

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
August 3, 2020

I. ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on August 3, 2020. This meeting was held pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-05, executed by Governor Gina Raimondo and was teleconferenced via Zoom. The public access code to participate by phone was 1 (301) -715-8592 or 1(312) - 626- 6799 or 1(646) - 558- 8656. To participate by computer or mobile app: <https://zoom.us/j/95521406463> Meeting ID: **955 2140 6463** Town Council Members present were as follows: Michael G. White, Mary Meagher, Nancy A. Beye, William J. Piva, Jr. and Randy White. Also present Town Administrator Jamie A. Hainsworth, Finance Director Christina D. Collins, Town Solicitor Peter D. Ruggiero, Chief of Police Edward A. Mello, and Town Planner, Lisa Bryer, Michael Gray, Public Works Director and Senior Service Director Betsey Anderson.

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Council President White called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:30 P.M. in the Jamestown Town Hall, Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

A) Proclamations:

- 1) Proclamation Honoring Debbie Shea for her Service and Retirement

The Proclamation was read by Vice President Meagher.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the 2020-4 Proclamation Honoring Debbie Shea for her Service and Retirement. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

B) Resolutions:

- 1) Resolution: Rhode Island Turnpike & Bridge Authority

The Resolution was read by President White

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Beye to approve the Resolution: Rhode Island Turnpike & Bridge Authority. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

- 2) Resolution: Establish a Grant Program for Small Businesses Impacted by Covid-19

The Resolution was read by Councilor Beye

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Resolution: Establish a Grant Program for Small Businesses Impacted by Covid-19 . Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS

The Town Council will review each license application and vote on it individually. All approvals for licenses and permits are subject to the resolution of debts, taxes and appropriate signatures, when applicable, proof of insurance, as well as, Department of Health Covid- 19 Control Plan for Events. Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) One Day Event License Applications:
 - 1) Applicant: BJ White House
Event: JCC Talent Show
Dates: August 20, 2020
Location: Lawn School Athletic Field

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Piva to approve the JCC Talent Show.* Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

- 2) Applicant: St. Matthew's Church
Event: Lobster Roll Sale
Dates: August 15, 2020
Location: St. Matthew's Parking Lot

A motion was made by Councilor White with second by Vice President Meagher to approve the Lobster Roll Sale*. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

- 3) Applicant: St. Matthew's Church
Event: Outdoor Thrift Store
Dates: September 12, 2020
Location: St. Matthew's Parking Lot

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Outdoor Thrift Store*. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

- 4) Applicant: Democratic Town Committee
- Event: Vote for Women Centennial
- Dates: August 18, 2020
- Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Beye to approve the Vote for Women Centennial*. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

*The above events were approved by the Town Council with the stipulation that all aspects of the event will meet the current regulations mandated by the Governor and the State of Rhode Island on the day of the event. Parks and Recreation Director Andrew Wade to monitor.

- B) Bingo License Application; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
 - 1) Applicant Friends of Jamestown Seniors, Inc.
 - Event: Bingo Games
 - Dates: 08-31-2020 to 08-31-2021
 - Location: 6 West Street
 - a) RI State Police Certificate of Approval to conduct Senior Center Bingo through August 31, 2021

A motion was made by Councilor Beye with second by Vice President Meagher to approve the Bingo Games at the Senior Center. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor White to convene as the liquor licensing board. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor White, Aye

- C) Town Council Sitting as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board
 - Notice is hereby given by the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown, being the Licensing Board in said Town as provided under Title 3, Chapters 1-12 of the General Laws of Rhode Island 1956, and as amended.
 - 1) Discussion and/ or Approval of a Class F License Request from the Democratic Town Committee to serve at their Vote for Women Centennial Event to be held on August 18th at Fort Getty Pavilion

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Beye to approve the Class F License request from the Democratic Town Committee. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor

Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to adjourn as the liquor licensing board. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

V. COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATOR, SOLICITOR, COMMISSION/COMMITTEE COMMENTS & REPORTS

Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) Town Administrator's Report: Jamie A. Hainsworth-
 - 1) Executive Order 20-5 Addition of No Parking Zones to Limit Capacity at Mackerel Cove Beach Area- Listed on the Consent Agenda for Approval
 - 2) Executive Order 20-6 Addition of No Parking Zones to Limit Capacity at Mackerel Cove Beach Area- Listed on the Consent Agenda for Approval
 - 3) Road Race Event September 19, 2020- Listed in New Business Request Action to Rescind the Prior Approval
 - 4) Water Use Restriction Advertisement -For Your Information
 - 5) Vacancy of Executive Secretary- For Your Information
 - 6) Town Administrator's Review- Scheduling of Date
 - 7) Taylor Point Update- For Your Information

Town Administrator Hainsworth commented on the excellent job of Island Rubbish, the Jamestown Litter Core and the Parks and Recreation Department staff for curbing the litter at Taylor Point.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) Upcoming Meetings and Sessions – dates and times
 - 1) Town Council Meeting Schedule: August 17, 2020, September 1, 2020 and September 21, 2020

Meeting dates were reviewed and confirmed.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) Review, Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Request from the Board of Rhode Island Slave History Medallions to install a Medallion in Jamestown.

Charles Roberts of Newport explained the Medallion Project. Discussion ensued. To be placed on the the August 17, 2020 Town Council Agenda

Emily Falces of 3 Hammet Court is in support of installing a Medallion in Jamestown.

Rosemary Enright of 44 Clarke Street stated the Jamestown Historical Society is in support of the request.

Sydney Keen of 112 Walcott Avenue spoke on behalf of Jamestown for Justice being in full support of the project.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

An item on the Consent Agenda need not be removed for simple clarification or correction of typographical errors. Approval of the Consent Agenda shall be equivalent to approval of each item as if it had been acted upon separately for review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote. A Consent Agenda item or items may be removed by the Town Council for review, discussion and/or potential action and or vote.

- A) Adoption of Town Council Minutes
 - 1) June 23, 2020 (Special Meeting)
 - 2) June 23, 2020 (Executive Session)
 - 3) July 20, 2020 (Regular Meeting)

- B) Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees
 - 1) Jamestown Board of Canvassers (June 10, 2020)
 - 2) Jamestown Board of Canvassers (July 15, 2020)
 - 3) Jamestown Planning Commission (March 4, 2020)
 - 4) Jamestown Planning Commission (June 3, 2020)
 - 5) Jamestown Planning Commission (June 17, 2020)
 - 6) Jamestown Planning Commission (July 1, 2020)

- C) Ratification of Executive Order 20-5 Addition of No Parking Zones to Limit Capacity at Mackerel Cove Beach Area

- D) Ratification of Executive Order 20-6 Addition of No Parking Zones to Limit Capacity at Mackerel Cove Beach Area

IX. OPEN FORUM- To participate you will press *9 to raise your hand.

The meeting moderator will coordinate your participation.

Comments are not limited to items on this agenda. However, items not on this agenda will only be heard and not acted upon by the Town Council. Note: Section 42-46-6 of the Open Meetings Act, and Department of the Attorney General Advisory Opinions relevant to this item on any public body meeting agenda specifically prohibits the Town Council from discussing, considering or acting on any topic, statement or question presented. The Town Council may, if warranted, refer such matters to an appropriate committee, to another body or official, or post the matter for consideration at a properly-noticed, future meeting.

- 1) Scheduled request to address – None
- 2) Non-scheduled request to address

Will, Kim and Ann Tuthill of 24 Stanton Road, Catherine Gregory of Bay View Drive, Ron and Ratcliff of 23 Ship Street all voiced their concerns for the health and safety of

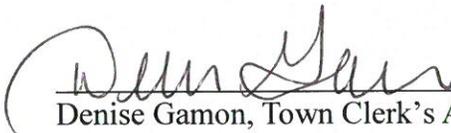
the community. Emily Falces of 3 Hammet Court in response to the concerns mentioned; the priority was littering.

Paul Ratteron of 164 Capstan Street said “keep the big picture in mind, we need the tourists.”

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to adjourn at 8:26 P.M. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beyé, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

Attest:



Denise Gamon, Town Clerk's Assistant