocked to traffic during this concert, which will be free to the public. We will follow any COVID-19 restrictions in force at that time. I will be happy to work with both the Police Department and the Fire Department regarding the details if this request is approved.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Douglas D. Orville
Executive Director

The Little Compton Community Center is a 501 (c) (3) Organization
License Number: 3 F

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Town of Little Compton

License To Sell Alcoholic Beverages

Beverage Class F

This is to Certify that by authority of the Town Council of Little Compton, pursuant to Title 3, of the General Laws of Rhode Island of 1956, as amended, the Little Compton Code of Ordinances and upon payment of fee and all taxes owed,

Retailers                                Beverage Class F is hereby granted to LC Community Center

authorizing the holder hereof to keep for sale and to sell at 34 Commons Little Compton, RI 02837

This license expires on August 05, 2021 or unless sooner revoked for cause.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF said Town Council of the Town of Little Compton has caused this license to be issued by the Town Clerk by affixing his/her signature.

Date Granted: July 08, 2021

Date Issued: July 13, 2021

POST THIS LICENSE IN CONSPICUOUS PLACE

[Signature]

Town Clerk
On Wednesday, August 11, the Little Compton Historical Society asked five people to speak at their annual meeting about farming in Little Compton from their perspectives as farmers or part-time farmers. As the newest of the bunch, I focused my five-minute talk on whether farming has a future in Little Compton.

I’ve been surprised by how many people have approached me in the days after the event to say how much this struck a chord with them. All of them grew up in Little Compton and have a long term perspective. The Trustees of the Little Compton Agricultural Conservancy Trust have a unique opportunity to take the lead on much of this – before it’s too late. Here is what I shared:

Will today’s generation of farmers in Little Compton go into the history books as our last? Consider the implications of that and let that sink in for a moment.

Travel New England’s coastline — all 556 miles of it — and you will see many coastal communities. Some even rival Little Compton for unspoiled beauty. But what makes Little Compton unique among them is the fact that we are one of the last coastal farming communities left in Southern New England. One of the last places in New England outside of the state of Maine where farming and sailing can be seen in the same view.

Farming is core to this town’s identity. Little Compton would not be Little Compton without farming in Little Compton. Last year, during the election for Town Council, just about every candidate from every political persuasion pledged allegiance to the importance of preserving Little Compton’s rural character. In our polarized political era, it was one thing that everyone here could agree on.

Over the last 35 years, the Little Compton Agricultural Conservancy Trust has spent $26 million of taxpayers’ money (most of it paid by people who were new to town) to protect more than 2,000 acres of farmland. That’s a remarkable, unique achievement for which we should all be thankful. But by itself, it doesn’t guarantee a future of farming in Little Compton.

In the 1970s and 80s, I went to school in one of the most beautiful rural locales in the East: the rolling hills of the Brandywine Valley at the northern tip of Delaware. Over the past 50 years, a lot of land in that part of the country has been protected by conservationists and land trusts, but nobody thought to preserve the farming. Now it’s gone. And the region’s rural character is gone with it.

When the number of farms in a location falls below a minimum threshold, the ecosystem of mutual support for farming dies. Soon, there aren’t enough farms to keep the feed store in operation. Then next to go is the one the guy in town who can repair any type of farm machinery. Eventually, there is no one left around with the equipment or the skills to cut and bale hay for the last remaining holdouts who still raise horses as lawn ornaments.

The Little Compton Historical Society’s new exhibit, “Everyone Was a Farmer” reminds everyone who is not a farmer just how critical farmers and farming are to the rural character of this coastal community. You can’t preserve rural character without rural characters.

Take the farmer off the land and farmland ceases to be farmland. If neglected, it quickly gets obscured by a tangle of invasive vines as fields revert to woodland. Then watch as Little Compton slowly loses its traditional landscape pattern of open farm fields bounded by stone walls.
Do we have a critical mass of farming for Little Compton’s identity as a coastal farming community to survive well into the 21st century? I’d say we are at a tipping point that can go in either direction. From my perspective, farming in Little Compton today is like a slowly burning fire that looks quaint and generates a little comfort but is at risk of burning itself out – unless we find a way to throw some new logs on the fire.

What will it take to do that here? I’d like to suggest four things:

First, there needs to be a shared vision of the role of farming in Little Compton’s future and agreement in the town’s next comprehensive plan on what it will take to preserve farming in this community.

We can learn from the Aquidneck Land Trust, which has surveyed their entire island for where clusters of farming should be concentrated in the years ahead, to make sure farming maintains critical mass and density to survive. Their plan prioritizes which privately owned farm parcels deserve funding for preservation, according to explicit criteria agreed upon in advance and published for all to see. Another benefit of putting a plan in writing is how it can minimize future land use disputes between abutters when everyone knows what to expect.

Second, we need to recruit some of the next generation of farmers. Across Rhode Island, nearly half of new farmers entering farming today did not inherit farmland from their family. Like my youngest daughter who is about to enter college to major in sustainable agriculture, they are eager young people searching for good land to farm, in a good climate with a long growing season, near dense urban markets like Providence and Boston. Little Compton has all that in abundance. There is no shortage of budding farmers who would jump at the chance to farm here, following in the tradition of first-generation Portuguese farmers who arrived in the 19th century to start a new life and put down roots and contribute to the life of this community.

Over the last eight years, the Westport Land Conservancy Trust has worked with the Town of Westport to establish four new farm enterprises on conserved farmland. One of them produces farmstead cheese from a herd of dairy goats. Another plans to grow blueberries in the South Coast’s highly acidic soil. All four of these farm properties will be back on the tax rolls, cared for by private owners and no longer maintained at town expense. Because each of these land conservation deals were funded with public tax dollars, the farmers were selected through an open and transparent Request for Proposals process that anyone could enter. Pre-announced selection criteria allowed WLCT to choose the best proposal and who would be the best steward of the land with the best farming model that would be welcomed by the town. If Little Compton did that at the same rate of one new farm enterprise every two years, we could see five new farms here by the end of the decade.

Third, this town has to address where a young farm couple is going to live in a community with few starter homes. To preserve farmland as farmland, we need to make an allowance for where a farmer can live on it in the future.

In the Hudson Valley of New York – another beautiful locale much desired by summer people, where real estate is every bit as expensive as here – towns will allow a farm family to build a live/work space that looks like a traditional, two-story barn, with work space on the first floor (for farm equipment, or produce washing stations, or meat lockers) and living space upstairs. A mixed-use structure isn’t permitted under Little Compton’s zoning code, even though one could design it to look like a barn that has always been here. At the same time, ironically, Little Compton’s zoning code will permit someone to build a one-story suburban style ranch house out of brick on a two-acre suburban lot. Maybe it’s time to reexamine Little Compton’s zoning to see how friendly it really is to “rural character.”

Fourth, we can encourage greater consumer demand for locally produced farm products. Where you spend your household’s food budget shapes what the landscape around you is going to look like. The more produce, eggs, honey, jam, cheese, meat, flowers and landscape plants and trees that you can buy from your neighbors influences how many nearby farms can remain farms.

With the onset of climate change and the increased frequency of catastrophic weather events (droughts, wildfires, etc.) we may have to start asking ourselves how long can we rely on California’s Central Valley to grow all our food? To survive in a time when extreme weather events become routine, New Englanders may one day require farming skills on a scale that we can’t even imagine today. No farms, no food.
I don’t know what the future holds, but I do know this: the future of farming in Little Compton will be different from what we all grew up with. As this history exhibit shows, that’s been true here for generations, with farming always adapting to changing market conditions from one generation to the next. With the size of land holdings small in Rhode Island, that suggests a future of fewer commodities produced in monocultures and sold through middlemen who take the bulk of profits. It means more profitable farm sales direct to consumers. And more farm to table, championed by chefs in Providence and Boston who want to educate their customers about the merits of locally produced food.

Will today’s generation of farmers in Little Compton be our last? Communities have choices. They can accept the future they get handed to them by somebody else. Or they can work together to create the future they want. What story this exhibit on farming tells to future generations is really up to you and what you decide to do today.
July 8, 2021

Town of Little Compton
Town Clerk
40 Commons
Little Compton, RI 02837

To Whom It May Concern:
Enclosed please find a Joint Pole Petition, covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC. pole locations.

If this petition meets with your approval, please sign and forward to:
Wendy Paluch at 280 Melrose Street – 3rd Floor, Providence, RI 02907

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact Ms. Paluch:
wendy.paluch@nationalgrid.com / 401-784-4267

Respectfully yours,

Christopher Montalto
Supervisor, Distribution Design

Enclosures
PETITION OF THE NATIONAL GRID FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATION
TO THE HONORABLE TOWN COUNCIL OF LITTLE COMPTON, RHODE ISLAND

Town of Little Compton
Town Clerk
40 Commons
Little Compton, RI 02837

NATIONAL GRID & Verizon New England Inc.,
Respectfully asks permission to locate and maintain poles, wires and fixtures, including the necessary
sustain and protecting fixtures to be owned and used in common by you petitioner along and across the
following public ways:

Long Hwy
Proposed Poles 143 and 143-84 Long Hwy, Poles are required for the use
of a new electrical service to 526 Long Hwy

Therefore, your petitioners pray that they be granted joint of identical location for existing poles and
permission to erect and maintain poles and wires together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as
the may find necessary, said poles erected or to erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed
herewith marked:

WR# 30340132 Dated 4/4/2021

Your petitioner agrees to reserve or provide space for one cross arm at a suitable point on each of said poles
for the fire, police, telephone signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for
municipal purposes.

NATIONAL GRID
BY: Christopher Montalto
VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.
BY ORDER

The foregoing petition been read, it was voted that the consent at the

For the use of public ways named for the purposes stated in said petition be and it hereby is granted-----
work to be done subject to the supervision of

A true copy of the vote at the

Adopted_________________________ and recorded in Records Book#_________ Page#
**LEGEND**

- Pole Location to be abandoned ✗
- Existing Pole
- Proposed Pole
- Proposed anchor & guy wire
- Overhead Electric wire

**TOWN PETITION**

**Designer:** Russ Nelson  401.255.7894

**Date:** 4/4/2021

**Plan Number:** 30340132

**To Accompany Petition Dated:** 4/4/2021

**To The: State Of: R.I.**

**For Proposed:** pole 143  **Location:** Long Hwy-Little Compton

**Date of Original Grant:**

**Description:** Proposed poles 143 and 143-84 Long Hwy. Poles are required for the use of a new electric service to 526 Long Hwy-Little Compton
August 16, 2021

To the Honorable Town Council

Dear Council Members:

The Assessor of the Town of Little Compton submits herewith the names of taxpayers whose debts come within the provisions of Section 44-7-14 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, with the recommendation that the taxes as herein set forth, together with any interest due on proposed taxes, be canceled by the Honorable Body.

ABATEMENTS: See attached list totaling one hundred and eighteen dollars and ninety-nine cents (118.99).

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Denise M. Cosgrove, RICA
Tax Assessor
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