



**TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
BUDGET WORK SESSION
Jamestown Town Hall
Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers
93 Narragansett Avenue
Tuesday, March 25, 2025
5:00 P.M.**

THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN PERSON ONLY.

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The public is welcome to participate in Town Council meetings in several ways:

- *Citizens are invited to speak on the topic of a Public Hearing which will be listed on the agenda.*
- *Citizens may speak during Open Forum to clarify or comment on an item on the agenda or address items not on the agenda.*
 - *A Citizen may schedule a Request to Address with the Town Council no less than seven day before the meeting in which they would like to appear. Their topic will be listed on the agenda and Town Councilors may respond to their comments.*
 - *Citizens may also simply request to speak in Open Forum at a Council meeting by raising their hands and being recognized by the Town Council President. (See below)*
- *At other times during a Town Council meeting, citizens may speak at the discretion of the Council President or of a majority of Councilors present.*

Anyone wishing to speak should use the microphone at the front of the room and state their name and address for the record. Comments must be addressed to the Council, not the audience. The Town Council hopes that citizens and Councilors alike will be respectful of each other, and mindful of everyone’s time. For those speaking on an agenda item, please note that this is the time reserved for councilors to discuss these items and your participation in the discussion is at the discretion of the Council.

Attachments for items on this meeting agenda are available to the public on the Town website at:
<https://jamestownri.gov/town-government/town-council/town-council-meetings-minutes/2025-meetings-minutes>

I. ROLL CALL

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION for FY 2025/ 2026 (July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026)

- A) Review and Discussion: Discussion and consideration of staff-proposed projects requiring potential bond initiatives of \$3,883,000:
- 1) Memorandum from Town Administrator Mello to the Town Council regarding Bond Options:
 - a) Project 1: Senior Repair Project \$ 885,000
 - b) Project 2: Fort Getty Improvements \$ 430,000
 - c) Project 3: Town Buildings/Facilities Maintenance \$1,618,000
 - d) Project 4: Department of Public Works Equipment \$ 950,000
- B) Review and Discussion: At the request of Vice President Brine discussion and consideration of a proposed Jamestown Recreation Bond of \$1,700,000 or \$2,600,000:
- 1) Memorandum from Vice President Brine regarding potential bond(s) for investment into Eldred Field, Lawn Avenue School gymnasium, and bike/pedestrian paths.
- C) Review and Discussion: At the request of Councilor Meagher discussion and consideration of a \$3,000,000 Bond for affordable housing for FY 2025/2026:
- 1) Memorandum from the Affordable Housing Committee requesting Town Council support of a \$3,000,000 Bond for potential affordable housing initiatives.
- D) Town Council Budget Work Session: review and discussion: FY2025-2026: Town Administrator's Proposed Budget; recommend proposed FY2025-2026 Town Budget of \$30,841,871 for consideration at the Annual Financial Town Meeting on June 2, 2025:
- 1) Town Administrator's Proposed Town General Fund Budget of \$14,006,265 and the Town Administrator's Proposed School Budget of \$16,835,606.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting shall be posted on the Secretary of State's website and at the Town Hall and the Jamestown Philomenian Library. Notice is also posted at the Jamestown Police Station and on the Internet at www.jamestownri.gov.

ALL NOTE: If communications assistance is needed or other accommodations to ensure equal participation, please call 1-800-745-5555, or contact the Town Clerk at 401-423-9800, via facsimile to 401-423-7230, or email to rfagan@jamestownri.net not less than three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website on March 21, 2025.