NS Public Building Improvement Commission
Bond History & Mission Statement

Bond Language - 2014 Ballot:

8. Authorizes the Town of North Smithfield to issue $4,300,000 in general obligation bonds for school buildings
Shall an act passed at the 2014 session of the general assembly entitled “An act authorizing the Town of North Smithfield to finance the demolition (or safeguarding), repair, rehabilitation and consolidation of school classroom and storage buildings, including Halliwell Memorial School, North Smithfield Elementary School, North Smithfield Middle School, North Smithfield High School and The Andrews School, in accordance with a plan adopted by the Town Council by the issuance of not more than $4,300,000 of bonds and/or notes therefor” be approved?

• Decommissioning the severely deteriorating Halliwell Elementary School would avoid an estimated $3 Million short-term / $12 Million long-term in repairs
• K-4th grade students would attend NS Elementary School and 5th grade students would attend the NS Middle School
• Expanding the cafeteria and classroom spaces at NS Elementary School and updating the NS High School facilities impacting health & safety would cost less than fixing Halliwell Elementary

9. Authorizes the town of north Smithfield to issue $5,200,000 in bonds and notes to finance the repair of the Kendall-Dean building, Memorial Town Hall and Municipal Annex, in order to consolidate municipal and school of administration functions.
Shall and act passed of the 2014 session of the general assembly entitled “an act of authorizing the town of north Smithfield to finance the repair and rehabilitation of the Kendall-Dean building, Memorial Town Hall building, and the Municipal Annex to achieve efficiencies and the consolidation of municipal and school administration functions in accordance with the plan adopted by the Town Council by the issuance of not more than $5,200,000 of bonds and/or notes therefor” be approved?

• Consolidate both school administration and all town municipal offices, from both Annex Building and Memorial Town Hall into Kendall Dean Building
• Update, upgrade, and improved the Kendall Dean Building to today’s standards
• Re-purpose the entire Annex Building for the NS Police Headquarters complying with federal and state regulations to include technologies, communications, enhance record facilities and evidence preservation
• The continually growing town population and business development leads to a higher demand on the NS Police Department for service and operations.
10. Authorizes the town of North Smithfield to issue $2,500,000 of general obligation bonds and notes in order to finance the repair and rehabilitation of local road infrastructure (Chapters 239 and 298 Public Laws 2014)

Shall and act passed at the 2014 session of the general assembly entitled “an act of authorizing the Town of North Smithfield to finance the repair and rehabilitation of local road infrastructure by the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 of bonds and/or notes therefor” be approved?

Repave and repair 30 roads throughout the town in the most need of rehabilitation, including upgrades to drainage systems

**Authorization:**
- The NS PBIC has been formed by the NS Town Council with the express goal of implementing the NS Infrastructure Bonds outlined above as approved by Voters in North Smithfield in November 2014.
- In August, 2015, the NS School Committee authorized the PBIC to act in the capacity of the School Building Commission as required by RIDE regulations

**Mission Statement:**
It shall be the mission of the Public Building Improvement Commission (PBIC) to oversee the implementation the Town of North Smithfield infrastructure bonds as approved by the Voters of North Smithfield and described above. The PBIC shall provide guidance to all design professionals and or agencies for the planning, and implementation of each bond described above as separate projects to achieve the specific goals outlined in the bond questions themselves. The PBIC shall make a recommendation to the Town Council on all expenditures in accordance with Sec. 2-195; Public Building Improvement Commission for the Town of North Smithfield. The PBIC shall also seek approval for any actions regarding the North Smithfield Schools from the North Smithfield School Committee, Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) and/or other committee or commissions as required by law.

**Vision/Goals:**
Project implementation shall be guided by the maximization of benefit in consideration of time, resources, and expenses as allotted to each bond. The PBIC shall act in such a way to ensure money allocated by the taxpayers of North Smithfield through the approved bonds is spent in a fiscally responsible manner. The PBIC shall strive to implement the best plan available to achieve efficiencies inherent in the town reorganization and rehabilitation of space.

**Scope limitation:**
While it is recognized that project specifics may be adjusted to reflect current situations, bond amounts shall be considered the maximum authorized expenditure. All expenditures are subject to Town Council (TC) review and approval. The PBIC holds no spending authority and shall make recommendations as needed for TC approval of specific tasks requiring expenditure.