Date posted: NOVEMBER 16, 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 Hall – Council Chambers
40 Commons
Little Compton, RI

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 18, 2021

Executive Sessions
6:00 PM

42-46-5(a)(1) – Discussion pertaining to job retirement of employee
42-46-5(a)(2) – Discussion pertaining to potential litigation

Live streaming at
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNoKeQBPql33aEtqzOXHO9g

AGENDA
7:00 P.M.

Pledge to the Flag

Approval of Minutes – November 4, 2021

* 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be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be withdrawn from the General Order of business and considered in the normal sequence on the agenda.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:

Department Head Report:

1. Police Department – October Activity Report
2. Finance Director – October Activity Report

Old Business:

1. Little Compton School Department – Necessity of School Construction, STAGE II Presentation
2. Proposal for extension of Special Directive 5
3. Report from Town Administrator regarding use of the Community Center for the Senior meals
4. Recommendation from Chief Raynes to hire a part-time dispatcher Ms. Rachel Rapoza
5. Update and discussion of Tennis Court repairs/reconstruction consideration, RI DEM Recreational Grant opportunity, and consider hiring Marjory O'Toole as grant writer for an amount not to exceed $1,200

New Business:
1. Consider revising dates for Council meetings in November 2022 to the 3rd and 17th due to the Thanksgiving Holiday
2. Request from the Planning Board for the town to consider creating a database for private wells and septic systems.
3. Verbal report from Councilor Moore on the status of the LC Housing Trust
4. Letter from Chief Raynes advising the Council of upcoming safety improvements around West Main Road and Town Way proposed by the RI Dept. of Transportation
5. Memorandum from Town Administrator regarding acquisition of Public Safety Boat

Board of License Commissioners:
1. Continuation of renewal application for Meetinghouse Spirits, LLC d/b/a Meetinghouse Spirits for premises located at 39 Meeting House Lane, said renewal was contingent upon the successful transfer of the Class A Retail Beverage License from Coastal Interests LLC d/b/a Gleeson’s Wine & Spirits previously granted by the Board of License Commissioners. The Board may consider extending the transfer authorization or renewal as circumstances may allow.

Communications:
1. Request from Walker’s Roadside Stand to renew its Holiday Sales License for premises located at 261 West Main Road.
2. Email from Wil Kinnane writing on behalf of Kinnane Brothers Motion Picture and Television Studio, confirming their intention to film in Little Compton in 2022.
3. Email from Megan Gonzalez and Jenna Magnuski, Co- Presidents, and Raul Iriarte de Moore, Vice President of Love Wins seeking permission to hold an event on June 4, 2022 from 1 pm – 4 pm using the north side of the Commons, with food trucks, Veterans’ Field for backup parking and additionally permission to have the Pride flag be flown for the day
4. Request from Warren’s Point Beach Club to renew its Holiday Sales and Victualling Licenses for premises located at 9 Atlantic Drive.
5. Email from Megan Gonzalez seeking permission for Love Wins LC to use 32 Commons for youth programming for after school periods of time. The Town Clerk did inform Mrs. Gonzalez that a few groups do have the hall reserved at this time leaving limited window of opportunity during those hours.
6. Abatement List from the Tax Assessor

Consent:
1. Copy of an email sent to the council by Mimi Karlsson, Sakonnet Shore Watch Coalition documenting their opposition to the Sakonnet Point Clubs renewal permit for RIPDES by DEM
2. Comments on draft flag policy – submitted by residents and filed in the draft policy file (received from Isabel Mattia and Maureen Rego)

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 on November 4th, A.D. 2021 at 7:00 o’clock PM in the Town Hall, Town Council Chambers, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI. Members present: Paul J. Golembeske, Gary S. Mataronas, Patrick McHugh, Andrew W. Moore, and Robert L. Mushen. Also in attendance: Antonio Teixeira, Town Administrator and Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor.

At 7:00 PM the Council President called the meeting to order with a Pledge to the Flag. The Council President gave a brief explanation of the anticipated order of this evenings set of Public Hearings.

Sitting as the Board of License Commissioners the Council President opened the Remonstrant’s Hearing advertised for 7:00 o’clock PM to consider the renewal of Retail Beverage Licenses for the Town of Little Compton.

It was noted that there are two (2) applications to renew a Class A Retail Beverage License received, the second of the two (2) will need to be delayed until the next Council meeting due to a delay in the closing actions for the property and license transfer previously granted to this establishment.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To continue until the November 18, 2021 Council meeting an application to renew the Class A Retail Beverage License for Meetinghouse Spirits, LLC d/b/a Meetinghouse Spirits for premises located at 39 Meeting House Lane.

Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor recused himself from any license renewal actions for the Sakonnet Point Club, Dionysus Acquisitions d/b/a Carolyn’s Sakonnet Vineyard, StoneHouse Resort, Inc. d/b/a Stone House, Sakonnet Events d/b/a Wilhelmina’s Catering and d/b/a Wilma’s at Walker’s; and for Young Family Farm.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To grant the renewal of the following Retail Beverage Licenses, contingent upon meeting state and local requirements:

Class A License
- Adamsville Wine & Spirits LLC d/b/a Adamsville Wine & Spirits for premises located at 81 Stone Church Road

Class BV-L Licenses
- Common’s Lunch, Inc. d/b/a Common’s Lunch for premises located at 48 Commons
- Simmons Café & Marketplace LLC d/b/a Simmons Café & Market for premises located at 78 Crandall Road in the village of Adamsville

Class BV Licenses
- M & K LLC d/b/a the Barn Restaurant for premises located at 15 Main Street in the village of Adamsville
- RL Flounders, Inc. d/b/a RL Flounders, 90 Pottersville Rd.
- StoneHouse Resort, Inc. d/b/a Stone House for premises located at 122 Sakonnet Point Road

Class D Licenses
- Sakonnet Golf Club for premises located at 79 Sakonnet Point Road
- Sakonnet Point Club for premises located at 11 Bluff Head Avenue

The Remonstrant’s Hearing was declared closed by the Council President.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To grant an Indoor Entertainment License to RL
Flounders, Inc. d/b/a RL Flounders for premises located at 90 Pottersville Road, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To grant a Victualing License to each of the following establishments, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements:

- Delvin Corp d/b/a A-1 Pizza
- The Art Café
- M & K, LLC d/b/a the Barn Restaurant
- Dionysus Acquisition LLC d/b/a Carolyn’s Sakonnet Vineyard
- Commons Lunch, Inc d/b/a Common’s Lunch
- RL Flounders
- Sakonnet Golf Club
- Sakonnet Point Club
- Simmons Café & Marketplace LLC d/b/a Simmons Café & Market
- StoneHouse Resort, Inc. d/b/a Stone House
- Wilbur’s General Store
- Sakonnet Events, Inc. d/b/a Wilma’s at Walkers
- Sakonnet Events, Inc. d/b/a Wilhelminas Catering
- Young Family Farm LLC d/b/a Young Family Farm

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To grant a Holiday Sales License to each of the following establishments, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements:

- Delvin Corp d/b/a A-1 Pizza
- The Art Café
- M & K, LLC d/b/a the Barn Restaurant
- Dionysus Acquisition LLC s/b/a Carolyn’s Sakonnet Vineyard
- Commons Lunch, Inc. d/b/a Common’s Lunch
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- Young Family Farm LLC d/b/a Young Family Farm

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To grant a Mobile Food Establishment License to each of the following establishments, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements:

- Anita Couto d/b/a Anita’s Ice Cream
- Anita Couto d/b/a Seashore Hotdogs
- Hawaiian Jim’s Shaved Ice & Co II

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor by roll call (Golembeske, Mataronas, McHugh, Moore and Mushen): To grant the following miscellaneous licenses, contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements:
Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To approve, as written the October 21, 2021 Town Council meeting minutes.

Announcements:

1. The Maple Avenue paving project is delayed due to the difficulties securing materials for the project.
2. Another vaccination clinic will be held at the school for boosters on Nov. 27th, further information or registration is located on the town website.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To place on file the following Department Head Reports for activity during October 2021:

1. Tax Assessor
2. Fire Department
3. Building Department
4. Town Administrator
5. Town Clerk

The Council President noted the increase of building revenue over the past three (3) months.

Councilor McHugh asked that the Town Administrator report on the status of securing an RFP for the engineering of lighting on the Town Tennis Courts. Mr. Teixeira noted he sought an estimate, but did not advertise an RFP as of yet. Additionally Councilor McHugh provided an estimate for repair work to both the basketball and tennis courts surfaces.

Motion made by Councilor McHugh, receiving a second by Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To approve repairs to cracks on the surface of the town basketball and tennis courts in an amount of $3,550 based on an estimate supplied by JG Coffey Co.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To authorize the Town Administrator to post an upcoming vacancy in the Town Finance Department due the pending retirement of Joan Shippee, Fiscal Clerk within the LC Municipal Employees Union as per contract, to take necessary actions for any internal employee interests, to advertise externally should no qualified applicants apply internally and to establish a hiring process for applicants received through this external process with a recommendation of hire to return to a future Council meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To accept the recommendation of the Town Administrator and hire Michael Rodrigues to fill a vacancy of laborer within the Department of Public Works with salary and benefits as set forth in the agreement between the LC Municipal Employees Union and the Town of Little Compton.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To place on file a Public Notice No. PN 21-08 of...
proposed permit action under the RI pollutant discharge elimination systems (RIPDES) program for the Sakonnet Point Club notifying the public comment period and scheduled public hearing.

Being 7:15 PM the Council will set aside Communication #2 to take up the Public Hearing scheduled for 7:15 PM to receive comments on a proposal to adopt a Flag Policy. The public hearing was opened by the Council President with following statements:

- The hearing is intended to seek comments from the public
- It is his hope and intent that the Council will not vote to adopt this evening, but would accept comments and allow time for the School Committee to meet and discuss/comment on the draft Flag Policy
- To take all input and incorporation into a revision of the policy for a future meetings consideration

Comments received:

- Caroline Wilkie Wordell – agrees to flying the US, State, Town flags on all municipal buildings, which she includes the LC Community Center due to the town ownership of the building. She is not in favor of flying any other private flags as there is a presumption that the town residents are in agreement with the beliefs or actions of that private entity.
- Paul Clifford – strongly opposes this policy. Feels this is unnecessary and pernicious. Requirement of qualified electors to petition, inclusion of school pole and discretion over appropriateness of a flag are all inappropriate in his opinion.
- Megan Gonzalez – Questions why now? Noted that the Armenian Flag has been flown for over 10 years without issue, why take this action now. Concerned the Council should not be taking control of the school flagpole. She believes we should be more inclusive.
- Jenna Magnuski – thinks displaying other flags on the town hall pole displaces the US Flag and suggests new poles be placed in the court yard for a nominal fee to allow for multiple flags to be flown. Barrington discovered using another location caused opposition from Veterans and fears the use of Pike’s Peak will have the same result. She would like to see the town allow flying flags based on Governor or State declarations, such as for the month of October for Breast Cancer Awareness. The RIGL grants policy authority to the School for school flagpoles.
- Carolyn Montgomery – Flag represents all residents, thousand’s died in the war to defend our country and the flag represents all not just a few.
- Sal Marinosci – he and his family have served the country in the armed services and would like to see the US Flag flown on the Town Hall. No problem with a directive for another by the state, but with proper US Flag protocol.
- Larry Anderson – Armenian Flag has actually been flown for 22 years. If policy proposed is adopted the Armenian National Committee will need to find someone local to submit a request on its behalf (25 qualified electors on the petition). Believes the TC already has authority to decide on a case-by-case basis. Legal confusion with school inclusion due to state laws. Fells petition requirement is unnecessary, and restrictive.
- John Anderson, Esq. legal counsel for the School Dept. and in attendance at the request of the School Committee Chair. School meeting will meet to discuss this proposal during its Nov. 10th meeting. He noted that the State Constitution gives education responsibility to the General Assembly, who vests in School Committees, subject to state laws over building and poles. Asks that the school pole be deleted from this proposal.
- James McLaughlin – looked up flag definitions in various dictionaries. Hopes this proposal is not hate based and asks to reject prejudice if that is the source.
• Tony Lawrence – longtime resident of town, noted our first action this evening was to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. He respects everyone’s wishes, but his wish is that the US Flag be the Flag flown at the Town Hall. He also supplied the town with a copy of a flyer on Flag etiquette.
• Barbara Passmore – Everyone has a say and everyone has a heart, wants to teach respect for the USA and its Flag. Men and women fought and died for our freedom and wants to show the Flag in the proper place and given proper respect for those freedoms. She respects all.
• Megan Gonzalez – wants to teach to be respectful and inclusive. She feels representation matters. Members of the LBGTQ community don’t feel welcome in LC, it’s time to come together and be inclusive feels this policy is discriminating.
• Jenna Magnuski – pushing back that some youth are taught to respect the Country and the Flag.
• Bob Mushen – comments will be taken and subjected to another revision of the policy for future consideration

Motion made by Councilor Moore, receiving a second by Councilor McHugh, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To take the comments received during this evenings public hearing on a draft flag policy and direct a working group consisting of Councilors Moore and Mushen, the Town Administrator and the Town Solicitor with direction to return in a months’ time with a revised draft incorporating those comments received.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To close the public hearing receiving comments on a proposal to adopt a draft flag policy.

Margaret Gallagher spoke on her letter of concern submitted to the Council regarding the proposal being drafted by the School committee on access to the School for those not vaccinated. She noted that a good portion of her concerns have been addressed during a sub-committee meeting. She wanted to ensure the Council was advised of the policy drafting. The School Committee Chair, Polly Allen stated that the policy is not ready for a second reading as it is a working document at this time. Councilor McHugh assures Mrs. Gallagher that the recreation committee activities will still take place and that they will work with the school to comply with added precautions. He feels any activity that is not a school activity is not under the schools control. Sheila Mackintosh asked what happens when the kids leave the school. The School Committee will need to decide.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To approve a request received from Caroline Willkie Wordell and Amanda Nickerson to hold the Little Compton Tree Lighting and a Commons Stroll on Saturday, December 4, 2021 from 2 pm to 5 pm on the Commons.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To place on file a communication received from the National School Choice Week President suggesting the Council proclaim a school choice week as Little Compton does not have multiple options for school choice.

A letter has been received from Angela Denham where concerns are raised regarding the senior meal location at the Community Center with indoor restriction. The Town Administrator has arranged for a discussion with a Board member and will return with further information. Councilor Mushen will also attend the meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): To ask that the Town Administrator return to the Nov. 18, 2021 meeting with a report on the status of senior citizen usage of the LC Community Center.
Councilor Golembeske announced that he and his wife are sponsoring a meal for the seniors at RL Flounders in support of the need for socialization among the seniors.

A copy of a letter sent to the Chief of Police from the RI State Traffic Commission informing the Town of the approval of a speed limit request for Meeting House Lane where the posted speed limit will be 25 MPH.

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second by Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor**

(Golembeske, Mataronas, Moore, McHugh, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: $57,009.66

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Petro - Diesel $1,036.02  
Petro - Gasoline $937.14  
WBMason - Town Hall - Assessor - Clerk $47.04  
BETA Group Inc. - Highway $5,050.00  
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Verizon - Wastewater Treatment Facility $55.84  
Interstate Refrigerant Recovery Inc. - Transfer Station $630.00  
The Eagle Leasing Co. - Transfer Station $228.24  
Atlantic Elevator South Co Inc - Town Hall - 32 Commons $352.00  
Sakonnet Tree, Inc. - Storm debris clearing $713.00  
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Regal Interiors, Inc. - Capital funds PSC $3,347.50  
Santa Buckley Energy - Town Hall $1,454.64  
Emergency Access System Inc. - Town Landing $269.00

Being no further business before the Council, the meeting was declared adjourned by the Council President at 8:02 PM.

Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk
Date: November 1, 2021
To: The Honorable Town Council
From: Chief Scott N. Raynes
Subject: Monthly Report for October 2021

October 2021 Patrol Activity

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Totals: 100

October 2021 Dispatch Overtime Hours

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Totals: 57
Little Compton Police Department  
60 Simmons Road  
Town of Little Compton, Rhode Island  
Office of the Police Chief  

MEMORANDUM

October 2021 Part-time Dispatch Hours

Weekend replacement  
Vacation replacement  
Sick leave replacement  
Personal day  
Holiday replacement  
Training replacement  
Comp-time replacement

Totals: 32

October 2021 Town fuel log

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Total Diesel: 363.5

Respectfully,

John Faria
Lieutenant
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT
P.O. BOX 226
LITTLE COMPTON, R.I. 02837

JOSEPH DESANTIS
FINANCE DIRECTOR

PHONE 401-635-4219
FAX 401-635-2470

Finance Director Monthly Report
October 2021

Initiatives & Financial Highlights:

- Premium Audits completed audit for Payroll, Worker’s Comp, and 1099’s
- Hague, Sahady and Co. completed Fiscal Year 2021 material audit
- Updated 457b Employee contributions from manual check to wire payment
- Investigating options for municipal borrowing
- Investigating re-bonding opportunities for Little Compton’s bond issued through the Rhode Island Health & Educational Building Corporation

Tax Highlights:

- Total tax revenue collected for Current Year, Prior Years and Interest in the month of September was $2,954,229.52
- Total tax revenue collected for Current Year, Prior Years and Interest in the month of October are $238,294.98
- Total Tax Delinquency Balances collected in October are $35,222.47
Little Compton School Department
Necessity of School Construction
RIDE Stage II

Town Council Update

November 18, 2021
Agenda

RIDE Stage II Update
Community Engagement Activities
Proposed Scope of Work
RIDE Necessity of School Construction Process

- Required for Housing Aid Reimbursement
- LCSD Housing Aid 35% (Incentives available)
- Stage I “the Need”
- Stage II “the Solutions”
- Stage II Submission is February 15, 2022
Tasks Completed to Date

- Facility Condition Assessment
- Administration Interviews
- Educator Workshop
- Data Gathering
- Community Engagement Activities
RIDE Submissions

• Stage I has been approved by RIDE
• Stage II submission is ongoing
• Proposed projects for consideration have been developed
Little Compton School Department

Deferred Maintenance 10 Year Needs

- Building Envelope: $225,000
- Interior Finishes: $75,000
- Plumbing: $75,000
- HVAC: $675,000
- Fire Protection: $450,000
- Electrical: $75,000
- Site: $50,000
- Total: $750,000
Little Compton School Department

Capital Improvement 10 Year Needs

- $325,000
- $75,000
- $4,300,000

- Acoustical Ceilings
- Air Conditioning
- Roadway & SWM
Responsible Innovation

Project Scope

Project Size

Programmatic Needs

Funding Limits & Debt Ceilings

Logistical Constraints

Other Needs
Community Engagement

• (4) Interactive Activities
  ✓ Critical Analysis LCSD (Strengths / Challenges)
  ✓ Facility Floor Plan & Aerial Site Commentary
  ✓ Guiding Principle Ranking
  ✓ Model Facility Image Gallery Review
Proposed Projects

1) Connector road in front of original building:
   • Appropriate surface that blends in with building context
   • Enhance tree line with landscaping and additional vegetation
   • Will allow for safer vehicle access and stacking

2) Provide outdoor learning area at enclosed courtyard:
   • Provide additional access point and ADA access
   • Current outdoor area is not ADA complaint, and does not provide sufficient egress in an emergency
Proposed Projects

3) Re-imagine the media center:
   • Completely update area and furniture to provide better access for multi-age/multi-grade functionality
   • Provide various types of seating, including classroom type, small group, and individual study/reading

4) Add equipment to kitchen:
   • Need to improve food services for children and also for use as an emergency shelter
   • Provide stove and dishwasher
Proposed Projects

5) Add some air conditioning:
   • Need to control temperature and especially high humidity in the old portion of the school

6) Add acoustical ceilings to some classrooms:
   • Acoustic control is essential for enhanced learning in the old portion of the school

7) Select paving and storm water work on the site:
   • Need to protect building from excessive water infiltration from heavy rainfall
Proposed Projects

8) New stage curtain, rigging and A/V:
   • Current curtain and rigging needs to be replaced
   • Audio/visual system in need of replacement

9) New gym floor:
   • Current gymnasium flooring needs to be replaced

10) Select new interior/exterior components & finishes:
    • Replacement/Updating of select finishes throughout, including floor, wall, and ceiling and exterior components such as select windows etc.
Proposed Projects

11) Reduce art room and create an additional classroom:
   • Art room is larger than needed and an additional classroom can be gained through reconfiguration of this area of the building

12) Replace select exterior doors:
   • Certain exterior doors are at the end of their useful life

13) Add outlets to classrooms:
   • Classrooms are underpowered to support technology for 21st Century learning

14) Select Deferred Maintenance

15) Other
## Order of Magnitude Budget Costs

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Next Steps

- Solicit feedback from
  - School Building Committee
  - School Committee
  - Town Council
  - RIDE School Building Authority
Town of Little Compton
Office of the Council President
Post Office Box 226
Little Compton, Rhode Island 02837

D R A F T

19 November 2021

Special Directive 5 (Revision 16)

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 19 November 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 18 November 2021 extended the state of emergency in the Town through 17 December 2021, unless renewed, modified or terminated by subsequent order.

__________________________________________
Robert L. Mushen
President, Little Compton Town Council
Town Council President Mushen and I met with Bill Theriault, member of the Community Center Board to discuss Senior Service.

The outcome of the meeting:

- The Community Center will continue to prepare meals for the Seniors
- The Community Center will continue to deliver meals as necessary
- The Community Center will continue to assess as to how they may be able to accommodate serving Seniors indoors
November 11, 2021

The Honorable Town Council
Little Compton Town Hall
40 Commons
Little Compton, RI
02837

Honorable Town Council Members,

Members of the Little Compton Public Safety Complex have completed the application and hiring process for the advertised Part-time Dispatcher position.

Currently, I am recommending placing Ms. Rachel Rapoza on our Part-time Dispatcher list. Ms. Rapoza has 28-years' experience as a Police/Fire/EMS dispatcher with the City of Fall River. Ms. Rapoza has advanced training in medical emergency telecommunications, de-escalation techniques, records management software use and possess excellent communication skills. Ms. Rapoza would be an excellent addition to our public safety crew.

Thank you in advanced.

Respectfully,

Scott N. Raynes
Chief of Police
Robert Mushen Town Council President

Dear Bob,

During the November 2nd Planning Board meeting, the Planning Board reviewed the presentation made to the Town by Jenny Paquet, a senior environmental planner at DEM regarding the Watson Reservoir Watershed Plan. We also discussed a draft watershed plan for all of Little Compton her office has prepared.

As you know Protection of Little Compton’s water supply is the Town’s number 1. Goal in our Comprehensive Plan.

Below is the entry from November’s meeting minutes.

The Board discussed possible next steps to protect the Little Compton watersheds and at the conclusion made the following motion.

**Planning Board Business:**

- Watson Watershed and Little Compton Watershed and steps to protect watersheds.

  Motion to write the Town Council and suggest the establishment of a tracking database for all new wells drilled and septic systems installed. Additionally to the extent possible gather the same information associated with recent building.

Motion By Bob Murphy, 2nd Robert Torchia, all in favor.

Would you please add the subject for consideration at the Council’s next meeting.

Thank you.

Mike
November 15, 2021

The Honorable Town Council
Little Compton Town Hall
40 Commons
Little Compton, RI
02837

Honorable Town Council Members,

I am writing to advise of upcoming safety improvements around West Main Road and Town Way proposed by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation.

After speaking with the RIDOT regarding safety concerns in the area, the following recommendations have been made by RIDOT for the area.

1. West Main Road, north of Town Way (south of Donovan Way)
   - Install advanced curve warnings signs with reflective signposts
   - Replace existing chevron signs
   - Install additional 40 MPH signs on approach to the area
   - Tree trimming to improve sign visibility and sight line

2. West Main Road at Town Way
   - Install advanced curve warnings signs with reflective signposts
   - Install additional 40 MPH signs on approach to the area
   - Tree trimming to improve sign visibility and sight line

There was no time frame given for the work, however, I expect the work to be completed within the next 30-60 days.
Respectfully,

[Signature]

Scott N. Raynes
Chief of Police
Town of Little Compton
Town Hall
P.O. Box 226
Little Compton, RI 02837

To: Honorable Town Council

From: Antonio A. Teixeira
       Town Administrator

Date: November 18, 2021

Subject: Public Safety Boat

This memorandum provides the current status of the efforts to acquire a public safety boat for the Town. The Harbor Master and the Fire Department have joined forces by working together, sharing resources and training together. I compliment both Departments for their efforts and savings they have created. We now have one boat vs. two boats to maintain and moor. Previously, the cost to moor the Fire Department boat was $3,000 annually.

Going forward, we need to upgrade the current Harbor Master’s boat to service our waters to a greater degree. The current boat does not readily accommodate the responders and “the victim”. It is very difficult to pull the victim into the boat and assist as may be necessary. The size of the boat we have now is too small to safely accommodate the rescue team and the rescue.

We have an opportunity to purchase a new boat that will service our harbor and surrounding waters and possibly reciprocate assistance to other surrounding communities.

How to accomplish that financially;

- The cost of a new boat with the required features will run approximately $125,000 with an approximate annual payment of $20,000.
- We can either trade-in the current boat or sell it, which would reduce the purchase price.
The purchase will be split between the Harbor Commission and the Fire Department using the Ambulance Reimbursement fund. The final tanker payment will be made in June 2022. The first boat payment would not be due until December 2022.

I ask that the Town Council support this much needed endeavor. We do not know who will be the next person that may need the assistance of the Harbor Master or the Fire Department.
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSE

Date: 8/18/2021

Name of Business: Walkers Roadside Stand
Address of Business: 261 West Main Road, Little Compton, RI 02837
Plat/Lot: 3/11-2
Telephone of Business: (401) 635-4719
Hours of Operation: 8:00am-6:00pm June to November

Name of Applicant: Coll M Walker
Applicant’s Signature: [Signature]

Address of Applicant: 261 West Main Road RI 02837
Telephone Number of Applicant: (401) 635-4722

Owner of Property: Coll Walker
Address of Owner: 261 West Main Road
Little Compton RI 02837
Telephone Number of Owner: (401) 635-4722

In Case of Emergency Contact:
Coll Walker, 261 West Main Road (401) 635-4722

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40 Commons, PO Box 226, Little Compton, Rhode Island 02837 * Telephone: (401) 635-4400
Dear Little Compton Town Council,

I'm sending this email on behalf of the Kinnane Brothers. As some of you probably already know, we're an independent Motion Picture and Television Studio here in town.

We're producing a low budget indie film, set in a small coastal town in New England. We would love to use certain locations in Little Compton. We're currently in the pre-production phase of this film, from location scouting, casting and scheduling. We hope to start filming as early as January 9th 2022.

I've been in constant communication with police Chief Scott Raynes regarding filming in town.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I'll be happy to provide more information if needed.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Wil Kinnane

--

William Kinnane
Producer | c: 401.835.8193
Kinnane Brothers Motion Picture and Television Studio
Dear Little Compton Town Council,

Love Wins Little Compton is excited to announce that we have begun the planning of our 2nd Annual Pride Celebration. Our first Pride was a huge success with over 200 attendees showing up in support of the event!

In anticipation of a larger crowd and more vendors this year, we would like to make the following requests for June 4, 2022 from 1-4 PM:

- Street on the north side of the Commons be closed to traffic.
- Food trucks are allowed to park and serve food
- The Pride flag be flown for the day
- Veterans' Field be used for backup parking

We would also like to request that the intersex-inclusive Progress Pride flag be flown for the day.

We respectfully request these items be added to the next town council agenda.

Thank you,
Megan Gonzalez & Jenna Magnuski, Co-Presidents
Raul Iriarte de Moore, Vice President
Love Wins Little Compton
401-829-5679
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSE

Date: 11/9/2021

Name of Business: Warren's Point Beach Club
Address of Business: 9 Atlantic Drive, Little Compton, RI 02837
Plat/Lot: 11/66-1
Telephone of Business: (401) 635-1644
Hours of Operation:

Name of Applicant: Warren's Point Beach Club, Inc
Applicant's Signature: [Signature]
Address of Applicant: P O Box 151 RI 02837
Telephone Number of Applicant: (401) 635-1644

Owner of Property: Warren's Beach Club Inc
Address of Owner: 9 Atlantic Drive
Little Compton RI 02837
Telephone Number of Owner: (401) 635-9501

In Case of Emergency Contact:
Matthew DeLeo, Manager, (401) 635-1644

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Total Due: $70.00

40 Commons, PO Box 226, Little Compton, Rhode Island 02837 * Telephone: (401) 635-4400
Dear Carol,

Love Wins LC would like to request permission to utilize the Grange Building for youth programming. The LC Community Center is unable to host outside programs while the after school club is in session. Love Wins LC would like the opportunity to offer program times directly after school. The Grange seems like an excellent alternate space.

We request this inquiry be added the agenda.

Thank you
Megan Gonzalez
November 18, 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 four thousand, three hundred eighty-eight dollars and sixty-six cents ($4,388.66).

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Denise M. Cosgrove, RICA
Tax Assessor
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From: Mimi Karlsson <mimi@oco.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:31 AM
To: Town Council; Tony Teixeira
Subject: New and improved pumpout facilities

In our opposition to SPC’s renewal permit for RIPDES, we will be demanding they install a pumpout station in Sakonnet Harbor, after testing proved a significant amount of sewage contamination in the vicinity of fishing boats at the Town dock and in the area of the SPC desal discharge and Sakonnet Marina.


Mimi Karlsson, Sakonnet Shore Watch Coalition
RI DEM Offering $75,000 Grant Awards to Maintain and Improve Boat Pump-Out Facilities

Thursday, October 28, 2021
GoLocalProv News Team

PHOTO: RI DEM

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) announced Thursday that $75,000 grants are available to communities and private businesses that own and/or operate boating facilities that are accessible to the public.
The grants, funded by the US Fish & Wildlife Service Clean Vessel Act (CVA), support construction and maintenance of marine and land-based pump-out facilities to assist boaters with properly disposing of sewage. Every year, DEM applies for federal funds to buy or replace CVA equipment for use by municipalities and private marinas to offer pump-outs. Since 1994, DEM has awarded over $2 million in CVA grants.

"Coastal Rhode Island waters are classified as a no-discharge zone, meaning it’s illegal to pump waste within three nautical miles of the Rhode Island coast," DEM Acting Director Terry Gray said. "CVA grants empower thousands of Rhode Island recreational boaters to do their part to keep our waterways clean by using subsidized pump-out service to properly dispose of their sewage."

About Program

DEM works with partners to reduce pollution into local waters. Boat sewage poses a potential threat to water quality by introducing bacteria and other pathogens and chemicals that are harmful to
humans and marine life. This pollution is also a major factor in harmful algae blooms. In 1998, Rhode Island became the first state in the nation to receive a statewide “no discharge” designation from the US Environmental Protection Agency that prohibits boaters from discharging sewage into local waterways.

There are currently 17 pump-out boats and 40 landside facilities located across Narragansett Bay and coastal waters. Many existing facilities require repair and upgrades as they have exceeded their useful life expectancy since initial construction. All pump-out facilities must be kept fully operational to adequately meet the demand. Some 40,000 boats are registered in Rhode Island, and the state welcomes many thousands more visiting boats each year. Last year, a total volume of over 600,000 gallons of sewage was pumped out at these locations and diverted from directly entering Rhode Island’s surface waters. Visit DEM’s website for a map of marine pump-out facilities in Rhode Island.

Marinas, yacht clubs, and municipalities are eligible to apply for funding. Projects to construct, replace, retrofit, or maintain pump-out facilities will be considered. Up to $18,750 is available for land-based projects, and up to $56,250 is available for pump-out boat facilities. Up to $4,875 is available for operations and maintenance expenses related to a pump-out boat, and up to $1,875 is available for operations and maintenance expenses related to a land based pump-out facility. A 25 percent funding match is required. All facilities that receive CVA grants must be open to the public and may not charge more than $5 per 25 gallons pumped. To receive grant funding for operations and maintenance of land based pump-out facilities, the operator of the facility agrees to not charge boaters any fees for pump-out services.

For more information or to download an application, click here.

Applications can be mailed to DEM Office of Water Resources, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908 or emailed to steven.engborg@dem.ri.gov. All applications are due by 4 PM, Friday, December 3, 2021.
Hello Town Council

I just am sending a quick note in response to reading the newspaper article about the flag policy. I see that you are seeking public comments on the issue. I would like to register my opposition to the flag proposal as written. I find it to be overly controlling and shortsighted. The one day a year policy would prevent our community from ever flying a flag for a month or a week for example, and that seems odd and unnecessary. I'm also sorry to see that after the pride flag was flown for the first time in this town, suddenly we need a controlling flag policy. I find that a bit insulting to be honest. Other flags have been flown on the town hall in the past and did not result in such a reaction.

thank you,
Isabel Mattia
Burchard Ave
Dear Mr. Mushen, Mr. Mataronas, Mr. Golembeske, Mr. Moore and Mr. McHugh,

(Request that this letter also be shared with your legal counsel.)

I came to last Thursday’s meeting and wanted to touch base with you concerning our town’s flag policy. I did not get up to speak but hope that you will consider this letter when you weigh the flag policy presently under consideration.

It is not easy to speak about a matter that is sensitive in nature. Often today those who don't agree with another, are being labeled as bigots, prejudiced and worst of all, hateful.

The American flag and its symbolism of unity and freedom has not changed since its inception. I strongly believe that our American flag is a symbol of all that is good, honorable and just in our country. I am extremely proud to live in this great country of ours, where others have made tremendous sacrifices so that we can be free. I pledge allegiance to the flag because it represents the freedoms and ideals of an entire people. Our flag continues to represent unity, the unity of all fifty states, one nation under God. The flag does not solely represent the President, or a political party or a political or social agenda. Our American flag waves proudly for all of its American citizens, young and old, rich and poor. The American flag waves for those who are marginalized and oppressed, it waves for those who feel burdened by life. Our American flag represents the homeless, the scorned, the addicted, the forsaken and the imprisoned. Together we all make One Nation.

I believe we are all children of God. Our dignity as children of God does not come from a flag, or an agenda or movement. Our inherent dignity is from God our Creator. My Christian faith teaches me that each and every one of us has been uniquely created by God in His image and in His likeness. I am asked to see "Christ" in my brothers and sisters and to recognize the inherent dignity in my brothers and sisters.

I heard some speak at the town council's meeting about feeling discriminated against or hated because of their sexual identity or preferences. In those times, we have failed to recognize the inherent dignity of the other, and that is truly sad.

This past weekend at Mass we sang the 1st and 3rd verses of America the Beautiful and the 3rd verse jumped off the page at me.

"Oh beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife. Who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life", is a tribute to those who have served and died to keep our country safe and free. The men and women who have made those sacrifices, put others and our country before themselves.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRUJr8EVgBg (Ray Charles’ rendition is beautiful).

We all should want to build a community that provides equality, freedom and dignity for every person but we can only build a just society on the foundation of the truth about God and the truth about human nature.

I strongly believe that the flagpole at the Wilbur and McMahon school should be recognized as one of our municipal flag poles and therefore should fall under the town’s flag policy. I would not like to see the flag policy changed to include the flying of flags that do not represent all.

The American flag represents all.

Thank you,

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