**TOWN COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION JOINT PUBLIC HEARING**

**April 6, 2015**

1. **ROLL CALL**

Town Council members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President

Mary E. Meagher, Vice President

Blake A. Dickinson

Michael G. White

Thomas P. Tighe

Planning Commission members present:

Michael Swistak, Chair

Bernd Pfeiffer

Michael Jacquard

Rosemary Enright

Michael Cochran

Michael Smith

Planning Commission members absent:

Duncan Pendlebury, Vice Chair

Others in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator

Christina D. Collins, Finance Director

Lisa Bryer, Town Planner

Cyndee Reppe, Planning Assistant

Cheryl A. Fernstrom, Town Clerk

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting and joint public hearing of the Jamestown Town Council and Planning Commission was called to order at 5:04 p.m. in the Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers of the Jamestown Town Hall at 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown.

1. **PUBLIC HEARING**
2. Proposed amendments to the Jamestown Comprehensive Community Plan to update the Natural and Cultural Resources, Open Space, Agricultural and Recreation, and Circulation elements of the Comprehensive Community Plan to meet the requirements outlined in Rhode Island General Laws Chapter 45-22.2 entitled Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Regulation Act; duly advertised in the *Jamestown Press* March 19th, March 26th, and April 2nd editions
3. This Plan will supersede the Comprehensive Community Plan adopted June 18, 2014 and will be sent to the State of Rhode Island for review and final approval
4. Discussion, consideration, and possible vote to adopt the proposed amendments to the Jamestown Comprehensive Community Plan

Town Council President Trocki noted the Resolution adopting the Comprehensive Plan and revisions made by the State of RI required for final adoption of the Plan.

Town Planner Lisa Bryer noted Town Council approval of the Plan on June 18, 2014, Town Council Resolution No. 2014-08 “Adoption of the Jamestown Comprehensive Community Plan” and the reviewed the stages of the adoption process. Once adopted, the amended Comprehensive Plan was sent to State of RI for review and final approval. The State made minor revisions, including the recommended Natural Hazards section as well as other minor revisions. Though minor, they were significant enough to require another public hearing of the Plan. Revisions were developed. The State has seen the proposed revisions and noted that once adopted by the Council, the State will be ready to approve the Comprehensive Community Plan.

**A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to open the Public Hearing. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.**

**A motion was made by Planning Commissioner Jacquard with second by Commissioner Cochran to open the Public Hearing. Chairman Swistak, Aye; Vice Chairman Pendlebury, absent; Commissioner Pfeiffer, Aye; Commissioner Enright, Aye; Commissioner Jacquard, Aye; Commissioner Cochran, Aye. Commissioner Smith, Aye.**

Public comments. None

Council Comments. None

Planning Commission Comments. None.

**A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Dickinson affirming that Council members find the proposed amendments consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.**

**A motion was Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to certify that a Joint Public Hearing was held with the Jamestown Planning Commission on Monday, April 6, 2015, to receive public input on amendments to the Jamestown Comprehensive Community Plan as approved on June 18, 2014. The Town Council hereby adopts the Jamestown Comprehensive Community Plan, as amended, as a guide for future policy and community development, and the Town Council as amended with all changes discussed during the public hearing process, and the Town Council will forward the Comprehensive Community Plan to the State of Rhode Island pursuant to RI General Laws Chapter 45-22.2 entitled Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Regulation Act. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Enright with second by Commissioner Cochran to adopt the Jamestown Comprehensive Community Plan as amended. Chairman Swistak, Aye; Vice Chairman Pendlebury, Absent; Commissioner Pfeiffer, Aye; Commissioner Enright, Aye; Commissioner Jacquard, Aye; Commissioner Cochran, Aye. Commissioner Smith, Aye.**

**A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Councilor White to close the joint public hearing. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Enright with second by Commissioner Cochran to close the joint public hearing. Chairman Swistak, Aye; Vice Chairman Pendlebury, Absent; Commissioner Pfeiffer, Aye; Commissioner Enright, Aye; Commissioner Jacquard, Aye; Commissioner Cochran, Aye; Commissioner Smith, Aye.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilor Tighe with second by Vice President Meagher to adjourn the special meeting and joint public hearing. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor White, Aye; Councilor Tighe, Aye.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Enright with second by Commissioner Cochran to adjourn the special meeting and joint public hearing. Chairman Swistak, Aye; Vice Chairman Pendlebury, Absent; Commissioner Pfeiffer, Aye; Commissioner Enright, Aye; Commissioner Jacquard, Aye; Commissioner Cochran, Aye. Commissioner Smith, Aye.**

The special meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Attest:

Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Town Clerk

Copies to: Town Council (5)

 Town Administrator

 Finance Director

 Town Solicitor