



TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN

Historic District Commission

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 5:30 PM

South Kingstown Town Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room

180 High Street, Wakefield, RI 02879

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Murray Gates, Chair
Sharon Henderson, Vice Chair
John Desmond, Secretary
Richard Youngken
Bettina Monaco
Elle Moore
- Vacant -

Unless otherwise noted, the HDC may discuss and/or act upon each item on this agenda.

A. Call to Order & Roll Call

B. Approval of Minutes:

1. 9/24/2026 Draft Minutes

C. Correspondence & Public Comment:

D. New Business:

1. Section 106 ACHP & Congressional Regulatory Overhauls — Review and discussion of the proposed changes by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to 36 CFR Part 800 as well as Senate Bill 5653.

E. Old Business:

1. Public Workshop on Certificates of Appropriateness and Historic Zoning in South Kingstown — Discussion of a potential community engagement event / series of events to inform Town residents about historic zoning, the HDC and its regulations, and the certificate of appropriateness process in South Kingstown with potential collaboration with South County History Center.
2. South Kingstown Stone Wall Ordinance — Review of the draft Stone Wall Ordinance and potential recommendation to the Planning Board for further review.
3. Stone Wall Guide and Informational Materials — Discussion of a potential stone wall guidebook and/or informational handout to accompany the Stone Wall Ordinance.
4. Historic Cement Street Markers — Discussion on historic cement street markers in South Kingstown, including the 1936 Tercentenary markers, and potential action to promote their preservation.
5. Public Workshop on National Register Listing — Discussion of a potential seminar / workshop guiding residents on how to navigate the State and National Register listing process.

F. Staff Update & Planning Department Activities:

1. Status of GIS Mapping of Historic Landmarks / Sites

G. Recurring Discussion Topics:

1. Revisions to the Kingston Historic District Preservation Guidelines
2. US 250th Celebration Updates
3. Main Street RI Update
4. Status of the Application to Place the West Kingston Signal Towner on the National Register of Historic Places
5. Matunuck Beach Historic Resource Survey
6. Coordination with the Affordable Housing Collaborative Committee

H. New Discussion Issues & Future Agenda Items:

I. Adjournment:

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