

# TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

## OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL



### Rules & Procedures Committee Meeting

**Committee Members:**

*Shawn George, Chair  
District 3 Councilor*

*Peter Colombotos, Member  
District 5 Councilor*

*Frank Sousa, Member  
District 7 Councilor*

***Location:***

Virtual Via Zoom

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Call In: 1-646-876-9923

Meeting ID: 920 7119 2084

***Date & Time:***

Monday June 1, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Agenda

- A. Call to Order
- B. Approval of Minutes:
  - May 14, 2020
- C. Legislation Referred:
  - Order O-FY20-057: Town Council Acceptance of Electronic Signatures by Municipal Boards Recording Standard
- D. Public Comment
- E. Adjourn



# Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Council Order: O-FY20-057

Introduced By: Town Manager  
 Date Introduced: May 19, 2020  
 First Reading: May 19, 2020  
 Second Reading:  
 Amendments Adopted:  
 Third Reading:  
 Date Adopted:  
 Date Effective:

## Order O-FY20-057

### TOWN COUNCIL ACCEPTANCE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES BY MUNICIPAL BOARDS RECORDING STANDARD

**WHEREAS**, effective April 17, 2020, the Massachusetts Registers and Assistant Registers of Deeds Association adopted Amendment **13-7. Electronic Signatures by Municipal Boards** to the Massachusetts Deed Indexing Standards 2018;

**WHEREAS**, said Amendment requires a Municipal Board or Commission to formally vote that the Board or Commission recognizes and accepts the provisions of M.G.L. c. 110G regarding electronic signatures and that its members will henceforth execute documents either with electronic signatures or with wet ink signatures and that both will carry the same legal weight and effect;

**WHEREAS**, after adoption of same, the Board of Commission shall record said Certificate of Vote that provides the language of the Motion that was made regarding electronic signatures and attests to the vote taken, and obtains the Town Clerk’s certification;

**ORDERED**, that the Town Council for the Town of Bridgewater hereby recognizes and accepts the provisions of M.G.L. c. 110G regarding electronic signatures and that its members will henceforth execute documents either with electronic signatures or with wet ink signatures and that both will carry the same legal weight and effect.

Explanation:

*This act allows the Town Council to sign and record documents electronically pursuant to M.G.L. c. 110G.*

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
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**CERTIFICATE OF VOTE AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES PURSUANT TO M.G.L. c. 110G**

On \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, the Town of Bridgewater, Town Council met in open session through publicly accessible video-conference software, pursuant to the "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20," issued by Governor Charles D. Baker on March 12, 2020. At this duly held meeting, the following action was taken:

Motion: The Town of Bridgewater, Town Council hereby recognizes and accepts the provisions of M.G.L. c. 110G regarding electronic signatures and that its members will henceforth execute documents either with electronic signatures or with wet ink signatures and that both will carry the same legal weight and effect. Motion was seconded.

Roll Call vote:

Vote was

The above is a true and accurate account of the proceedings of the Town of Bridgewater, Town Council.

Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Plymouth, ss.

On this\_\_ day of 2020, before, personally appeared Dennis Gallagher, President of the Town of Bridgewater, Town Council, as aforesaid, and provided to me through satisfactory evidence of identification which was a Massachusetts Driver's License, to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding document, and acknowledged to me that he signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose on behalf of the Town of Bridgewater Town Council.

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Notary Public: Jason M. Rawlins, Esq.  
My Commission Expires: 10/2/2026

Certified by Town Clerk:

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Marilee Kenney Hunt

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2020