

**TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA
JANUARY 5, 2023; 7:00 PM**

American Legion Log Cabin 196 Main St.

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Public comment period

Item No. 1: To hear the reports of the Council Chair, committees, delegates, liaisons and the Town Manager.

Item No. 2: To consider an appropriation of funds from the Wastewater Reserve for improvements at the Royal River Pump Station.

Background: Over the past two years, the Yarmouth Sewer Department has seen a significant increase in the flow of groundwater in the area near the Royal River Sewer Pump Station. The additional groundwater is finding its way into the pump station infrastructure, including intrusion into the electrical conduits and other systems. To solve the problem, the Sewer Department is proposing installing an underdrain system, which would divert the groundwater flow around the station. The Sewer Department is requesting \$30,000 from the Wastewater Capital Reserve, to install the system.

At This Workshop: Council will discuss the issue.

Item No. 3: To consider the establishments of a Police Services Advisory Committee.

Background: Councilors have been discussing establishing a Police Services Advisory Committee to help improve the lines of communication between police and businesses and community stakeholders, to help foster a climate of transparency, collaboration, and accountability. The seven-member volunteer committee would include members of the community, two students, and liaisons from staff and the Police Department.

At This Workshop: Council will discuss the proposed committee.

Item No. 4: To consider a resolution of acceptance and appreciation for the donation of an easement for improved waterfront access at Madeleine Point Road from NextEra Energy.

Background: NextEra Energy, which owns the power plant on Cousins Island, has agreed to grant the Town an easement for two parcels of land near Madeleine Point, which will allow for improved waterfront access.

At This Workshop: Town Council will discuss the issue.

Item No. 5:

To consider an appropriation of funds for project design and permitting work at Madeleine Point.

Background: In order to improve access to Madeleine Point, on the land where NextEra is donating the easement, the Town will need to make a number of improvements. The first step is hiring a consulting engineer to develop plans, drawings, and cost estimates to make improvements recommended by the Harbor & Waterfront Committee. The Harbor and Waterfront Advisory Committee is seeking up to \$20,000 for engineering and permitting costs with some of the initial project costs. Some first phase improvements contemplated include a lifting frame to pull the gangway out for safety or storage, improvements to the mooring system for the gangway float to allow a longer marine resource harvesting season, investigation of subsurface conditions to accept pile driven support for float stability, layout and design of land areas for parking, access, kayak racks etc.) within the shoreland zone.

At This Workshop: Council will discuss the issue.

Item No. 6:

To consider or schedule other Council initiatives and requests as may be offered or introduced.

Item No. 7:

To hold an Executive Session to consider (a) various committee and board appointments, (b) Waiver of Foreclosure on a property tax lien, and (c) real estate matter.