

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA BACKGROUND**  
**Thursday May 20 at 7pm by teleconference.**

**Public Comment**

**Item No. 95:** To hear reports.

**Item No. 96:** To hold a public hearing and act upon issuance of a full-time malt, spirituous and vinous liquor licenses to Brickyard Hollow.

**Item No. 97:** To adopt a resolution naming the 2021 Latchstring Award Honorees.

**Background:** Each year, the Town Council awards The Latchstring Award to a resident who has contributed his or her time, effort, and concern for an extended and exemplary period for the benefit of the community. The honor derives its name from the town motto “Our Latchstring Always Out”, and is intended to acknowledge residents whose examples of citizenship and leadership keep Yarmouth a warm and welcoming community.

**At This Meeting:** Council will name this year’s Latchstring Award Honoree.

**Item No. 98:** To authorize the LED street light conversion project to proceed and to authorize a lease-purchase financing agreement, therefore.

**Background:** The Town has completed phase 1 of the project, which included an assessment, safety audit, design, inspection and obtained bid proposals to replace all the Town’s streetlights to LED fixtures and installation. In this second phase of the project, the consultant would oversee the removal and replacement of the existing fixtures with new LED fixtures and ancillary equipment and negotiate a maintenance contract. The Town will use lease financing to pay for this next phase of the project. Council needs to authorize the Town to move forward the project and financing. Operating costs are expected to drop by 81% in the conversion. Energy use is expected to drop by 64%.

**At This Meeting:** Council will vote on the issue.

**Item No. 99:** To act upon a proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Sandy Point Road Association.

**Background:** Sandy Point Road on Cousins Island is a private road, which is maintained by residents and members of the Sandy Point Road Association. It is the only road where cars can access Camp Soci, a town-owned parcel where the Town holds some summer camp programs. The Town is working out an agreement with members of the Association in which the Town would share costs for its use of the private road. The agreement would also outline the rights and responsibilities of the Road Association and the Town.

**At This Meeting:** Council will vote on the issue.

**Item No. 100:** To hold a public hearing and act upon proposed amendment to Chapter 308 of the Yarmouth Town Code (Harbor, Waterfront and Boat Ordinance).

**Background:** The Harbor and Waterfront Committee has recommended changes to the code, to help eliminate conflicts for uses at Madeline Point. One change would restrict use of the dinghy racks to mooring holders. A second change would look to reduce conflicts between boaters and others who are using the floats for recreational purposes.

**At This Meeting:** Council will vote on the issue.

**Item No. 101:** To hold a public hearing and act upon amendments to Chapter 318 of the Yarmouth Town Code (Rental Dwelling Ordinance).

**Background:** The Rental Dwelling Advisory Committee has recommended that Town register owners of rental properties, including short-term rentals for a nominal fee.

**At This Meeting:** Council will vote on the issue.

**Item No. 102:** To hold a public hearing and act upon the recommendations of the Planning Board regarding a contract zone agreement at 332 West Elm Street [Smith-Webber]. **This item has been tabled.**

**Item No. 103:** To hold a public hearing and act upon the recommendations of the Planning Board regarding a contract zone agreement at 538 Portland St. [Libby]

**Background:** The owner of 538 Portland Street has requested a Contract Zone Agreement in order to split a half-acre lot into two lots of 0.25 acres each. The property is in the MDR zone, which has a minimum lot size of 1 acre. The Planning Board recommended that Council approve the Contract Zone.

**At This Meeting:** Councilors will vote on the issue.

**Item No. 104:** To hold a public hearing and act upon amendments to Chapter 701 of the Yarmouth Town Code (Zoning) regarding keeping of domesticated chickens.

**Background:** In January, the Planning Board accepted and recommended additions to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the Keeping of Domesticated Chickens. This ordinance was proposed by residents to provide opportunities to have chickens in areas where the animals are currently prohibited or require a Special Exception from the General Board of Appeals.

**At This Meeting:** Councilors will vote on a revised version of the proposed amendments.

**Item No. 105:** To hold an Executive Session, if needed.