

**PORTSMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2026
AGENDA**

The Portsmouth Town Council meeting will also be live-streamed on the web and by phone dial-in using the Zoom remote meeting service. The Executive Session **will not** be streamed to the public. See below for directions.

6:00 PM – Town Council Chambers, Portsmouth Town Hall, 2200 East Main Road

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. RIGL 42-46-5(a) (2) – Sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation. – Status reports from Town Solicitors on pending and threatened litigation involving the Town of Portsmouth.

ADJOURN

7:00 PM – Town Council Chambers, Portsmouth Town Hall, 2200 East Main Road

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SITTING AS THE PORTSMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

1. Roll Call

PRESIDENT’S EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CONSENT AGENDA

Directions to view licensing applications: 1) Click [OpenGov](#), 2) Click Search, 3) Click Records, and then type in the record number listed on the agenda, 4) Click on the highlighted record to view the application.

1. Bills
 - Payment [Voucher #1301](#) on 1/22/26 in the amount of \$196,476.91 as approved by the Finance Director
 - Payment [Voucher #1308](#) on 1/29/26 in the amount of \$270,483.67 as approved by the Finance Director
2. Committee Minutes:
 - [Bike & Pedestrian Advisory Committee 1/22/26](#)
 - [Board of Canvassers 12/16/25](#)
 - [Harbor Commission 1/7/26](#)
 - [Pension Advisory Committee 10/27/25](#)
 - [Pension Advisory Committee 1/27/26](#)
3. Peddler License – Mobile Food Establishment (MFE), Renewal:
 - Yapa LLC d/b/a Tolia Food Truck, 39 Rhode Island Ave Unit 3, Newport (#9396)

MINUTES

[1/27/26](#)

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

1. Transfer station and curbside sales update
2. Citizens’ Police Academy
3. FY27 budget update
4. Town Hall closed February 16th

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1. Resignations:
Dog Park Committee – [D. Kurland, C. Mathers-Kurland](#)
2. Appointments:
Melville Park Committee (Unlimited membership) – [S. Luce](#)
Board of Canvassers (Re-Appt.) – [E. Vadney](#)
Dog Park Committee (Re-Appt) – [J. McGinley](#)

NEW BUSINESS (Discussion/Action)

1. [Presentation](#) of the FY25 Audited Financial Statements. / M. Sahady, Hague, Sahady & Co. (30)
2. Narragansett Electric and Verizon New England Inc. ask permission to [relocate P19-90](#) 42' W of existing location and installing 12' lead anchor at Fairview Ln. / P. Rodrigues (5)
3. Decision on a proposed plan for the [3S fields](#). / P. Rodrigues (10)
4. Adopt the recommended policy for Town Council appointments to [decision-making boards](#): Zoning Board of Review, Planning Board, Design Review Board. / L. Hitchen (10)

CORRESPONDENCE

1. EFSB Docket No. SB-2021-04 Notice of LNG facility at Old Mill Lane provided additional natural gas supply to Aquidneck Island's natural gas distribution system on [Jan. 25](#), [Jan. 28](#), [Jan. 30](#) and [Feb. 2](#), 2026. / The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy
2. Bristol Ferry Town Common Committee [update](#). / R. Sears, Chair
3. Notice of [Final Decision](#) and Order in EFSB Docket SB-2022-02 re: SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC's application to construct a major energy facility. / S. De La Rosa, Commission Clerk, Public Utilities Commission
4. The Portsmouth Economic Development Committee [summary](#) of findings and recommendations regarding the issue of natural gas availability in Portsmouth. / J. Forgione, Chair
5. [Resolution](#) in support of House Bill 2026 – H 7049 and Senate Bill 2026 – S 2147 moving the September primary election day to after Labor Day. / Burrillville Town Council

FUTURE MEETINGS

Feb 23 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting
Mar 9 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting
Mar 16 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting
Mar 23 7:00 PM – Town Council Meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION - (If needed)

ADJOURN

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

OPEN SESSION

ADJOURN

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