

Glocester Town Council Meeting
Town Hall, 1145 Putnam Pike, Chepachet
October 1, 2026 @ 7:30 p.m.

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Open Forum - For Agenda Items
- V. Citations – Eagle Scouts
- VI. Public Hearings – **Discussion and/or Action**
 - A. **CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 17, 2026**
Glocester Code of Ordinance – Proposed Amendment
 - 1. Part 3 General Legislation, Chapter 247 – Taxation, Article III
Exemption for Elderly & Disabled Persons
The proposed amendment would annually adjust the base exemption amount for qualified owners on a non -compounded basis using the Consumer Price Index and with no income eligibility limitation beginning with the assessment date of December 31, 2025 for use in the tax roll for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for qualifying.
- VII. Consent Items- Discussion and/or Action
 - A. Approval of Town Council Minutes: Regular Meeting of September 17, 2026
- VIII. Unfinished Business- Discussion and/or Action
 - A. Boards and Commissions
 - 1. Appointments- Discussion and/or Action
 - a. Board of Canvassers - Discussion and/or Action
 - 1. Alternate #2, One unexpired term to expire 2/28/2030
 - b. Recreation
 - 1. Position #3 – Term to Expire 12/31/2026
 - c. Parade Committee (continued from 8/6/2026)
 - 1. Position #6, #7, Alt. #2 and Alt. #3
 - B. High Hazard Dam Emergency Action Plans - Discussion and/or Action
 - 1. Authorization for volunteer to work with previously authorized group
 - C. Authorize the signing of a letter of support Re: Old Killingly Pond dam (located in Connecticut)
- Discussion and/or Action
- IX. New Business
 - A. West Glocester Intensive Special Education Program – Discussion and/or Action
 - B. Finance Department – Authorization to Seek Temporary Accounting Personnel (as needed)

Discussion and/or Action

- C. Annual Calendar 2027: Consider change of time for Town Council Meetings and/or meetings of any other town board or commission -Discussion and/or Action
 - D. Authorization of Signature – Discussion and/or Action
 - 1. Amendment to Contract (approved by Town Council 9/17/2026) between Town of Gloucester & Beta, Inc. for engineering and construction services at GMP
 - 2. Cooperative agreement for Rural Community Health Networks funding with Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services “GC Addendum F – Supplemental Terms and Conditions” – Discussion and/or Action
 - 3. Municipal Road and Bridge Program State Funds Agreement for FY 2027 –Eligibility to utilize available funds on road construction projects - Discussion and/or Action
 - E. US Dept. of Agriculture - Rural Development Grant - Discussion and/or Action
 - 1. Ratification of Police Dept. Grant Application
 - 2. Authorization to Sign – Community Facilities Grant Agreement, OMB #0575-0173
 - F. Authorize Building/Zoning Official to NFIT (National Flood Insurance Program) Administrator for the Town of Gloucester - Discussion and/or Action
 - G. Consideration of Resolution Re: Affordable Housing Laws & Joint Statement – Discussion and/or Action
- X. Legislative Updates - Discussion and/or Action
- XI. Town Council Correspondence/ Discussion
- XII. Dept. Head Reports/Discussion
- XIII. Bds. and Commissions Reports/ Discussion
- XIV. Open Forum
- XV. Seek to Convene to Closed Executive Session Pursuant to:
- A. Discussion by Council, Vote, or Other Action pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2) Sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, or work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation:
 - 1. **R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2), Potential Litigation.** Discussion, and possible vote or other action, regarding a potential claim by the Gloucester School Department or Foster Gloucester Regional School Department.
 - B. Discussion by Council, Vote, or Other Action pursuant to:
 - 1. **R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(1), Personnel.** Discussion, and possible vote or other action, regarding the employment benefits of the [Police/Fire] Chief. *(The affected employee has been notified in advance in writing as required by § 42-46-5(a)(1).)*
- XVI. Reconvene Open Session - Disclosure of votes taken in Executive Session & Consideration of the Sealing of Minutes - Discussion and/or Action
- XVII. Adjourn

