TOWN COUNCIL MEETING November 2, 2015

I. ROLL CALL

Town Council Members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President Mary E. Meagher, Vice President Blake A. Dickinson Michael G. White Thomas P. Tighe

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator
Peter D. Ruggiero, Town Solicitor
Christina D. Collins, Finance Director
Edward A. Mello, Police Chief
Michael C. Gray, Public Works Director
Cathy Kaiser, School Committee Chair
Cheryl A. Fernstrom, Town Clerk

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Trocki called the regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Jamestown Town Hall Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue, and Councilor Dickinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, RESOLUTIONS None.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS

All approvals for licenses and permits are subject to the resolution of debts, taxes and appropriate signatures as well as, when applicable, proof of insurance.

A) PUBLIC HEARINGS

1) Proposed Amendment of the Jamestown Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70 Traffic and Vehicles, Article III. Specific Street Regulations, Sec. 70-52 Stop Intersections and Sec. 70-55 Restrictions on Certain Streets; duly advertised in the *Jamestown Press* October 22nd edition; discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

A motion was made by Councilor Tighe with second by Councilor White to open the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

President Trocki noted the proposed four-way Stop at Windsor Street and Columbia Avenue and prohibition on commercial vehicles weighing over 7000 pounds GVRW on Carr Lane, Columbia Avenue, and Reservoir Circle. Chief Mello explained the proposed four-way stop to restrict commercial truck traffic from the south side of McQuade's in order to prevent delivery trucks from accessing McQuade's through the residential neighborhood. The ordinance amendments were fully vetted through the Traffic Committee.

There were no Town Council of Public comments.

A motion was made by Councilor Tighe with second by Vice President Meagher to adopt the proposed amendment to the Code of Ordinances as outlined. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Dickinson to close the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

B) COUNCIL SITTING AS 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, that the following RENEWAL applications have been received by the Town Council under said Act, for the period December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016 (duly advertised in the *Jamestown Press* October 8th and October 15th editions); discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to convene as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board and open the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

RENEWALS: Approval of Licenses by Class

As requested by Councilor Dickinson, Town Administrator Nota explained the process for setting liquor license caps by license class. Additional licenses can be issued by Council by vote to increase the license cap in the event there is a viable application for a license in a particular class. President Trocki commented on the process and procedure the Council follows in granting licenses, which is primarily based on protection of the public. The cap is set at each liquor license public hearing, but there is nothing preventing the Council from increasing the liquor license caps and does not prevent anyone from applying for an additional liquor license within a class. Discussion continued.

a) <u>CLASS A (PACKAGE STORE) – RETAIL</u>

Tunstall, Inc. dba: Grapes & Gourmet 9 Ferry Wharf

i) Request a motion to approve the liquor license renewal applications for **CLASS A (PACKAGE STORE)** – **RETAIL**, upon resolution of debts, taxes, State approval and appropriate signatures for the year December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016.

There were no Town Council of Public comments.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Class A Liquor License renewal for Tunstall, Inc. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye, Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

ii) Request a motion to set the CLASS A (PACKAGE STORE) – RETAIL Liquor License Cap at TWO (2)

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to set the Class A – (Package Store) Retail Liquor License Cap at two. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye, Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

Varsha, Inc. dba: Jamestown Wine & Spirits 30 Southwest Avenue

A motion was made by Councilor White with second by Vice President Meagher to continue the Class A – (Package Store) Retail Liquor License renewal for Varsha, Inc. to the next Town Council Meeting. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye, Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

b) <u>CLASS B – VICTUALER</u>

Islandish, Ltd. dba: Chopmist Charlies 40 Narragansett Avenue

New England Golf Course Management, Inc. dba: Jamestown Golf and Country Club

aka: The Cady Shack 245 Conanicus Avenue (lower level rear)

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to continue the Class B – Victualer license renewals for Islandish, Ltd. dba: Chopmist Charlies and New England Golf Course Management, Inc. dba: Jamestown Golf and Country Club to the next agenda. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye, Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

Jamestown Culinary Partners, LLC dba: Jamestown Fish 14 Narragansett Avenue

Jamestown Restaurant Group, LLC dba: Narragansett Café 25 Narragansett Avenue

> Slice of Heaven, Inc. dba: Slice of Heaven 32 Narragansett Avenue

ESJ, Inc. dba: Simpatico Jamestown 13 Narragansett Avenue

KALI, LLC

dba: J Twenty-Two and the Unmarked Door 22 arragansett Avenue

There were no Town Council or Public comments.

i) Request a motion to approve the liquor license renewal applications for **CLASS B-VICTUALER**, upon resolution of debts, taxes, State approval and appropriate signatures for the year December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Class B – Victualer Liquor License renewals. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye, Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

ii) Request a motion to set the **CLASS B-VICTUALER** Liquor License Cap at SEVEN (7)

A motion was made by Councilor White with second by Councilor Dickinson to set the Class B – Victualer Liquor License Cap at seven.

Public comment. Attorney Neil Philbin, representing the Portuguese American Citizens Club and the Holy Ghost Society, commented on the proposed purchase of the PAC by the Town which did not pass. His clients are concerned with setting of the license cap by class excluding new liquor license application approvals. However, the process explained by Town Administrator Nota clarified the process. President Trocki explained no individual or corporation is excluded from applying for a liquor license by the setting of the license cap by class.

Back to the vote on the motion. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye, Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

c) CLASS B – LIMITED

Lucky Ridge Co., LLC dba: Spinnaker's Café 3 Ferry Wharf

There were no Town Council or Public comments.

i) Request a motion to approve the liquor license renewal application for **CLASS B – LIMITED**, upon resolution of debts, taxes, State approval and appropriate signatures for the year December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016.

A motion was made by Councilor Tighe with second by Councilor Dickinson to approve the Class B - Limited Liquor License renewal for Lucky Ridge Co., LLC. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

ii) Request a motion to set the CLASS B – LIMITED Liquor Licenses Cap at ONE (1)

A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Vice President Meagher to set the Class B Limited Liquor License Cap at one. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

d) CLASS D - FULL (CLUB)

Conanicut Yacht Club dba: Conanicut Yacht Club 40 Bay View Drive Public Comment: Mary Lou Sanborn of Bay View Drive referenced her September 30th letter to the Conanicut Yacht Club outlining her concerns for noise, parking, and traffic flow associated with CYC functions (copied to the Town Council). Ms. Sanborn stated she did not receive a response from CYC. The Traffic Committee addressed her communication and a traffic study will be performed next summer. Ms. Sanborn noted she is not seeking denial of the CYC license, but asking Council to consider her concerns when granting the license renewal. Chief Mello commented the parking requirements will be reviewed and her concerns can be addressed with of CYC.

Town Council comments. President Trocki hopes any problems will be addressed and monitoring will continue.

i) Request a motion to approve the liquor license renewal application for CLASS D – FULL (CLUB), upon resolution of debts, taxes, State approval and appropriate signatures for the year December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Class D – Full (Club) Liquor License renewal. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

ii) Request a motion to set the CLASS B – LIMITED Liquor License Cap at ONE (1)

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to set the Class D – Full (Club) Liquor License cap at one. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Vice President Meagher to close the public hearing and adjourn as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board at 7:21 p.m. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

C) LICENSES AND PERMITS

- 1) RIGL §5-24-1 (a) and (b) and §5-24-2: Title 5 Businesses and Professions (Taverns, Cookshops and Oyster Houses); discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
 - a) Request a motion to approve the Victualing License with extended hours RENEWAL application, upon resolution of debts, taxes, State approval and appropriate signatures for the year December 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016:

Cumberland Farms, Inc. dba: Cumberland Farms Store #1108 41 North Main Road Plat 8 Lot 626

Application of **Cumberland Farms, Inc. dba: Cumberland Farms Store #1108,** for renewal of additional operational hours to open at 5:00 a.m. for said establishment, holder of a Victualing License issued by the Town of Jamestown. If granted, this will allow the establishment to continue to be open from 5:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. daily (RIGL §5-24-1 allows this establishment to be open from 6:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. without additional operating hours).

There were no Town Council or Public comments.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the Victualing License with extended hours for Cumberland Farms. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

V. OPEN FORUM

Please note that, under scheduled requests to address, if the topic of the address is available to be put on the agenda, the Council may discuss the issue.

- A) Scheduled to address. None.
- B) Non-scheduled to address. None.

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

- A) Town Administrator's Report: Town Administrator Andrew E. Nota.
 - 1) Town Council Goals and Objectives

Town Administrator Nota gave an update on the Goals and Objectives (19 page report), which is addressed at the first meeting of each month and monitors our progress in meeting the prioritized goals. The document is available on the Town website.

2) Town Positions

Town Administrator Nota updated the Council on vacant positions and interviews.

Parks and Recreation Director. To date 20 applications were received and six outstanding candidates were interviewed by the Interview Committee (Finance Director Collins, Public Works Director Gray, Town Planner Bryer, and Town Administrator Nota).

Library Associate (formerly Library Assistant). Of the 10 applicants, four or five are scheduled for interviews next week (Interview Committee is Library Director Fogarty, Assistant Librarian Sheeley, Finance Director Collins and Town Administrator Nota).

3) Rental Property

The Ordinance Review Committee will hold a public session on November 30th at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall to review the rental property topic, including updates on the new sales tax program, problems with marketing residential properties for events, short-term and long-term property rentals, landlord and tenant responsibilities, concept of a rental registry, and a comprehensive discussion of local ordinances in place and what is needed to address property rental issues.

4) Rotary Club Bike Race

An update on the Bike Race will be addressed in detail later in the agenda.

5) Fort Getty Story Circle

Construction of the Story Circle, contributed by the Roach Family in memory of Linda Roach, has been completed. The story circle is a beautiful 20 ft. stone circular gathering place with a fire pit in the middle. The dedication, with a professional story teller, is tentatively set for November 21st at a time to be determined. The story circle was designed by Jamestown resident and architect Arek Galle. The Roach family was active in all phases of the project and they are very pleased with the outcome. Vice President Meagher commented the new structure is a great gathering place for residents. More information on the event will be forwarded to the Council as it becomes available, and the public is invited to the dedication, which will be a magical evening. Council members expressed gratitude to the Roach Family. Councilor Dickinson commented on the need for a process and procedure to use the facility. Town Administrator Nota stated that will one of the first tasks for the new Parks and Recreation Director.

6) Legislative Items

Code Red System. The State of RI emergency notification contract was awarded to Code Red, the current service provider for the Town of Jamestown. As a result of the State contract, the Town will save \$1,500 annually on the system and maintenance.

Viewpoint Cloud Permitting System. This is a new online building permit system to be unveiled on November 17th and piloted by 10 communities to replace the paper permit applications currently in use. Implementation of the program would decrease the number of in-person applications and streamline the permit process.

Building Codes Standards Sub Committee. The new Committee is reviewing building permit fees statewide and standardizing them based on community size. Building Official Costa has run some scenarios and if the program and new rates are imposed, Jamestown's revenue projections would benefit slightly. The main question is whether the State should regulate local fees. Discussion continued. Updates on all legislative issues will continue.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A) Jamestown Rotary Club Classic Bike Race; discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Town Administrator Nota provided a brief introduction to the topic and reviewed his post event report on the Race (held annually on Columbus Day) developed with input from Town staff and included in the Town Administrator's Report (available on the Town website). Important information was gathered from the session and will be discussed.

Parking. Chief Mello's observations on parking issues were reviewed, including satellite parking. Event onlookers parked wherever possible and did not follow instructions for satellite parking. There was significant congestion and the East Ferry parking lot filled early with no turnover throughout the day. Local input is needed to determine if the event was detrimental to local businesses on this last day of the season.

EMS Services. JFD provided staffed rescues services without charge during the event. Discussion ensued of whether dedicated EMS services are needed for the (approximate) 500 participants.

Barricades. Last year the Police Department purchased barricades at a cost of \$4,000. Estimated rental cost for barricades is \$800 to \$900 per event, which is a cost savings for Rotary. Significant Town staff time is required for barricade set up and removal, and Rotary volunteer assistance would be helpful.

Police Support. Police details for the event included 8 officers for 56 hours at a total cost of \$2,634.97. An administrative fee of \$269 and payroll taxes of \$420 bring the total cost of services waived by the Town to \$3,324.46. During the Bike Race no additional police officers were available to respond to calls, and if an emergency had arisen, officers would have had to abandon important posts to respond, and due to the speed factor, proper staffing is imperative. Discussion of mutual aid ensued. No injuries associated with the event were reported, a tribute to law enforcement and volunteers. Lengthy discussion ensued.

Traffic. Of the 38 traffic volunteers needed for monitoring key intersections, only 26 locations were properly staffed. The open course of the race has vehicles and bicycles traveling simultaneously, which is a safety concern. Rotary is responsible for providing experienced, responsible volunteers to manage these key intersections, allowing police officers to remain focused on vehicle traffic.

Roads. A Public Works crew dedicated three days to patching roads (mainly state roads) along the course route. The cost of asphalt patch was \$900 and estimated value of the crew and equipment is \$2,000 to \$2,500, for a total of \$3,000 to \$3,500 for this service provided.

Bathroom and Changing Areas. Restrooms provided for participants and onlookers were the restrooms located at the Recreation Center. No port-a-johns were provided for the event, resulting in long lines at the Recreation Center bathrooms. Changing facilities or tents were not provided, resulting in participants changing in vehicles along the course route in commercial and residential areas.

The Recreation Center was provided to Rotary at no fee and was closed for the event from Friday evening through Monday evening. The Recreation Department staff cleaned and restocked bathrooms throughout the weekend at an estimated cost for staffing, supplies, and utilities of \$750 to \$1,000, with lost use of the building estimated at \$1,000 to \$2,000. These are all important issues to factor into future Bike Race and other events.

President Trocki commented the review close to the event is helpful. She is happy there were no injuries and expressed concern for potential injuries due to lack of staffing. The discussion was open to public comments.

Mark Holland of Intrepid Lane, Rotary President, stated his appreciation for the event review and to hear expenses and Town staff involvement related to the event. He hopes that the benefits of the race as well as expenses can be reviewed. Discussion of a survey to determine the economic benefits and impact of the race ensued. This was the 40th annual event, and Rotary takes safety issues very seriously. Prior to the race required police officers, volunteers, and signage were discussed with Chief Mello. A list of pot hole patching locations (approximately 12) was provided to DPW prior to the race as well, and resulting repairs should benefit the community as well as the bike race. He thought there was sufficient restroom facilities for the race and did not notice a backlog. Satellite parking was new this year; and some merchants were closed that day and not impacted. Discussion ensued of areas of concern for future improvement. Mr. Holland stated post race follow-up is ongoing.

President Trocki thanked Mr. Holland for his comments and encouraged continued discussion. Councilor Dickinson noted his concerns with the Bike Race and feels in the future the process should be started sooner.

Chamber of Commerce President Marilyn Munger noted several Chamber members reached out to the Rotary due to the event's impact on local businesses, most notably parking issues (especially at East Ferry), preventing businesses from operating. Changes were implemented this year, but it appeared satellite parking and parking in the East Ferry lot were not enforced. The Chamber is glad to see this is up for discussion and hopes changes can be made for next year for the benefit of all.

Michael Ridge of Spinnakers gave his feedback as business operator at East Ferry. The new traffic pattern only went in one direction from Narragansett Avenue eastward to the water. Coming south from Conanicus Avenue police officers directed traffic back up Conanicus Avenue, with no instructions how to come back to East Ferry, which impacted Ferry customers and employees. It was his observation the East Ferry parking lot was mostly empty later in the day and business owners did not open due to past experiences. It seems that race participants now frequent local businesses on race day rather than the

entire weekend. Mr. Ridge further commented on parking and crosswalk issues. Whatever can be done to improve the event and potential revenues would be appreciated.

Amy Barclay of Simpatico Jamestown expressed her love for the race and its positive impact on the Island and its visitors. Simpatico doesn't open during the day, and if parking spots are needed for race day, please contact them. The event is a great way to showcase the Island and she would love to see it continued.

Rob Packer of Pennsylvania Avenue stated he has done many races and the only issue with the race is space, as there is not enough space downtown in front of the Recreation Center. Another location for the race start and finish could be found. Mr. Packer gave examples, including the Golf Course. Parking is the biggest issue, and busing does not work. A better location for start/finish needs to be found.

Vice President Meagher asked how we should proceed with the discussion. Town Administrator Nota stated the Town is supportive of the event, and he will follow up with Rotary, the Chamber, and other parties over the winter so that details can be worked out for next year.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. ORDINANCES AND APPOINTMENTS AND VACANCIES

President Trocki noted that five interviews were conducted. The Council will continue the interview process and hold off on appointments until all interviews are complete and there is more research on upcoming vacancies and applications. President Trocki expressed gratitude for the applicants who came forward and appreciation for their volunteerism.

X. 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.

A motion was made by Councilor Tighe with second by Vice President Meagher to approve and accept the Consent Agenda. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

President Trocki noted licenses and permits continued to the next agenda.

The Consent Agenda approved consists of the following:

- A) Adoption of Council Minutes
 - 1) October 19, 2015 (regular meeting)
 - 2) October 19, 2015 (executive session)

- B) Minutes from Boards, Commissions and Committees
 - Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee (04/13/2015) 1)
 - 2) Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee (05/11/2015)
 - Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (09/22/2015) 3)
 - 4) Jamestown Planning Commission (08/19/2015)
 - 5) Jamestown Planning Commission (09/02/2015)
 - 6) Jamestown Planning Commission (09/16/2015)
 - 7) Jamestown Traffic Committee (09/15/2015)
 - 8) Jamestown Tree Preservation & Protection Committee (9/15/2015)

Abatements/Addenda of Taxes

- C) Total Abatements: \$87,225.59 Total Addenda: \$82,243.96
 - Properties Abatements to 2015 Tax Roll

Property/Abatement Amount

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a)	Plat 7 Lot 127	\$ 3,700.58
b)	Plat 16 Lot 351	\$ 4,683.06
c)	Plat 9 Lot 662	\$ 3,243.28
d)	Plat 9 Lot 277	\$ 5,078.43
e)	Plat 9 Lot 94	\$ 3,900.49
f)	Plat 3 Lot 396	\$ 2,963.06
g)	Plat 4 Lot 105	\$27,408.33
h)	Plat 7 Lot 39	\$ 8,064.24
i)	Plat 9 Lot 620-I	\$ 3,258.91
i)	Plat 7 Lot 181	\$19,899.68

2) Properties – Addenda to 2015 Tax Roll

Property/Addenda Amount

- Plat 7 Lot 127 \$ 3,700.58 a) Plat 4 Lot 105 \$27,408.33 b) Plat 7 Lot 39 \$ 8,064.24 c) Plat 9 Lot 94 \$ 3,900.49 d) Plat 3 Lot 396 \$ 2,963.06 e) f) Plat 9 Lot 620-I \$ 3,258.91 Plat 9 Lot 277 \$ 5,122.33 g) Plat 7 Lot 181 h) \$19,899.68 i) Plat 16 Lot 351 \$ 4,683.06 \$ 3.243.28
- 3) Motor Vehicles – Abatements to 2015 Tax Roll

Account/Abatement Amount

- #15-0072-80M 29.56 a)
- \$ 312.91 b) #13-1947-53M
- D) Multi-License renewal applications (December 1, 2015-November 30, 2016):
 - Conanicut Yacht Club dba: Conanicut Yacht Club 1)
 - Victualing License a)
 - **Entertainment License**

Plat 9 Lot 662

- ESJ, Inc. dba: Simpatico Jamestown 2)
 - Victualing License a)

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- b) Entertainment License
- E) Victualing License renewal applications:
 - Del's Lemonade & Refreshments, Inc. dba: **Del's of Jamestown** (Mobile Unit)
 - 2) Isis Cakes, LLC dba: **Isis Cakes**
 - 3) KALI, LLC dba: J 22 & The Unmarked Door
 - 4) Lucky Ridge Co., Inc. dba: **Spinnakers Café** (Mobile Unit)
 - 5) Slice of Heaven, Inc. dba: **Slice of Heaven**
 - 6) Tunstall LLC. dba: **Grapes & Gourmet**
 - 7) Yun Chen dba: **Peking Garden**

XI. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER RI CITIES AND TOWNS

Carol Cronin of Narragansett Avenue referenced her letter listed under Communications regarding the Victualing License renewal and operation of "The Shack" at West Ferry. West Ferry area residents have been concerned since The Shack (currently Tallulah's Taco's) opened six years ago. Town Administrator Nota explained the license renewal is not on the agenda as all requirements were not met. Solicitor Ruggiero advised Council members to hold all comments until the license renewal is on the agenda. Councilor Tighe noted some of the issues would be handled by the Town Administrator and Building/Zoning Official. Mr. Nota stated residents' concerns can be reviewed with the operator of Tallulah's to ensure the licensee is adhering to the original terms for granting of the license. Ms. Cronin stated the neighborhood residents are not trying to close the business but to enforce compliance. She expressed appreciation for the opportunity to have this discussion with the Council.

President Trocki stated the Council will work with residents to alleviate the issues. Mr. Nota commented West Ferry is very active and issues arise as a result of the success of the operation.

President Trocki informed Ms. Cronin that any citizen can request to have an item on the agenda or as Scheduled to Adress under Open Forum in addition to submitting a communication item. Ms. Cronin will be informed when the license renewal will be addressed. Councilor Tighe informed Ms. Cronin that parking at West Ferry is on the November 17, 2015 Traffic Committee agenda and encouraged her to attend the meeting to express her concerns.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to accept the Communications, Petitions, Proclamations and Resolutions from other RI Cities and Towns. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.

The Communications, Petitions, and Proclamations and Resolutions from other RI Cities and Towns consists of the following:

- A) Communications
 - 1) Letter of Carol Newman Cronin re: The Shack at West Ferry
 - 2) Letter of Mary and William Brennan re: The Shack at West Ferry
- B) Resolutions and Proclamations of other Rhode Island cities and towns
 - Resolution of the Providence City Council In Support of the Quonset Air Museum
 - 2) Resolution of the East Providence City Council In Support of the Quonset Air Museum
 - 3) Resolution of the Warwick City Council In Support of the Quonset Air Museum

XII. ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER 16, 2015 AGENDA AND FUTURE MEETINGS

A) Upcoming term expirations for Town Boards/Commissions/Committees Council would like updated spreadsheets of current positions, vacancies, and expiring terms for the next interview session. Discussion continued.

Perry Scott of Top O Mark Drive inquired about the license for Isis Cakes. Mr. Scott was informed this is a Victualing License renewal. The operator's name is Isis, and she makes wonderful desserts that are prepared and sold out of Grapes & Gourmet.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Tighe to adjourn. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye. Motion passes by a majority vote in the affirmative.

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Attest:				
Cheryl A. Fe	rnstrom, CM	IC, Tow	n Clerk	

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Copies to: Town Council

Town Administrator Finance Director

Solicitor