

Lincoln Town Council

Press Release

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Lincoln Town Council Designates First Thursday of Each Month as Alternate Meeting Night

During its April monthly meeting, the Lincoln Town Council unanimously agreed to designate the first Thursday of every month as an alternate meeting date for any Council business requiring attention that cannot wait until the next regularly scheduled meeting date. Any meetings held on these days will commence at 5:45pm unless otherwise posted.

“During 2005-06, the Town Council held 28 special meetings in addition to our regular monthly meetings and this trend has continued into the new Council term,” said Council President Jeremiah T. O’Grady. “When special meetings are scheduled in an ad hoc fashion the public is less likely to know about them and has less opportunity to participate. With our new schedule, the public knows that any necessary special meetings will take place on a specific date and at a specific time.”

O’Grady noted that the Council had been debating a modification to its meeting schedule for several months to find a solution which met the needs of the public, Council members, and town hall staff. He went on to note that special meetings will not be held on the first Thursday of each month unless items which cannot wait until the next regular meeting need to be addressed.