# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

**June 19, 2017**

# ROLL CALL

Town Council Members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President

Michael G. White, Vice President

Blake A. Dickinson

Mary E. Meagher

Eugene B. Mihaly

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator

Christina D. Collins, Finance Director

Michael C. Gray, Public Works Director

Lisa W. Bryer, Town Planner

Andrew J. Wade, Parks and Recreation Director

Police Chief Edward A. Mello

Peter D. Ruggiero, Town Solicitor

Denise Jennings, Water Clerk

Cheryl A. Fernstrom, Town Clerk

# CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Trocki called the regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:37 p.m. in the Jamestown Town Hall Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue, and Councilor Dickinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# TOWN COUNCIL SITTING AS THE BOARD OF

# WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting convened at 6:38 p.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m. See Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

## Presentation

### Jamestown Police Immersion Program Certificate Presentation: Police Chief Edward A. Mello

Chief Mello acknowledged the twelve (12) participants in the Immersion Program – Mike Abbood, Teresa Abbood, Steve Baker, Prim Bullock, Joan Faella, Lynn Paul, Sam Pease, Demetrius Raterron, Jerry Scott, Win Reed, Bill Reppe, and Rod Smith. They all did a remarkable job.

Chief Mello gave an overview of the eight-week program and how it differed from the traditional Citizen Police Academy training programs, focusing on the resources police officers have available and exposing participants to training scenarios involving non-compliant people and how to react. Participants came out of the program with a better appreciation for the work performed by police departments, and everyone had a good time as well. (Sergeant Pinocchi distributed certificates).

Participant Joan Faella of Columbia Lane remarked the Immersion Program provided a new perspective on what our police officers face every day. We learned a great deal about the operation of our Department, including firearms safety using the firearms training simulator and supervised activities at the Tiverton Rod and Gun Club – it was intense. Our police officers walk towards danger while we walk away from it, and they deserve our community’s support and respect. All participants appreciate the professionalism and dedication to duty demonstrated by the members of the Jamestown Police Department, and we thank them for the opportunity to participate in the program. [Applause]

Jerry Scott of Walcott Avenue expressed his respect for the Jamestown Police Department. Most impressions of police officers are negative, as we don’t have interactions with them. We found every officer wonderful and the kind of people we would like to have as friends and neighbors. This is a reason to put more emphasis on affordable housing so these people can be our friends and neighbors. [Applause]

Mike Abbood of Middle Street stated he and wife Teresa took part in the Immersion Program and until now did not have much interaction with the Police Department. We are very fortunate to have the quality leadership of Chief Mello and support of Lieutenant Denault, Sergeant Pinocchi, Sergeant Esposito, Detective Carlino and Sergeant Hopkins. The passion and caring of each officer was incredible. There is a lack of respect for law enforcement in this country, and when you see what they go through in their duties you realize the dangers they face daily. They allow us to live peacefully on our Island. He implores every citizen to experience what they went through. [Applause]

President Trocki thanked the participants for sharing their stories. We can all learn a lesson here to support and respect our officers who work 24/7 to protect us. As a community we need to thank our police officers when we see them for the great job they are doing. President Trocki thanked the police officers who were part of the Immersion Program.

# PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to convene as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board and open the Public Hearing at 7:17 p.m. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## **TOWN COUNCIL SITTING AS THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSING BOARD**

### Pursuant to Title 3 Chapter 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island 1956 and as amended the following license application has been received under said Act for June 23, 2017:

**CLASS F (NON-PROFIT)**

### Jamestown Historical Society

92 Narragansett Avenue

P. O. Box 156

Jamestown, RI 02835

President Trocki noted the Class F (NON-PROFIT) Liquor License application for the Museum Opening Reception on Friday, June 23rd. Discussion ensued of the museum property ownership. Solicitor Ruggiero explained the Code of Ordinances prohibits the consumption of alcohol in Town buildings. The Town owns the building and leases it to the Historical Society, the same as they do with the golf course, which differs from the prohibition outlined in the Code. Pursuant to Sec. 38-91 b) of the Code of Ordinances, the Town Council may waive that prohibition by vote.

#### Approval of the **CLASS F (NON-PROFIT) LIQUOR LICENSE;** review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

#### Request for waiver of Class F (Non-Profit) Liquor License Fee ($15.00); review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to approve the Class F Liquor License recognizing the exemption from Code of Ordinances Sec. 38-91 b) for consumption of alcohol in a public place and waive the license fee. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

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

## One Day Event/Entertainment License Application; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### Applicant: Jamestown Historical Society

Event: Jamestown Historical Society Museum Opening Reception

Date: June 23, 2017

Location: Jamestown Historical Society Museum

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Mihaly to approve the One Day Event License. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## Victualing License Application (New); review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### Applicant: Live & Learn LLC dba: Live & Learn LLC

Address: 34 Narragansett Avenue

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Mihaly to approve the new Victualing License. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## Holiday License Application (New); review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### Applicant: Ernie Savastano dba: Vin Oliva

Address: 47 Conanicus Avenue

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Mihaly to approve the new Holiday License application. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

# OPEN FORUM

## Scheduled to address. None.

## Non-Scheduled to address. None.

# COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATOR, SOLICITOR, COMMISSION/COMMITTEE COMMENTS & REPORTS

## Town Administrator’s Report: Andrew E. Nota

Town Administrator Nota reports on the State budget that passed the House and needs Senate approval. Speaker Mattiello proposed a six-year phase-out of the car tax, which has a good chance of passing. Jamestown has an automobile tax rate of $14.42 per $1,000 of valuation and will not benefit as much as other communities from this tax relief program, which proposes to reimburse the Town fully for lost funding. Presently vehicles are taxed at 100% of value and this will drop to 95%; vehicles 15 years or older will be exempt from the tax roll, realizing increased revenue of $35,000 to $50,000. We are unsure of the future and whether it will continue, as the car tax provides revenue in the amount of $220,000,000 statewide. Town Administrator Nota directed any further questions to Tax Assessor Ken Gray for more information.

Town Administrator Nota stated RIDEM is keeping the Town informed on the Humpback whale that washed up at Beavertail State Park. Various alternatives are being evaluated and we await further information.

President Trocki acknowledged members of the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association in attendance.

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Mihaly to address Communication 2) as the next agenda item. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President white, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## Communications

### Letter of Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association requesting to address the Town Council re: Capital Campaign for a perpetual endowment fund

President Trocki noted the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association is here to address their communication and make a presentation. As this is under Communications the Council can take it under advisement but cannot act on it at this time.

Nicole Contino of Whittier Road, BLMA Endowment Fundraising Committee Member, addressed the Council and gave an overview of the endowment fund campaign that runs through 2017 for restoration of the six historic buildings that comprise the 268 year old Lighthouse, designated a National Historic Site in 1977. BLMA Member James Butterick has challenged donors by offering to match dollar-for-dollar up to $500,000 toward the $1,000,000 endowment fund goal. To date, including Mr. Butterick’s matching funds, over $200,000 has been raised. In 2009 the Town of Jamestown donated $25,000 to the non-profit organization, and they are requesting a donation of $25,000 to the 2017 endowment fund campaign.

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to put this on the next agenda. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

* 1. Voter Initiative, Non-Binding Resolution, Ordinance, or All-day Referendum regarding recreational target shooting and firearms discharge in the Town of Jamestown; review, discussion, and/or potential action and/or vote, continued from 5/22/2017 (Councilor Dickinson)

Councilor Dickinson stated he brought this item forward after the April 10th ordinance amendment public hearing for Chapter 38 Sec. 38-111 through Sec. 38-115 as many residents expressed interest in having the Town seek a wider audience on the issue. The original intention was to get the question on the August 22nd special election ballot. He would like feedback from the community and hopes Council members reviewed the draft non-binding resolution. Councilor Dickinson read the resolution and asked the Council to consider moving ahead with this at some time.

Councilor Mihaly stated he finds this approach puzzling. Direct democracy is built around decisions made by elected persons, and this was done by a vote of the Town Council. The Charter permits, in the case of strong public opinion, a referendum procedure. Rather than a non-binding poll, he would urge interested parties to organize a petition for a referendum.

Councilor Dickinson stated his intention is to exercise that Charter provision.

Vice President White stated his agreement with Councilor Mihaly. He believes if put to a vote the ban would prevail. The Council made a decision as a representative government, it is not necessary to have the extra step, and it is his advice to proceed with the referendum provision and skip the non-binding resolution.

Councilor Meagher gets the political aspect of this, and politics is the conversation the community has as it tries to make rules on how we live and work together. What is requested is a popularity poll and she believes this is a waste of time, energy and resources. Those of us who voted the way we did know we upset some people, including people we admire, who are the backbone of this Town.

Councilor Dickinson stated he was following through on this process as discussed at the last meeting. When introduced, he was trying to meet a deadline, and he knew if he asked for a referendum it would be denied.

Councilor Meagher stated this went on the May 22nd special meeting agenda, there was nothing to vote on, and Councilor Dickinson was trying to make a timeframe. We make difficult decisions and disappoint people. If you care about something you must advocate for it and do the work it takes to get it on an agenda. She suggested rather than asking for a popularity poll, put alternatives before the Council. The only person who presented an alternative to a ban was the Town Administrator.

Councilor Dickinson stated he politely disagrees. There was a sub-committee and lots of community input.

Councilor Meagher asked Councilor Dickinson to come forward with an alternative amendment or ordinance prior to going to a referendum. Her issues were and still are safety and peaceful enjoyment of one’s property.

Councilor Dickinson stated the Charter gives citizens the opportunity to initiate an all-day referendum, and he agrees.

President Trocki stated she agrees with statements by Gene, Mary, and Mike. This was a hard decision not taken lightly and an accumulation of many public hearings, agendas, and multiple meetings with many people commenting. The vote was a ban or a status quo, and ultimately a majority vote was 3 to 2 for a ban. All points were taken into consideration, and she hopes people respect the process outlined in the Charter. If you want to go forward with signatures of 10% of the voters, go ahead. It is time to leave this and move on.

* 1. Charter Review Committee suggestion for implementation of a paper ballot or electronic ballot to approve the Town, School, and Combined Budgets and any Warrant item exceeding fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), whether through a Financial Town Meeting or through an all-day Referendum; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote (Councilor Dickinson)

Councilor Dickinson reviews the Charter Review Committee’s recommendation. The CRC determined a change was needed, did not specify it, left it up to the Council, but recommended change with either a paper ballot or electronic ballot at an FTM or all-day referendum.

Councilor Meagher stated she was a non-voting Liaison Member of the CRC, Member Pagano pushed for this issue, and the intention was to have a general meeting with discussion when more citizens were available. The FTM itself and conduct of the FTM are the Moderator’s. Solicitor Ruggiero stated there could be a Charter provision for a secret ballot or an all-day referendum conducted by the Board of Canvassers. Charter amendments must be approved by the electorate at an FTM or the next primary or general election, which is September and November of 2018, and ratified by the General Assembly.

Councilor Mihaly asked what is the problem related to this solution. The process we have now is the budget is created by the Town Administrator, nine meetings this year, reviewed by the public, published in the *Jamestown Press* weeks in advance, the Town Administrator is available to answer questions, and then we have the FTM which can be done by vote or paper ballot. We have a good system and there is nothing wrong with the process. Where is the problem?

Vice President White noted 34 people voted for the secret ballot, 48 people voted against the budget, and it was successful. Town meetings are the purest form of public meeting there is, and that is what a democracy is. After that comes a representative democracy. He is nervous that 160 people can make that decision. The people who voted at the FTM made the decision on the budget.

Councilor Dickinson noted the Council appointed the CRC and they made a unanimous recommendation to the Council, and he is asking them to act on it or reject it.

CRC member John Pagano of Seaside Drive stated no one wants to get rid of the FTM. The anticipation was the Council would have the FTM as usual and present the budget, and on Tuesday there would be an all-day referendum to allow all citizens to vote on the budget, not just 135.

President Trocki commented up to 700 people have showed up at prior the FTM’s. If it is important to people they will come to vote or attend meetings to voice their opinions.

Mr. Pagano stated it is 2017 and it is time for an alternative.

Councilor Meagher noted it was anticipated we would have a larger meeting with CRC members in attendance to voice their opinions.

Councilor Mihaly noted Mr. Pagano’s assumption is that everybody votes at a referendum, but that’s not what happens.

Rosemary Woodside of Skysail Court agreed with Mr. Pagano. Many people cannot be present for the FTM, and an all-day referendum with electronic voting is more inclusive.

Discussion ensued of the capacity of the School gymnasium and whether it is suitable for the number of voters. Up to 800 voters can be accommodated in the School gymnasium. If more showed up, we can accommodate them in another manner.

Melody Drnach of Union Street asked if the budget is rejected, what happens? Do we continue with another referendum until a budget is adopted? What is the cost for a referendum and a second one, and even another one?

Vice President White commented we have had some great discussions, and perhaps we can come up with a solution. He likes the idea of having a final budget meeting. Rather than Council voting on it here, have it at the School gym as a wrap-up meeting with a decision in front of the people, and then let the people vote.

Gary Girard of Seaside Drive stated our elections are private. Many are intimidated voting in front of their neighbors and would like the privacy of a referendum vote.

President Trocki stated people were not intimidated at the FTM and had no problem voicing their vote.

Councilor Meagher noted the FTM is not the Council’s meeting it is the Moderator’s meeting and the members of that meeting. If people choose a secret ballot it will happen.

Councilor Dickinson stated it was his intention to put this on the radar for discussion and to move on it. There is lot of work to be done to move forward on it.

President Trocki stated she feels like we are being pressured to have a vote on this. Councilor Dickinson stated either we move it or remove it from the agenda.

President Trocki stated our system is inclusive and we work hard as elected officials. We have attended numerous meetings since January, we hold all meetings in a public setting for public comment, and then to state we are not inclusive is somewhat offensive. If it is important, you can make arrangements to be there. Some years the public shows up because it is important, sometimes they don’t as the budget is not controversial, and we have mechanisms for a paper ballot. It is not broken in her opinion and this is the most democratic form of government. In RI 14 municipalities have FTM’s, and in many others it is just the Council who determines the budget. We prepare the budget then publish it and have it before the public for review and vote, and she is proud of the process where we all come out one evening in June. When we can no longer hold the assembly in the gym, we can rethink it; this is a solution looking for a problem.

Councilor Dickinson stated we need to refocus why it was brought up, as the CRC made a recommendation, and he is asking Council to act on it.

Councilor Meagher read the CRC recommendation, and she is trying to follow that by putting this on an agenda where all can come to weigh in.

Councilor Mihaly would like this on a future agenda for review and discussion.

Gary Girard of Seaside Drive appreciates the work of the Council. His point is there is no privacy and people want privacy.

Bill Munger of Cole Street stated there were three people who asked why he voted for a paper ballot. He urged Council to give consideration and move forward in a democratic manner. He doesn’t see the down side of going to a secret ballot. People work a different schedule today and we need to have the conversation to determine what works.

Dennis Webster of Mount Hope Avenue stated the FTM works fine the way it is. Jamestown is not destined to grow too much bigger than it is and we should keep this in place.

Carol Nelson-Lee of Buoy Street, Board of Canvassers Chair, stated the FTM is an election and we take this very seriously. We spend a lot of time examining how to make it work efficiently. We have improved the system for a paper ballot and now have two ballot boxes, used bracelets instead of cards, and continually review our meetings to develop new and more efficient procedures in order to create opportunity for everyone to vote in a timely manner.

President Trocki commented on the Canvassers efforts and that the FTM did run smoothly.

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Mihaly to schedule a special meeting to have this discussion with the Moderator and CRC members in attendance. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

* 1. Upcoming Meetings and Sessions – dates and times

### Town Council Meeting dates for July and August; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### President Trocki stated the Council would like to schedule one meeting in July and one in August. Discussion ensued of meeting dates, and July 17th and August 21st would be the meeting dates, and the Charter discussion will be in early September, perhaps prior to the regular meeting. This will be determined at an upcoming meeting.

### President Trocki noted the Farmers Market started today, and she encourages citizens to attend.

### **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

## Award of Bid: Design Services for Lawn Avenue Recreation Complex to Weston & Sampson of Worcester, MA for an amount not to exceed $38,000.00 as bid as recommended by Parks and Recreation Director Andrew J. Wade; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Parks and Recreation Director Wade reviewed the process that began January 3rd with an RFQ, interviews for the top three responders, review of previous experience and knowledge, determination of the best qualified candidate, and recommendation the bid award go to Weston & Samson, the lowest bidder, to perform the design services.

President Trocki thanked the committee of Director Wade, Planner Lisa Bryer, and Public Works Director Michael Gray for their work on the grant, design services project, and bid process.

**A motion was made by Councilor Mihaly with second by Councilor Meagher to award the bid to Weston & Sampson for $38,000.00. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## Jamestown Traffic Committee: Establish term ending dates and revise Committee Charge; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote (Councilor Meagher)

Councilor Meagher stated she is in favor of the amendments as proposed for the Committee Charge and term expiration dates.

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Mihaly to have this page join all the other pages in our book and these dates be adopted. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## Low Speed Vehicles on Town roads, as requested by William Munger and referred to the Council by the Jamestown Traffic Committee; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Bill Munger of Cole Street, Traffic Committee Member, presented examples of Low Speed Vehicle ordinances. He is here to support the option for Jamestowners to get around town. It would increase access to the village, ROW’s, the Shores and other areas as vehicles take up less space than full size vehicles. Low speed vehicles typically don’t exceed 35 mph, are mostly electrically charged, need to be registered and inspected, and have a good safety record. Ten years ago there were 5,000 vehicles in use, and now there over 60,000. There could be designated parking spaces for low speed vehicles. Enabling legislation would be required, and if passed, the option is there. Estimated cost for the vehicles is approximately $3,000 to $5,000.

Police Chief Mello noted enabling legislation would be required and DMV would have to create a registration for this type of vehicle on town roads and state roads, as this class does not currently exist in DMV regulations and State law. He is not aware of any action on the State level. It is not a new concept, but this type of vehicle is usually proposed for planned communities with different road systems. Chief Mello commented on the limitations of travel to immediate neighborhoods and the village and rules, regulations, and designated parking spaces that would have to be developed. Presently they are only allowed on Prudence Island. Discussion ensued.

Town Administrator Nota commented this is an interesting concept for getting around town. Some of the challenges would involve bicycles, increased vehicles and speed during summer months, and narrow roads.

Mr. Munger stated golf carts are not always considered low speed vehicles, as they don’t usually exceed 10 mph.

Councilor Mihaly commented on potential safety issues, as pedestrians can’t hear them. President Trocki directed Mr. Munger to garner community support and bring it back to Council. It is an interesting concept, but there are serious concerns. Mr. Munger was directed to also contact Representative Deb Ruggiero.

Charlotte Zarlengo of Seaside Drive commented she cannot envision driving up Frigate Street and having a low speed vehicle coming over the hill.

Mr. Munger was thanked for addressing the issue.

## Jamestown Transfer Station annual sticker price increase from $125.00 to $150.00 annually, as recommended by Public Works Director Michael C. Gray; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Public Works Director Gray stated the current sticker price does not meet the costs for operation of the Transfer Station, and the price increase would help to offset costs associated with the operation of the Transfer Station.

**A motion was made by Vice President White with second by Councilor Mihaly to increase the Transfer Station sticker fee to $150.00. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

## Marijuana Cultivation and Sales: Adoption of a Resolution for a Temporary Moratorium on applications and permitting for marijuana cultivation, processing, distribution and sales, as recommended by the Jamestown Planning Commission; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### Resolution No. 2017-13 “Establishing a Temporary Moratorium on Applications and Permitting for Marijuana Cultivation, Processing, Distribution and Sales”

**A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Councilor Mihaly to waive reading of the Resolution.**

Discussion. Planner Lisa Bryer explained the necessity for the Moratorium as the Town does not have proper wording in our ordinances to regulate this type of operation. The Moratorium would give the Planning Commission time to develop a proper ordinance and protect the Town should the General Assembly pass legislation in the current session. President Trocki noted this covers cultivation and growing of marijuana and would not affect any medical marijuana licenses in Jamestown.

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

**A motion was made by Vice President White with second by Councilor Meagher to approve Resolution No. 2017-13. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

# X. ORDINANCES AND APPOINTMENTS AND VACANCIES

## Appointments, Vacancies and Expiring Terms; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee (Three vacancies with three-year term ending dates of May 31, 2020 and One vacancy with an unexpired three-year term ending date of May 31, 2018); duly advertised

#### Letter of interest for reappointment

##### Jerome Scott

#### Letters of interest for appointment

##### Job Toll

##### Valerie Malloy

##### Donna Andreozzi

##### William Piva

#### Letters of resignation

##### William Dawson

##### William Reardon

### Jamestown Conservation Commission (One vacancy with a three-year unexpired term ending date of December 31, 2017)

#### Letter of resignation

##### Maureen Coleman

#### Letter of interest for appointment

##### Kenneth Schadegg

### Jamestown Fire Department Compensation Committee – Fire Department Representative (One vacancy with a three-year term ending date of May 31, 2020); duly advertised

#### Letter of interest for reappointment

##### Polly Bullock

### Jamestown Housing Authority (One vacancy with an unexpired five-year term ending date of December 31, 2018

#### Letter of resignation

##### Jane Carroll

### Jamestown Police Pension Plan Committee (One vacancy with a three-year term ending date of May 31, 2017)

#### Letter of interest for reappointment

##### Anthony Antine

### Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (One vacancy with a three-year term ending date of December 31, 2019); duly advertised; no applicants

Discussion ensued of conducting interviews for vacancies, as there are more applicants than vacancies. The Clerk will schedule interviews for vacancies as needed.

**A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson to reappoint Jerry Scott to the Affordable Housing Committee and appoint Valerie Molloy and Bill Piva to the Affordable Housing Committee.**

Councilor Dickinson withdrew his motion. Interviews will be scheduled by the Clerk.

**A motion was made by Councilor Mihaly with second by Councilor Meagher to reappoint Polly Bullock to the Fire Department Compensation Committee. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

A letter of thanks will be sent to Jane Carroll for her time and services on the Housing Authority, to Maureen Coleman for her time and services on the Conservation Commission, and to William Dawson and William Reardon for their time and services on the Affordable Housing Committee.

**A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Councilor Meagher to reappoint Tony Antine to the Police Pension Plan Committee.** **President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

There is still a vacancy on the Tree Committee.

**XI. 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 Dickinson with second by Vice President White to approve and accept the Consent Agenda. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

The Consent Agenda approved consists of the following:

## Adoption of Council Minutes

### May 15, 2017 (work session)

### May 15, 2017 (regular meeting)

### May 22, 2017 (special meeting)

### May 22, 2017 (executive session)

### June 5, 2017 (Financial Town Meeting)

## Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees

### Jamestown Philomenian Library Board of Trustees (04/11/2017)

### Jamestown Library Renovation Building Committee (02/07/2017)

### Jamestown Library Renovation Building Committee (02/21/2017)

### Jamestown Zoning Board of Review (04/25/2017)

### Jamestown Zoning Board of Review (05/23/2017)

## CRMC Notices

### June 2017 Calendar

## Abutter Notifications

### Town of Jamestown as an abutter - Plat 5 Lot 358: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING JUNE 27, 2017 AT THE JAMESTOWN TOWN HALL, 93 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE, JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND AT **7**:00 P.M. UPON THE FOLLOWING: Application of Richard Ventrone, whose property is located at 12 Nautilus St., and further identified as Assessor’s Plat 5, Lot 305 for a variance from Article 3, Section 302 (District Dimensional Regulations) to construct a 20 x 20 one story detached garage with a north & east setback of 5 ft. where 10 ft. is required. Said property is located in a R40 zone and contains 7,666 sq. ft.

### Town of Jamestown/Friends Burying Ground as an abutter - Plat 5, Lot 424: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING JUNE 27, 2017 AT THE JAMESTOWN TOWN HALL, 93 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE, JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND AT **7**:00 P.M. UPON THE FOLLOWING: Application of Richard Ventrone, whose property is located at 12 Nautilus St., and further identified as Assessor’s Plat 5, Lot 305 for a variance from Article 3, Section 302 (District Dimensional Regulations) to construct a 20 x 20 one story detached garage with a north & east setback of 5 ft. where 10 ft. is required. Said property is located in a R40 zone and contains 7,666 sq. ft.

## Abatements/Addenda of Taxes

## Total Abatements: $47,461.28; Total Addenda: $47,279.99

### Real Property/Motor Vehicle/Tangible Abatements to 2016 Tax Roll

**Account/Abatement Amount**

#### 03-1522-28 $ 3,138.83

#### 07-0550-30 $ 2,078.34

#### 13-1395-10 $ 2,868.56

#### 14-0393-40 $12,815.37

#### 16-0045-00 $24,422.38

#### 19-1521-10 $ 181.29

#### 23-1045-12 $ 1,956.51

### Real Property/Motor Vehicle/Tangible Addenda to 2016 Tax Roll

**Account/Addenda Amount**

#### 04-0343-95 $12,815.37

#### 07-0550-30 $ 2,868.56

#### 12-0846-74 $ 2,078.34

#### 16-0755-00 $24,422.38

#### 19-0158-75 $ 1,956.51

#### 19-0965-16 $ 3,138.83

## One Day Event/Entertainment License

### Applicant: Alexandra Kent

### Event: Jamestown Farmers Market

### Dates: 6/19, 6/26, 7/03, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28 and 9/4/2017

### Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

### Applicant: Judy K. Beckman

### Event: Beckman-Angelosanto Wedding

Date: June 24, 2017

Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

### Applicant: Jamestown Baseball Association

### Event: Cal Ripken 10 Year Old State Tournament

Date: June 24, 2017 – June 29, 2017

Location: Lawn Avenue Field

### Applicant: Nathan Seelig

Event: Seelig Wedding

Date: July 1, 2017

Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

### Applicant: Gregg Charest dba: The Rocket Hogs

Event: Independence Day Fireworks

Date: July 2, 2017; rain date July 7, 2017

Location: East Ferry (off barge)

### Applicant: Jessica Roberts

Event: Roberts-Barin Wedding

Date: July 9, 2017

Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

### Applicant: Conanicut Island Art Association

Event: CIAA Annual Members Show

Date: July 17, 2017 – July 24, 2017

Location: Jamestown Recreation Center

## One Day Peddler License Application

Applicant: Chopmist Charlie’s

Event: Colinslaw.org Annual Fundraiser

Date: June 25, 2017

Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

## Finance Director’s Report

Independence Day Fireworks are Sunday, July 2nd, with a rain date of July 7th.

**XII. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER RHODE ISLAND CITIES AND TOWNS**

**A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to receive the Communications, noting Communication 2) was discussed earlier. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

The Communications, Petitions and Proclamations accepted consists of the following:

## Communications

### Memorandum of Jamestown Conservation Commission re: Advisory review of Section 82-308 variance request for Earley, Plat 1 Lot 324

### Letter of Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association requesting to address the Town Council re: Capital Campaign for a perpetual endowment fund

### Letter of Robert Roach III re: “shooting ban” ordinance (Chapter 38, Article V. Sec. 38-113), its adoption and advertising, and suggestion for a compromise

### Letter of Burrillville Town Council President John Pacheco requesting support for Bills H 6051 and S 0769 that would change the Energy Facility Siting Act

### Letter of Alison Bogle and Arthur Milnes requesting a Proclamation declaring July 1, 2017 as “Sir John A. McDonald Day” commemorating Canada’s 150th Birthday for inclusion in the Canada Day 150 time capsule

### Memorandum of Attorney General Peter F. Kilmartin announcing annual Open Government Summit on July 28, 2017 at Roger Williams University School of Law

### Letter of the Exeter Town Council Opposing House Bill 6172 “An Act Relating to Agriculture and Forestry-Right to Farm”

### Letter of Verizon Regional Director for Government Affairs Michele Cinquegrano announcing National Grid and Verizon Agreement updating procedures for performing utility pole work, effective June 1, 2017

## Resolutions and Proclamations from other Rhode Island Cities and Towns; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

### Resolution of the Burrillville Town Council Opposing Bills H 5475 and S 0481 Acts Relating to Cities and Towns – Subdivision of Land

# XIII. AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AND FUTURE MEETINGS

## Plastic Bag Ban Presentation (July)

## Board/Commission/Committee and Department Reports (July)

## Library MOU – Council discussion in Executive Session (July)

## Financial Town Meeting Rules and Procedures

## Councilor Meagher is comfortable with the FTM discussion in September.

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**XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

## Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Collective Bargaining (IBPO Union Contract tentative agreement); review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote in executive session and/or open session

## Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Potential Litigation (RITBA solar array project); review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote in executive session and/or open session

**A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Vice President White to enter into Executive Session at 9:19 p.m. pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Collective Bargaining and RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Potential Litigation.**

**Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Collective Bargaining and RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Potential Litigation** **the following vote was taken: President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

The Town Council reconvened the regular meeting at 9:45 p.m. President Trocki announced that Council voted in Executive Session to approve the IBPO Union tentative contract.

**A motion was made by Vice President White with second by Councilor Meagher to seal the Minutes of the executive session. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Vice President White with second by Councilor Mihaly to adjourn. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.**

The Jamestown Town Council adjourned the regular meeting at 9:46 p.m.

Attest:

Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Town Clerk

Copies to: Town Council

Town Administrator

Finance Director

Town Solicitor