



# BRIDGEWATER TOWN COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To attend via video, click on the link below:

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To attend via phone, dial: 1(646) 876-9923

**Meeting ID:** 980 4655 8060

## MEETING AGENDA

**Disclosure:** Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020, Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020, Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Bridgewater Town Council will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. There will be no in person attendance permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Facebook Live.

### A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) Meeting Minutes from 5/25/2021

### B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

### C. PROCLAMATIONS

### D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

### E. APPOINTMENTS

### F. HEARINGS

- a) **7:05 PM:** Order O-FY21-045: Capital Transfer Order - General Fund

*At their meeting held 5/17/21, the Budget & Finance Committee voted 3-0 to recommend approval. The Finance Committee voted 5-0 to recommend approval at their meeting held 5/24/21.*

- b) **7:10 PM (continued from 5/25/21):** Petition P-2021-011: Cumberland Farms of Massachusetts, Inc. dba Cumberland Farms for a Change of Beneficial Interest and Change of Officer

- c) **7:15 PM (continued from 5/11/21):** Petition P-2021-004: New Lodging House License - 84 South Street, NormaJean Begley & William F. Saba dba, the South Street House (WITHDRAWN)

### G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - *None*

### H. PRESENTATIONS

- a) Bias and Discrimination Community Survey Analysis – *Dr. Jibril Solomon/Dr. Taylor Hall, Bridgewater State University (DICE & BCCR)*

- b) *Re-precinct Process (Town Clerk)*

### I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Mitchell School Update (*Standing Item*)
- b) COVID-19 Update
- c) Update on Facilities
- d) Old Town Hall
- e) Broad St Development
- f) Items for Next Meeting:

### J. DISCUSSIONS

### K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Council Clerk Selection Ad Hoc Committee Update

### L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) R-FY21-009: Future Retail Sale of Marijuana Guidelines Resolution

*This measure was not referred to a committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVIII of the Council Rules & Procedures; therefore, this measure may finally be considered this evening.*

- b) R-FY21-010: A Resolution Designating June 19<sup>th</sup> as a Town Holiday  
*This measure was not referred to a committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVIII of the Council Rules & Procedures; therefore, this measure may finally be considered this evening.*

M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Order O-FY21-050: End of Year Transfers (*Town Manager*)
- b) Order O-FY21-052: Transfer Order – Support of Diversity & Equity Inclusion Committee (*Town Manager*)
- c) Order O-FY21-053: Transfer Order – Water Curve St Project (*Town Manager*)

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

R. ADJOURNMENT



# Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Council Order: O-FY21-045

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Introduced By: Town Manager  
Date Introduced: May 11, 2021  
First Reading: May 11, 2021  
Second Reading/Public Hearing: June 8, 2021  
Amendments Adopted:  
Third Reading:  
Date Adopted:  
Date Effective:

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## Order O-FY21-045

### CAPITAL TRANSFER ORDER - GENERAL FUND

**ORDERED** that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to pursuant to Section 6-4 of the Town of Bridgewater Charter, that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to appropriate and transfer from below schedule Source of Funds to below schedule of Use of Funds:

*Explanation:*

*This transfer will fund the Capital Plan Projects as outlined for 2022 beginning May 2021.*

*Committee Referrals and Dispositions:*

<b>Referral(s)</b>	<b>Disposition(s)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Budget &amp; Finance Committee</li><li>• Finance Committee</li><li>• This measure has been duly advertised in the Enterprise and on the Town's website for a public hearing and may be finally considered at the conclusion of the hearing.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 5/17/21: Vote 3-0 recommend approval</li><li>• 5/24/21: Vote 5-0 recommend approval</li></ul>

FUND		SOURCES OF FUNDING	Amount
2501	AMBULANCE RECEIPT	Ambulance Receipts Reserve	\$ 67,818.00
2798	CLAREMONT PUBLIC SAFETY GIFT	Gift Fund for Public Safety - Claremont	\$ 100,000.00
4003	PRISON MITG GRANT FUND	Balance of Prison Grant Fund from PY	\$ 5,537.00
8012	SENIOR CENTER TRUST FUND	SCTF - Trust Fund	\$ 100,000.00
8010	CAPITAL STABILIZATION	Capital Stablization Trust Funds	\$ 1,167,610.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 1,440,965.00</b>

Project#	USES OF FUNDING		Amount
192-20	Bldgs & Property	Academy Building - Door Access	\$ 40,000.00
192.23	Bldgs & Property	Senior Center - Interior Improvements	\$ 100,000.00
192.27	Bldgs & Property	Library - Carpet Replacement	\$ 30,000.00
192.28	Bldgs & Property	Library - Interior Painting & Furniture	\$ 24,000.00
192.31	Bldgs & Property	Library - Door Access System	\$ 66,000.00
192.32	Bldgs & Property	Library - Camera System Upgrade	\$ 65,000.00
192.33	Bldgs & Property	Academy Building - Generator	\$ 10,000.00
192.44	Bldgs & Property	Fire Station - HVAC Upgrades - Station 2	\$ 35,000.00
192.54	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Electric Vehicles - Leased (1 of 3)	\$ 20,476.00
210.09	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Replace Fire Arms Simulator - 1 of 5	\$ 51,344.00
210.10	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Replace Two Police Vehicles (1 4WD)	\$ 150,000.00
220.10	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Ambulance (A5) Five Year Lease 4 of 5	\$ 67,818.00
220.15	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Radio Equipment Upgrades: Vehicle Mounted & Portable	\$ 105,537.00
300.00	Bldgs & Property	Old High School Purchase Year 1 of 12 (7 @70K and 5 @42k)	\$ 70,000.00
300.01	Bldgs & Property	BMS Replace 2 Air Handling Units - Fall 2022	\$ 45,000.00
300.43	Bldgs & Property	HS 59.97% Replace Turf Football Field	\$ 275,862.00
300.45	Bldgs & Property	WIS HVAC Trunk	\$ 75,000.00
300.50	Bldgs & Property	WIS Hot Water Heater #2 Larger	\$ 75,000.00
420.08	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	No. 2 - 16 Freightliner - Lease Payment 2 of 5	\$ 46,964.00
420.08	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	No. 2 - 16 Freightliner - Lease Payment 3 of 5	\$ 46,964.00
630.04	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Playground Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00
630.07	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Toro Groundmaster Mower	\$ 23,000.00
630.08	Mach/Equip/Vehicles	Paint Machine for Fields	\$ 2,500.00
630.09	Bldgs & Property	Marathon Playground ADA Parking Lot Modifications	\$ 3,000.00
630.14	Bldgs & Property	Park & Recreation - Materials - Babe Ruth Field Garage Roof	\$ 2,500.00
			\$ 1,440,965.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE – REQUIRES 2/3 OF FULL COUNCIL (6)**



## Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Council Resolution: R-FY21-009

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Introduced By: Councilors Wood and Chase

Date Introduced: May 25, 2021

First Reading: May 25, 2021

Second Reading: June 8, 2021

Amendments Adopted:

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

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### **Resolution R-FY21-009**

#### **FUTURE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA GUIDELINES RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, on April 24th, 2021, the Town of Bridgewater held its Annual Town Election; and

**WHEREAS**, the ballot contained a question for the voters, known as Question 1; and

**WHEREAS**, the text of the question read, "Will the public support allowing retail sale of recreational marijuana in Bridgewater?"; and

**WHEREAS**, the question was framed with, "This non-binding question will not change any current zoning or general ordinances but serves to inform the Town Council of current public opinion."; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Clerk has certified the results of the Election and the Ballot question; and

**WHEREAS**, Precincts 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, voted in the Affirmative for Question 1; and

**WHEREAS**, Precinct 2 was a no by only a single vote (207 YES, 208 NO); and

**WHEREAS**, out of 1891 ballots cast, there were only 14 blanks; and

**WHEREAS**, the public answered Yes on Question 1 by over 57%;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Council recognizes that it has been informed that the public supports allowing the retail sales of recreational marijuana in Bridgewater. Any zoning changes enacted by the Town Council shall identify the number of shops permitted, the Zone(s) where the shops are permitted, and the security regulations the shops must adhere to.

Explanation:

Similar to results found by broader surveys like Gallop, which found strong support for recreational marijuana, the results in Bridgewater show strong positive support to allow the retail sale of recreational marijuana within Bridgewater.

April 24th Question 1 Results:

Precinct 1: Yes 58.4%

Precinct 2: No 50.1%

**ROLL CALL VOTE – REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING.**

Precinct 3: Yes 59.4%  
Precinct 4: Yes 66.4%  
Precinct 5: Yes 60.0%  
Precinct 6: Yes 66.7%  
Precinct 7: Yes 54.2%  
Overall Results: Yes 57.5%

*Committee Referrals and Dispositions:*

<b>Referral(s)</b>	<b>Disposition(s)</b>
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# Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, May 25, 2021

Council Resolution: R-FY21-010

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Introduced By: Councilors Gallagher and Rushton  
Date Introduced: May 25, 2021  
First Reading: May 25, 2021  
Second Reading: June 8, 2021  
Amendments Adopted:  
Date Adopted:  
Date Effective:

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## **Resolution R-FY21-010**

### **A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup> AS A TOWN HOLIDAY**

**Whereas** Juneteenth is commemorated on the anniversary date of the June 19, 1865 announcement by Union Army general Gordon Granger, proclaiming freedom from slavery in Texas, and

**Whereas** commemoration of Juneteenth has involved celebrations dating to 1866, at first involving church-centered community gatherings in Texas, then spreading across the South through the early twentieth century, and

**Whereas** Juneteenth became more celebrated in the late twentieth century with a focus on African American freedom and arts, and

**Whereas** the Town of Bridgewater welcomes celebrations of its diversity, and recognizes the importance of acknowledging our residents' various and varied histories;

**Now Therefore**, the Town of Bridgewater recognizes the date of June 19 as Juneteenth, a holiday celebrating the emancipation of those who had been enslaved in the United States.

#### *Committee Referrals and Dispositions:*

<b>Referral(s)</b>	<b>Disposition(s)</b>
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## Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Council Order: O-FY21-050

Introduced By: Town Manager  
 Date Introduced: June 8, 2021  
 First Reading: June 8, 2021  
 Second Reading:  
 Amendments Adopted:  
 Third Reading:  
 Date Adopted:  
 Date Effective:

### Order O-FY21-050

#### END OF YEAR TRANSFERS

**ORDERED;** pursuant to Section 6-4 of the Town of Bridgewater Charter, that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to appropriate and transfer the amounts from below schedule Source of Funds to below schedule of Use of Funds:

Dept	Dept Description	Group	Amount
<b>Source of Funds</b>			
132	FINANCE RESERVE FUND	2-Expenses	(60,000.00)
135	FINANCE - ACCOUNTING	2-Expenses	(5,300.00)
155	IT	2-Expenses	(50.00)
210	POLICE	1-Salary/Wages/Benefits	(197,000.00)
240	INSPECTIONAL SERVICES	2-Expenses	(3,000.00)
303	NORFOLK AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL	2-Expenses	(80,779.00)
420	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	1-Salary/Wages/Benefits	(30,000.00)
510	HEALTH DEPARTMENT	2-Expenses	(500.00)
541	COUNCIL ON AGING	2-Expenses	(35,000.00)
543	VETERAN'S SERVICES	2-Expenses	(16,450.00)
610	LIBRARY	1-Salary/Wages/Benefits	(25,000.00)
<b>Source of Funds Total</b>			<b>(453,079.00)</b>

Dept	Dept Description	Group	Amount
<b>Use of Funds</b>			
123	TOWN MANAGER	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	10,000.00
123	TOWN MANAGER	2-Expenses	56,179.00
135	FINANCE - ACCOUNTING	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	5,300.00
145	FINANCE - TREASURER-COLLECTR	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	6,000.00
151	LEGAL	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	300.00
151	LEGAL	2-Expenses	5,000.00
155	IT	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	50.00
161	TOWN CLERK	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	5,750.00
192	TOWN BUILDINGS	2-Expenses	116,000.00
210	POLICE	3-Capital	97,000.00
220	FIRE	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	75,000.00
240	INSPECTIONAL SERVICES	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	3,000.00
510	HEALTH	1-Salary/Wage/Benefits	500.00
541	COUNCIL ON AGING	2-Expenses	38,000.00
610	LIBRARY	2-Expenses	25,000.00



919	HR - OTHER BENEFITS	2-Expenses	10,000.00
<b>Use of Funds Total</b>			<b>453,079.00</b>
			<b>0.00</b>

*Committee Referrals and Dispositions:*

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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# Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Council Order: O-FY21-052

Introduced By: Town Manager  
 Date Introduced: June 8, 2021  
 First Reading: June 8, 2021  
 Second Reading:  
 Amendments Adopted:  
 Third Reading:  
 Date Adopted:  
 Date Effective:

## Order O-FY21-052

### Transfer for Support of Diversity & Equity Inclusion Committee

**ORDERED**, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bridgewater Home Rule Charter, that the Town Council assembled vote to appropriate and transfer funds for the support of a Diversity & Equity Inclusion Committee:

		Amount
<b>Source of Funds</b>		
8013 One Time Other Revenue		\$ 25,000.00
		Amount
<b>Use of Funds</b>	<b>Account No.</b>	
	TBD	\$ 25,000.00
		\$ 25,000.00

**Explanation:**

*The Town Manager, with the support of the Town Council Members, assembled a diverse group of citizens that would consider and help to create strategy and to help institutionalize human capital practices that support and accelerate DE&I goals for the Town. As such, the complex work of the committee necessitates the need for a trained facilitator to assist in the orientation, review process, shape, design, facilitate, collaborate with stakeholders, and provide recommendations that will successfully integrate the DE&I program with the Town's mission, operations, strategies, and business objectives; as well as create a structure and mission for a permanent committee.*

***Committee Referrals and Dispositions:***

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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# Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Council Order: O-FY21-053

Introduced By: Town Manager  
 Date Introduced: June 8, 2021  
 First Reading: June 8, 2021  
 Second Reading:  
 Amendments Adopted:  
 Third Reading:  
 Date Adopted:  
 Date Effective:

## Order O-FY21-053

### Water Main Curve St Project Transfer Order

**ORDERED**, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bridgewater Home Rule Charter, that the Town Council assembled vote to appropriate funds for pursuant to Section 6-4 of the Town of Bridgewater Charter, that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to appropriate and transfer from below schedule Source of Funds to below schedule of Use of Funds:

Source of Funds	Account No.	GL Account Description	Amount
WTR RESERVES SPEC PURPOSE	6200-358000	WTR RESERV SP PURPOSE	\$ 300,000.00
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$ 300,000.00</b>
Use of Funds	Account No.	GL Account Description	Amount
CURVE ST WATER PROJECT	62154-497003	TRANSFER FROM EF	\$ 300,000.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 300,000.00</b>

**Explanation:**

*This transfer will fund the Curve Street Water Main Project. The Loan Authorization O-FY21-032 was authorized higher than needed. Since the Construction bid was received much less than anticipated, and in conjunction with the HCI Grant, funds available from Water Reserves for Capital can be used in lieu of borrowing short term to complete the water main installation of Curve Street.*

***Committee Referrals and Dispositions:***

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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