

#### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

# Jamestown Town Hall Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers 93 Narragansett Avenue Monday, April 2, 2018 7:00 PM

The public is welcome to participate in this Town Council meeting. Open Forum offers citizens the opportunity to clarify an item on the agenda, address items not on the agenda, or comment on a communication or Consent Agenda item. Citizens are welcome to speak to the subject of a Public Hearing, and are allowed to speak at the discretion of the Council President or a majority of Councilors present, or at other times during the meeting, in particular during New or Unfinished Business.

Anyone wishing to speak should use the microphone at the front of the room, stating their name and address for the record; comments must be addressed to the Council, not the audience. It is the Town Council's hope that citizens and Councilors alike will be respectful of each other's right to speak, tolerant of different points of view, and mindful of everyone's time.

Attachments for items on this meeting agenda are available to the public on the Town website at: <a href="http://www.jamestownri.gov/town-government/town-council/town-council-meetings-minutes/2018-meetings-minutes/2018-meetings">http://www.jamestownri.gov/town-government/town-council/town-council-meetings-minutes/2018-meetings</a>

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. TOWN COUNCIL SITTING AS THE BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS
- IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS
  - A) Presentation
  - B) Resolutions and Proclamations
    - 1) No. 2018-06 Arbor Day in Jamestown; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

#### V. 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.

#### VI. 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 request to address
- B) Non-scheduled request to address

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

- A) Town Administrator's Report: Andrew E. Nota
  - 1) FY 2019 Budget
  - 2) RITBA spring and summer projects
  - 3) Aquaculture projects update
  - 4) Legislative update

#### VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

For past discussion documentation, please visit <a href="http://www.jamestownri.gov/town-government/town-council/town-council-meetings-minutes/2017-meetings-minutes/2017-meetings-minutes/2017-meetings">http://www.jamestownri.gov/town-government/town-council/town-council-meetings-minutes/2017-meetings-minutes/2017-meetings</a>

- A) Jamestown Philomenian Library Building Renovation Project Revised Scope of the Library Building Renovation Design, continued from the March 19, 2018 Town Council Meeting
  - 1) Approval of the Revised Scope of the Library Building Renovation Design; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 2) Approval for the Placement of a resolution or question on a future Financial Town Meeting Warrant, Special Election Ballot or General Election Ballot and/or request for General Assembly passage of special bond legislation for the Library Building Renovation Project; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
- B) Jamestown Golf Course Club House Replacement Project, continued from the March 19, 2018 Town Council Meeting
  - 1) Approval for the Placement of a resolution or question on a future Financial Town Meeting Warrant, Special Election Ballot or General Election Ballot and/or request for General Assembly passage of special bond legislation for the Golf Course Club House Replacement; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
- C) Jamestown School Committee proposed School Construction Project, continued from the March 19, 2018 Town Council Meeting
  - Town Council Support for General Assembly enabling legislation for a General Obligation Bond in the amount of \$5.9 million for the proposed school construction, as requested by the Jamestown School Committee; discussion of placement of a resolution or question on a special or general election ballot for the school construction project and/or request for General Assembly passage of special bond legislation; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
- D) Town Council approval for the placement of bond referendum(a) for financing of the Library Building Renovation Project, Jamestown Golf Course Club House Replacement Project, and Jamestown School Committee proposed School Construction Project either as a combined Jamestown Infrastructure Project bond or as separate individual resolutions or questions for bonds on a Special Election Ballot or General Election

Ballot and/or request(s) for General Assembly passage of special bond legislation; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

- E) Upcoming Meetings and Sessions dates and times
  - 1) Schedule for budget hearings; review and discussion

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Award of Bid: Statistical Revaluation Services as of December 31, 2018 to Vision Government Solutions, Inc. (VGSI) for an amount not to exceed \$51,000 as bid as recommended by Tax Assessor Christine Brochu; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
- B) Resolution of the Charlestown Town Council in Opposition to the Proposed Inclusion of the North Atlantic Region in the 2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

#### X. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES AND EXPIRING TERMS

- A) Appointments, Vacancies, and Expiring Terms; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 1) Jamestown Juvenile Hearing Board Alternate (One vacancy with an unexpired two-year term ending date of December 31, 2018)
    - a) Letter of resignation
      - i) Susan Heffner

#### 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) Adoption of Town Council Minutes
  - 1) March 6, 2018 (budget work session)
  - 2) March 8, 2018 (budget work session)
  - 3) March 15, 2018 (budget work session)
  - 4) March 19, 2018 (regular meeting)
  - 5) March 19, 2018 (executive session)
  - 6) March 26, 2018 (special meeting)
  - 7) March 28, 2018 (budget work session)
- B) Minutes of Town Boards/Commissions/Committees
  - 1) Jamestown Zoning Board of Review (02/27/2018)
- C) Abutter Notifications: Notice is hereby given that the Jamestown Zoning Board of Review will hold a Public Hearing April 24, 2018 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, RI at 7:00 PM upon the following:
  - 1) Application of A. Louis Mariorenzi, whose property is located at 216 East Shore Rd., and further identified as Assessor's Plat 7, Lot 97 for a variance from Article 3, Section 82-302 Table 3-2 Accessory Buildings Front yard setback & 82-311 max size of accessory

- building to construct 50'x 20' garage addition with a 20' front yard setback where 40' is required and resulting in an accessory structure of 3970 sq. ft. where 1200 is allowed. Said property is located in a R80 zone and contains 3.13 acres.
- 2) Application of Mains'l Properties, LLC, whose property is located at 244 & 252 Narragansett Ave., and further identified as Assessor's Plat 8, Lots 2 & 463 for a variance from Article 6, Section 82-607, Article 7, Section 82-705, and Article 3, Section 82-302 Table 3-2 to change lot line resulting in relief of rear yard setback of 1.4' on lot 683 housing boat yard boat barn and increase lot coverage by 6%. Construct 14'x 22'6" sunroom on lot 2 with 15' front setback where 30' is required. Said property is located in a CW zone and contains 17590 sq. ft., lot 2 6255 sf., lot 463 11,335 sf.

#### D) CRMC Notices

- 1) Semi-Monthly Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. for hearing of application 2014-12-056 Antonio and Joseph Pinheiro to modify aquaculture assent to include floating 595 bottom cages on their two-acre site for a potential maximum of 710 floating cages and to allow bottom planting of oysters on site.
- E) One Day Event/Entertainment License Application
  - 1) Applicant: Arnold Zweir Post 22 American Legion & VFW Post 9447

Event: American Legion/VFW Events

Date: May 28, July 4, August 13, October 8, November 11 &

December 7, 2018; January 15, 2019

Locations: Watson Avenue, North Road, Narragansett Avenue, &

Veterans Memorial Square

2) Applicant: DJ Car Guy Productions, LLC

Event: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Classics by the Sea Scenic Car Show

Date: July 15, 2018 Location: Fort Getty

3) Applicant: Conanicut Island Art Association

Event: CIAA Annual Members Show

Date: July 17, 2018 Location: Recreation Center

4) Applicant: Conanicut Island Art Association

Event: Arts and Craft Show
Date: August 4, 2018
Location: Recreation Center

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

#### A) Communications

1) Letter of the League of Women Voters of RI advocating for inperson early voting in RI beginning in 2019 and requesting Town Council adoption of a Resolution supporting House Bill 7501 and Senate Bill 2419

- B) Proclamations and Resolutions of other Rhode Island cities and towns
  - 1) Resolution of the Barrington Town Council in Opposition to H7198 and H7379 "An Act Relating to Labor and Labor Relations Arbitration Continuance of Contractual Provisions"

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

- A) Planning Department/Planning Commission/Affordable Housing Committee Reports (April/May)
- B) Final report on the Fire Station Rehabilitation Project (April/May)
- C) Fort Getty Landscape Project/Tree Preservation and Protection Committee Report (April/May)
- D) Friends of the Jamestown Rights of Way Report (April/May)
- E) Review of Open Meetings Act (April/May)
- F) Cell Tower development in the north end (April/May)
- G) Town Moderator's general rules for FTM (April/May)

#### XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### XV. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting shall be posted on the Secretary of State's website and at the Town Hall and the Jamestown Philomenian Library. In addition, notice also may be posted at the Jamestown Police Station and on the Internet at <a href="https://www.jamestownri.gov">www.jamestownri.gov</a>.

ALL NOTE: This meeting location is accessible to the physically challenged. If communications assistance is needed or other accommodations to ensure equal participation, please call 1-800-745-5555, or contact the Town Clerk at 401-423-9800, via facsimile to 401-423-7230, or email to cfernstrom@jamestownri.net not less than three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website March 29, 2018

## Town of Jamestown



#### PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL No. 2018-06 ARBOR DAY

WHEREAS. Arbor Day is observed throughout the nation and world; and

WHEREAS. Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS. Trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS. Trees in our town increase property values and enhance the economic vitality of business areas; and

WHEREAS. Trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

WHEREAS Our community has been blessed with a plentiful number and variety of trees which have beautified our landscape and added a touch of nature.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island does hereby proclaim Friday, April 27, 2018 as ARBOR DAY IN THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN, and does hereby urge all citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and

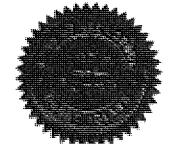
FURTHERMORE, all citizens are urged to plant trees to gladden the hearts and promote the well-being of present and future generations.

By Order of the Jamestown Town Council,

Kristine S. Trocki, President			
Michael G. White, Vice President	Blake A. Dickinson		
Mary E. Meagher	Eugene B. Mihaly		

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby attach my hand and the Official seal of the Town of Jamestown this 2nd day of April, 2018.







#### **Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority**

One East Shore Road | P.O. Box 437 | Jamestown, Rhode Island 02835-0437

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **RITBA SPRING & SUMMER 2018 PROJECTS**

#### March 28, 2018

**Jamestown, R.I.** - <u>The Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority (RITBA)</u> would like to provide a construction report and traffic advisory update. Starting in April, there will be multiple RITBA projects in progress. These projects include work on the Mount Hope Bridge, Sakonnet River Bridge, Newport Pell Bridge, Jamestown Verrazzano Bridge and the Route 138 Connector.

#### Mount Hope Bridge (April 2018 start):

- Lane closures 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and some night time work
- Continuation of steel repairs and painting (South Approach) Portsmouth side
- Work on bridge deck to include deck patching, safety walk concrete repairs & caulking, painting of inboard side of girders and suspender rope sockets
- Pressure washing of bridge members on and below deck

#### Sakonnet River Bridge (May 2018 start):

- Lane closures 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Concrete repairs to bridge parapets
- On-going demolition of old Sakonnet River Bridge (RIDOT project)

#### Newport Pell Bridge (April 2018 start):

- Lane closures predominantly 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with additional night work during the summer
- Bridge joint work, deck patching and safety walk repair
- Bridge Main Cable Inspection Project
- Touch-up painting of main span safety walk and deck railing

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#### Jamestown Bridge (April 2018 start):

- Lane closures from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Sealing and spall repair of cracks on the bridge deck

#### Route 138 (April 2018 start):

- Lane closures predominantly nights and weekends with some 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the week
- Deck repair of Fisherman's Wharf Access Road Bridge (North Kingstown)
- Pavement Rehabilitation Project (Jamestown)

To stay up to date and receive the latest on construction activity and real-time traffic, visit RITBA's site at <u>RITBA.org</u>. This site provides the latest information concerning lane closures, construction activities and traffic delays for the Newport Pell, Jamestown Verrazzano, Mount Hope and Sakonnet River Bridges, in addition to the RT 138 Connector.

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#### **TOWN OF JAMESTOWN**

93 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE
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JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND 02835

TO:

HONORABLE TOWN COUNCIL

FROM:

ANDREW E. NOTA, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT:

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

DATE:

March 28, 2018

Included for your review is the most recent legislative update as compiled by the RI League of Cities and Towns. As the present session of the Legislature has gained much momentum since the Governor's budget has been released there have presented numerous bills that may impact municipal government in general or be of specific interest to Jamestown.

The RI League's binding arbitration bill to require in-state arbitrators is to be presented in House Labor on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Other bills/topics of interest this week include:

- Food truck permitting bill Tuesday @ House Corporations
- Bill giving RIDE authority to waive certain reduce mandates on public schools Wednesday @ Senate Education
- Numerous climate change-related bills of municipal interest Wednesday @ Senate Environment
- Several bills to change property tax revaluation process and timeline Wednesday @ Senate Housing & Muni Gov't.
- Statewide plastic bag ban for large retail establishments, with enforcement by municipal law enforcement – Thursday @ House Environment

(Note: All committee hearings are at the rise of the House or Senate, unless otherwise noted. Bills in committee are scheduled for hearing only, unless otherwise indicated. Bills likely to get a vote are listed "For Consideration.")

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 27**

#### House Corporations

<u>H7130</u> -- Exempts the town of New Shoreham from the jurisdiction of the division of public utilities and carriers for purposes of regulating transportation network companies. (Filippi)

H7261 -- Amends the hours of operation for Class A liquor license holders in Central Falls. (Maldonado)

<u>H7660</u> -- Clarifies that interconnection and standby transformer costs incurred by any electric distribution co. for Block Island be charged in transmission rates and socialized across RI and provides for the reimbursement of BI Power Co. by National Grid for such costs. (Filippi)

<u>H7674</u> -- Establishes the Rhode Island public power utility council. (Regunberg)

• The council, which would include three ex officio municipal leaders, would make recommendations for enabling legislation to encourage public, not-for-profit utilities.

<u>H7784</u> -- Requires electric transmission and electric distribution companies to conduct periodic equipment inspections. Such companies are required to submit a periodic report to the public utilities division regarding the status of such inspections. (Fogarty)

 Reporting must also include whether certain communities or areas are disproportionately affected by outages

<u>H7789</u> -- Creates the "Insurance Data Security Act" which would adopt the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Model Act regarding data security. (Kennedy, for Dept. of Business Regulation)

• Of possible interest to Interlocal Trust

<u>H7790</u> -- Provides for the consolidation of food truck registration within the department of business regulation to streamline the registration process and reduce the burden on small businesses. (Kennedy, for DBR)

DBR consulted with League and several cities and towns on this bill. It consolidates several state
licenses required for food truck operations. Municipalities could maintain control over location
and hours of operation and could charge for permits, provided the fees do not exceed the
maximum amounts established by DBR under regulation (so far, those amounts are not in
statute). We will continue to track this bill.

H7909 -- Adds insurance provided in the surplus lines market to the payment of premiums and cancellation regulations contained in the unfair competition and practices chapter. (Slater)

Of possible interest to Interlocal Trust

<u>H7930</u> -- Removes glass from the materials not permitted as cover materials by the resource recovery corporation. (Ucci)

#### House Health, Education & Welfare

Various bills relating to police training standards for mental health literacy and drivers education pertaining to traffic stops -- List at <a href="http://status.rilin.state.ri.us/documents/agenda-14389.aspx">http://status.rilin.state.ri.us/documents/agenda-14389.aspx</a> H7374 -- Requires school buses to have 3-point seat system, effective January 1, 2020. (O'Brien)

#### House Judiciary

<u>H7590</u> -- Requires state and municipal authorities to return forfeited property 90 days after the underlying substantive matter is concluded in the owner's favor unless the property seized is a forfeitable controlled substance. (Walsh)

<u>H7640</u> -- Standardizes procedures for asset forfeitures for all crimes simplifying procedures and addresses counterproductive incentives. (Cunha)

#### Senate Commerce

<u>S2321</u> -- Clarifies that interconnection and standby transformer costs incurred by any electric distribution co. for Block Island be charged in transmission rates and socialized across RI and provides for the reimbursement of BI Power Co. by National Grid for such costs. (Sosnowski)

<u>S2325</u> -- Exempts the town of New Shoreham from the jurisdiction of the division of public utilities and carriers for purposes of regulating transportation network companies.

#### Senate Finance

Governor's FY 2019 Budget (H7200)

Article 12 -- Economic Development

 This article would establish the Municipal Zoning and Permitting Fund to provide technical assistance to cities and towns. The Governor's budget includes \$200,000 for this initiative in FY 2019.

#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28**

House Health, Education & Welfare

<u>H7694</u> -- Requires that school district safety assessments be provided to the Rhode Island school safety committee every three (3) years for review and recommendations. (Mattiello)

House Judiciary

H7385 -- Repeals the July 1, 2018, sunset clause in Chapters 325 and 406 of the 2013 Public Laws in regard to § 34-24-3.2 "mediation conference prior to mortgage foreclosure." (Messier, for Attorney General)

<u>H7467</u> -- Requires returns of a marriage certificate to be filed within two (2) business days after the ceremony, and would validate the common practice of filing the return by mail. (Ajello)

<u>H7878</u> -- Includes the general assembly elections in the risk-limiting audits within the jurisdiction of the board of elections. (Ajello)

#### Senate Education

<u>S2343</u> -- Authorizes the commissioner of education, with the approval of the council on elementary and secondary education, to waive certain provisions of the laws for public schools but would prohibit the waiver of other listed provisions. (Pearson)

Several bills related to charter school governance and student demographics – list at http://status.rilin.state.ri.us/documents/agenda-14392.aspx

#### Senate Environment & Agriculture

FOR CONSIDERATION

S2355 – Creates a Climate Change Coastal Adaptation Fund (Lynch Prata)

· Municipalities could apply for funds under the initiative

#### FOR HEARING/CONSIDERATION

<u>S2054</u> -- Requires carbon-emissions-reduction goals be considered in energy plant siting proceedings. (Calkin)

<u>S2116</u> -- Regulates activities of offshore drilling for oil and gas in federal waters to minimize adverse effects resulting therefrom within the state's territorial waters and coastline. (Euer)

<u>S2118</u> -- Establishes a fee on companies that sell fossil fuels in Rhode Island and also establishes a receipt account to disburse the funds from. (Calkin)

 Municipalities are eligible recipients for the competitive grant program created with funds from the fee

S2356 - Creates Study Commission on Direct Air Carbon Capture

· Study Commission includes an appointment from the League

<u>S2360</u> – Resolution expressing opposition to President Trump's decision to allow offshore drilling in most of America's coastal waters

 Noted as FYI. The League does not normally take positions on House or Senate resolutions; some municipalities have passed similar resolutions.

#### Senate Housing & Municipal Government

FOR CONSIDERATION

<u>S2239</u> -- Creates a municipal infrastructure grant program within the DOA relating to municipal and other public infrastructure projects. (Pearson)

League supported in previous committee hearing

#### FOR HEARING/CONSIDERATION

<u>S2132</u> -- Places a 20% cap on increases in consecutive real property revaluations commencing 12/31/18 and thereafter with a 3 year waiting period for new construction/additions. (Ciccone)

<u>S2242</u> -- Repeals and replaces Richmond-Carolina Fire District charter. (Morgan)

<u>S2414</u> -- Increases from three (3) to six (6) years the interval of time within which a city or town must conduct an update of its last real property revaluation. (Fogarty)

· League testified in opposition to this bill last year

<u>S2558</u> -- Reduces the term of office members and chair of the Kent County Water District board from seven (7) years to three (3) years, effective September 1, 2018 and limits the chair to three (3) consecutive terms. (Raptakis)

<u>S2084</u> -- Allows the town of Smithfield to charge interest on delinquent water payments at a rate of not more than twelve percent (12%) per annum. (Archambault)

<u>S2555</u> -- Requires the department of transportation to clear sidewalks of snow and ice on state roads for school bus stops along routes approved by the respective school committees and chief of police for each city and town. (Pearson)

<u>S2675</u> -- Imposes size and weight restrictions on through traffic on Forest Avenue, Middletown. (DiPalma, by request)

<u>\$2677</u> -- Authorizes Warwick to issue up to \$40,000,000 in general obligation bonds to finance school construction. (McCaffrey)

#### Senate Special Legislation & Veterans Affairs

FOR CONSIDERATION

<u>S2489</u> -- Adds prepackaged cheeses to the items allowed for sale at Class A license holders premises in towns or cities of ten thousand (10,000) or more inhabitants. (Gallo)

#### FOR HEARING/CONSIDERATION

<u>S2258</u> -- Eliminates the requirement that a service person serving in conflicts or undeclared wars receive a campaign ribbon or expeditionary medal in order to receive a property tax exemption. (Lombardi)

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 29

#### House Environment & Natural Resources

<u>H7851</u> -- Prohibits large retail establishments from providing plastic checkout bags/all retail establishments providing polystyrene food containers with enforcement by municipalities with opt out election effective January 1, 2021. (McEntee)

Municipal police departments are given jurisdiction and responsibility of enforcing the law.
 Municipalities may opt out of the requirements by ordinance or referendum.

#### House Labor

<u>H7796</u> -- Replaces the American Arbitration Association, as the selector of labor arbitrators, in non-grievance contract matters, with the director of the department of labor and training. (Shekarchi, by request of League)

- Requires the third, neutral arbitrator be a retired judge/magistrate or an active member of the RI Bar Association
- League bill members are encouraged to testify in person or in writing.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 18-**

#### RESOLUTION REQUESTING PASSAGE OF LOCAL BOND ACT BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY (LIBRARY)

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That the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown requests that the General Assembly approve enabling legislation to place a bond referendum on the ballot of the general election to be held on November 6, 2018. Said bond referendum shall ask the voters of the Town to approve issuance of up to \$1,000,000 in bonds and notes to finance the costs of renovation, repairs and expansion and related equipment at the Jamestown Philomenian Library.

Adopted at the Town C	ouncil Meeting of April, 2018.
Town Clerk	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PROPERTY

## APPROPRIATION FOR JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY THROUGH ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES

RESOLVED, that the qualified Electors of the Town of Jamestown hereby:

authorize the Town Administrator, with the consent and approval of the Town Council, for and on behalf of the Town alone or in conjunction with the State, State agencies and/or private non-profit organizations, to effect the renovation, repair and/or expansion of the Jamestown Philomenian Library included acquisition of related equipment therefor (the Library Project"), and to incur any and all costs incidental thereto in an amount not to exceed **ONE MILLION (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars** in the aggregate from Town funds, with any additional expenditures to come from other sources such as state and federal grants and private donations.

authorize the Finance Director, with the consent and approval of the Town Council, pursuant to Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, to borrow and issue bonds, from time to time, but not to exceed in the whole, the sum of **ONE MILLION** (\$1,000,000.00) **Dollars**, to finance the foregoing expenditures of Town funds which amount is in addition to any state, federal and private grants and private donations, and including payment of interest on any temporary notes;

authorize the Town Administrator, with the consent and approval of the Town Council, to contract for and accept state, federal and private grants for the Library Project and to expend such grants and donations therefor which grant funds and donated funds shall be in addition to the foregoing Town funds;

authorize the Finance Director pending any issue of bonds hereunder, or pending or in lieu of any issue of notes hereunder, and/or pending the receipt of grants and/or donations, to apply funds in the unreserved fund balance of the Town for such purposes, such advances to

be repaid without interest from the proceeds of bond or notes subsequently issued, or grants and/or donations received. The Town Council may by resolution authorize the issue from time to time of interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the issue of bonds. Bonds and notes issued pursuant to the authority hereof shall be signed by the Finance Director and counter-signed by the President of the Town Council, and such counter-signature shall be conclusive evidence to all holders of such bonds and notes of the consent and approval of the Town Council to the borrowings evidenced thereby. All terms and conditions of the bonds and authorized herein including the manner of sale, amount, denominations, maturities and conversion or registration privileges and the designation of a securities depository and paying agent, not fixed by provisions of law, may be fixed by the Town Council or if not so fixed then by the Finance Director. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town such additional agreements as are necessary to effect the issuance of bonds and notes hereunder, the due authorization thereof being conclusively demonstrated by his or her execution and delivery of such agreements. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to deliver such bonds and notes to the purchasers thereof and said officer is authorized and instructed to take all actions, on behalf of the Town, necessary to ensure that the interest on the bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and to refrain from all actions which would cause interest on the bonds to be subject to federal income taxes. The Finance Director is authorized to designate the bonds and notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for the purposes of Section 265 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to take such action as to comply with Rule 15 c 2 - 12 (b) (5) of the Securities and Exchange Commission and is authorized to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Certificate. The Town hereby declares that it reasonably expects to reimburse the expenditures authorized above with proceeds of debt to be issued by the Town. This Resolution is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation 1.150-2.

#### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

#### ANACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO FINANCE LIBRARY RENOVATIONS, REPAIRS AND/OR EXPANSION AND RELATED EQUIPMENT BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR.

2018-

Introduced By:

Date Introduced:

Referred To:

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Town of Jamestown is hereby empowered, in addition to authority previously granted, to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from time to time under its corporate name and seal or a facsimile of such seal. The bonds of each issue may be issued in the form of serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof and shall be payable either by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds, in annual installments of principal, the first installment to be not later than five years and the last installment not later than thirty years after the date of the bonds. For each issue

the amounts payable annually for principal and interest combined either shall be as nearly equal from year to year as is practicable in the opinion of the officers authorized to issue the bonds, or shall be arranged in accordance with a schedule providing for a more rapid amortization of principal.

SECTION 2. The bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the finance director of the town and the president of the Town Council and shall be issued and sold in such amounts as the Town Council may authorize by resolution. The manner of sale, denominations, maturities, interest rates and other terms, conditions and details of any bonds or notes issued under this act may be fixed by the resolution of the Town Council authorizing the issue or by separate resolution of the Town Council or, to the extent provisions for these matters are not so made, they may be fixed by the officers authorized to sign the bonds or notes. The proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds shall be delivered to the finance director, and such proceeds exclusive of premiums and accrued interest shall be expended for (a) the renovation, repair and/or expansion of the Jamestown Philomenian Library included related equipment therefor, (d) in payment of the principal of or interest on temporary notes issued under Section 3 of this act or (c) in repayment of advances under Section 4 of this act. No purchaser of any bonds or notes under this act shall be in any way responsible for the proper application of the proceeds derived from the sale thereof. The project shall be carried out and all contracts made therefor on behalf of the Town by the Town Council, or as may be heretofore or hereafter otherwise directed by the Town Council. The proceeds of bonds or notes issued under this act, any applicable federal or state assistance and the other monies referred to in Section 6 of this act shall be deemed appropriated for the purposes of this act without further action than that required by this act. The bond issue authorized by this act may be consolidated for the purposes of issuance and sale with any other bond issue of the town heretofore or hereafter authorized. provided that, notwithstanding any such consolidation, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this act shall be expended for the purposes set forth above.

SECTION 3. The Town Council may by resolution authorize the issue from time to time of interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the authorization or issue of bonds or in anticipation of the receipt of federal or state aid for the purposes of this act. The amount of original notes issued in anticipation of bonds may not exceed the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act and the amount of original notes issued in anticipation of federal

or state aid may not exceed the amount of available federal or state aid as estimated by the finance director. Temporary notes issued hereunder shall be signed by the finance director and by the president of the Town Council and shall be payable within five years from their respective dates, but the principal of and interest on notes issued for a shorter period may be renewed or paid from time to time by the issue of other notes hereunder, provided the period from the date of an original note to the maturity of any note issued to renew or pay the same debt or the interest thereon shall not exceed five years.

SECTION 4. Pending any authorization or issue of bonds hereunder or pending or in lieu of any authorization or issue of notes hereunder, the finance director, with the approval of the Town Council, may, to the extent that bonds or notes may be issued hereunder, apply funds in the treasury of the Town to the purposes specified in section two, such advances to be repaid without interest from the proceeds of bonds or notes subsequently issued or from the proceeds of applicable federal or state assistance or from other available funds.

SECTION 5. Any proceeds of bonds or notes issued hereunder or of any applicable federal or state assistance, pending their expenditure may be deposited or invested by the finance director, in demand deposits, time deposits or savings deposits in banks which are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or by any agency or instrumentality thereof or as may be provided in any other applicable law of the State of Rhode Island.

SECTION 6. Any accrued interest received upon the sale of bonds or notes hereunder shall be applied to the payment of the first interest due thereon. Any premiums arising from the sale of bonds or notes hereunder and any earnings or net profit realized from the deposit or investment of funds hereunder shall, in the discretion of the finance director, be applied to the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder to the extent not otherwise provided, to the payment of the cost of the projects or to the cost of additional improvements coming within the description of the projects in Section 2 of this act, to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder or to any one or more of the foregoing. The cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may also, in the discretion of the finance director, be met from bond or note proceeds exclusive of accrued interest or from other monies available therefor. Any balance of bond or note proceeds remaining after payment of the cost of the projects and said additional

improvements and the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder shall be applied to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder. In exercising any discretion under this section, the finance director shall be governed by any instructions adopted by resolution of the Town Council. The finance director is authorized to take any action deemed by him or her necessary to assure that interest on the bonds or notes issued hereunder remains excludable from gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes, including, without limitation, paying to the federal government any rebate of earnings derived from the deposit or investment of the proceeds of such bonds or notes that may be required therefor and (2) to comply with the requirements of federal law, including without being limited to regulations and other requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, imposed directly on the Town or on the underwriters of such bonds and notes.

SECTION 7. All bonds or notes issued under this act and the debts evidenced thereby shall be obligatory on the town in the same manner and to the same extent as other debts lawfully contracted by it and shall be excepted from the operation of section 45-12-2 of the General Laws. No such obligation shall at any time be included in the debt of the town for the purpose of ascertaining its borrowing capacity. The town shall annually appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the principal and interest coming due within the year on bonds and notes issued hereunder to the extent that moneys therefor are not otherwise provided. If such sum is not appropriated, it shall nevertheless be added to the annual tax levy. In order to provide such sum in each year and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, all taxable property in the town shall be subject to ad valorem taxation by the town without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 8. Any bonds or notes issued under the provisions of this act, if properly executed by officers of the town in office on the date of execution, shall be valid and binding according to their terms notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof and payment therefor any or all of such officers shall for any reason have ceased to hold office.

SECTION 9. The town, acting by resolution of its Town Council is authorized to apply for, contract for and expend any federal or state advances or other grants or assistance which may be available for the purposes of this act, and any such expenditures may be in addition to other moneys provided in this act. To the extent of any inconsistency between any law of this state and any applicable

federal law or regulation, the latter shall prevail. Federal and state advances, with interest where applicable, whether contracted for prior to or after the effective date of this act, may be repaid as project costs under section two.

SECTION 10. Bonds and notes may be issued under this act without obtaining the approval of any governmental agency or the taking of any proceedings or the happening of any conditions except as specifically required by this act for such issue. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, bonds and notes may be issued under this act without any action at the financial town meeting. In carrying out any project financed in whole or in part under this act, including where applicable the condemnation of any land or interest in land, and in the levy and collection of assessments or other charges permitted by law on account of any such project, all action shall be taken which is necessary to meet constitutional requirements whether or not such action is otherwise required by statute; but the validity of bonds and notes issued hereunder shall in no way depend upon the validity or occurrence of such action. To the extent of any inconsistency between this act and the Town Charter, this act shall prevail.

SECTION 11. The question of the approval of this act shall be submitted to the electors of the town at an election on November 6, 2018. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form: "Shall an act, passed at the 2018 session of the General Assembly, entitled 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO FINANCE LIBRARY RENOVATIONS. REPAIRS AND/OR EXPANSION AND RELATED EQUIPMENT BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR' be approved?" and the warning for the election shall contain the question to be submitted. The Town Board of Canvassers may combine any two or more voting districts for the election and when so combined shall be treated as a voting district. If so combined, the Town Board of Canvassers shall advertise the combination of districts in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town. From the time the election is warned and until it is held, it shall be the duty of the Town Clerk to keep a copy of the act available at his or her office for public inspection, but the validity of the election shall not be affected by this requirement.

SECTION 12. This section and Section 11 shall take effect upon passage. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon the approval of this act by a majority of those voting on the question at the election prescribed by Section 11.

#### **EXPLANATION**

OF

#### AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$\_\_\_\_\_,000 TO FINANCE LIBRARY RENOVATIONS, REPAIRS AND/OR EXPANSION AND RELATED EQUIPMENT BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR.

This act authorizes the Town of Jamestown to issue not more than

\$\_\_\_\_\_bonds and notes to finance various improvements at the town of Jamestown's library and related equipment.

Sections II and 12 would take effect upon the passage. The remainder of this act would take effect upon the approval by the electors of the town of the question provided in Section 11.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 18-

#### RESOLUTION REQUESTING PASSAGE OF LOCAL BOND ACT BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Golf Course)

#### RESOLVED:

That the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown requests that the General Assembly approve enabling legislation to place a bond referendum on the ballot of the general election to be held on November 6, 2018. Said bond referendum shall ask the voters of the Town to approve issuance of up to \$in bonds and notes to finance the costs of new construction, demolition, renovations and/or improvements to the Jamestown golf course and facilities at 245 Conanicus Avenue and related equipment.
Adopted at the Town Council Meeting of April, 2018.
Town Clerk

# BORROWING FOR GOLF COURSE & FACILITIES THROUGH ISSUANCE OF BONDS & NOTES

RESOLVED, That the qualified Electors of the Town of Jamestown vote to authorize the Finance Director, with the consent and approval of the Town Council, pursuant to Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, to borrow and issue bonds, from time to time, but not to exceed in the whole, the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Million \_\_\_\_ dollars (\$\_,\_00,000.00), to finance for new construction, demolition, renovations and/or other improvements to Jamestown golf course and facilities at 245 Conanicus Avenue and related equipment, including design costs and costs of issuance and payment of interest on any temporary notes. The Town Council may by resolution authorize the issue from time to time of interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the issue of bonds. Bonds and notes issued pursuant to the authority hereof shall be signed by the Finance Director and counter-signed by the President of the Town Council, and such counter-signature shall be conclusive evidence to all holders of such bonds and notes of the consent and approval of the Town Council to the borrowings evidenced thereby. All terms and conditions of the bonds and notes authorized herein including the manner of sale, amount, denominations, maturities and conversion or registration privileges and the designation of a securities depository and paying agent, not fixed by provisions of law, may be fixed by the Town Council or if not so fixed by the Finance Director. Pending any issue of bonds hereunder or pending or in lieu of any issue of notes hereunder, the Finance Director, with the approval of the Town Council, may, to the extent that bonds or notes may be issued hereunder, apply funds in the treasury of the district to the purposes for which bonds or notes are authorized hereunder, such advances to be repaid without interest from the proceeds of bonds or notes subsequently issued or from the proceeds of applicable federal or state assistance or from other available funds. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town such additional agreements as are necessary to effect the issuance of bonds and notes hereunder, the due authorization thereof being conclusively

demonstrated by his or her execution and delivery of such agreements. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to deliver such bonds and notes to the purchasers thereof and said officer is authorized to take all actions, on behalf of the Town, necessary to ensure that the interest on the bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and to refrain from all actions which would cause interest on the bonds to be subject to federal income taxes, if such treatment is available. The Finance Director is authorized to deem the bonds, and to the extent not deemed to be, to designate the bonds and notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for the purposes of Section 265 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, if such treatment is available. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to take such action as to comply with Rule 15 c 2-12 (b) (5) of the Securities and Exchange Commission and is authorized to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

#### STATE OF RHODEISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

#### AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$ TO FINANCE NEW CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION, RENOVATIONS AND/OR IMPROVEMENTS TO JAMESTOWN GOLF COURSE AND FACILITIES AT 245 CONANICUS AVENUE AND RELATED EQUIPMENT  2018-
Introduced By:
Date Introduced:
Referred To:
It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:
SECTION I. The Town of Jamestown is hereby empowered, in addition to authority
previously granted, to issue its general obligation bonds and notes to an amount not exceeding
Million Hundred Thousand (\$_,_00,000) Dollars at one time or from time
to time under its corporate name and seal or a facsimile of such seal to finance new construction,
demolition, renovations and/or improvements to Jamestown golf course and facilities at 245

Conanicus Avenue and related equipment. The bonds of each issue may be issued in the form of

serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof and shall be payable either by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds, in annual installments of principal, the first installment to be not later than five (5) years and the last installment not later than thirty (30) tears after the date of the bonds. All such bonds of a particular issue may be issued in the form of zero coupon bonds, capital appreciation bonds, serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof. Annual installments of principal may be provided for by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds. The amount of principal appreciation each year on any bonds, after the date of original issuance, shall not be considered to be principal indebtedness for the purpose of a constitutional or statutory debt limit or any other limitation. The appreciation of principal after the date of original issue shall be considered interest. Only the original principal amount shall be counted in determining the principal amount so issued and any interest component shall be disregarded.

SECTION 2. The bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the finance director and the president of the town council and shall be issued and sold in such amounts as the town council may authorize by majority vote of all its members. The amount of the bond issue, manner of sale, denominations, maturities, interest rate or rates, award and other terms, conditions and details of any bonds or notes issued under this act may be fixed by the proceedings of the town council authorizing their issue or by separate resolution to the town council or, to the extent provisions for these matters are not so made, they may be fixed by the officers authorized to sign the bonds. The town council may provide that any bonds issued under this act and any other authorized issue of bonds of the town may be consolidated and issued at the same time as a single bond issue, provided that the last installment of the portion of any such consolidated issue

that is allocable to the bonds issued under this act shall not be later than the times specified by the applicable provisions hereof. The bonds may be made callable with or without premium. The proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds shall be delivered to the finance director, and such proceeds, exclusive of premiums and accrued interest, shall be expended for costs of financing new construction, demolition, renovations and/or improvements to Jamestown golf course and facilities at 245 Conanicus Avenue and related equipment (herein referred to as the "project") if approved by the voters in accordance with Section 12 hereof, including all other costs incidental and related to the foregoing project and its financing pursuant to this act, including, but not limited to, the payment of principal of or interest on temporary notes issued under Section 3, the repayment of advances made under Section, and/or to finance capitalized interest on the project. No purchaser of any bonds or notes under this act shall be in any way responsible for the proper application of the proceeds derived from the sale thereof. The project shall be carried out and all contracts made therefor on behalf of the town by the town council, or as may be authorized by the town council. The proceeds of bonds or notes issued under this act, any applicable federal or state assistance and any other monies referred to in Sections 5, 6, or 9 shall be deemed appropriated for the purposes of this act without further action than that required by this act. The bond issue authorized by this act may be consolidated for the purposes of issuance and sale with any other bond issue of the town heretofore or hereafter authorized, provided that, notwithstanding any such consolidation, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this act shall be expended for the purposes set above. The finance director and president of the town council acting singly, on behalf of the town, are hereby authorized to execute such instruments, documents, or other papers as either of them deem necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of this act and are also authorized to take all actions and execute all documents or agreements necessary to comply with federal tax and

securities laws, which documents or agreements may have a term coextensive with the maturity of the bonds authorized hereby, including Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to execute and deliver a continuing disclosure agreement or certificate in connection with the bond or notes, and to comply with the provisions of §§ 16-7-35 to 16-7-47 of the Rhode Island General Laws, 1956, as amended.

SECTION 3. The town council may by resolution authorize in the issue from time to time of interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the issue of bonds under this act or in anticipation of the receipt of federal or state aid for the purposes of this act. The amount of original notes issued in anticipation of bonds may not exceed the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act and the amount of original notes issued in anticipation of federal or state aid may not exceed the amount of available federal or state aid as estimated by the finance director. Temporary notes issued hereunder shall be signed by the finance director and the president of the town council and shall be payable within five (5) years from their respective dates, but the principal of and interest on notes issued for a shorter period may be renewed or paid from time to time by the issue of other notes hereunder, provided the period from the date of an original note to the maturity of any note issued to renew or pay the same debt or the interest thereon shall not exceed five (5) years. Any temporary notes in anticipation of bonds issued under this section may be refunded prior to the maturity of the notes by the issuance of additional temporary notes, provided that no such refunding shall result in any amount of such temporary notes outstanding at any one time in excess of two hundred percent (200%) of the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act, and provided further that if issuance of any such refunding notes results in any amount of bonds which may be issued under this act, the proceeds of such refunding notes shall be deposited in a separate fund established with the bank which is paying agent for the notes being refunded.

Pending their use to pay the notes being refunded, monies in the fund shall be invested for the benefit of the town by the paying agent at the direction of the finance director in any investment permitted under Section 5. The monies in the fund and any investments held as part of the fund shall be held in trust and shall be applied by the paying agent solely to the payment or prepayment of the principal of and interest on the notes being refunded. Upon payment of all principal of and interest on the notes, any excess monies in the fund shall be distributed to the town. The period for which bonds may be issued under this act need not be reduced by the period of any temporary loans hereunder. The proceeds derived from the sale of such temporary notes shall be used only for the purposes for which the proceeds bonds issued under this act may be used. The town may pay the principal of and interest on notes in full from other than the issuance of refunding notes prior to the issuance of bonds pursuant to Section 1 hereof. In such case, the town's authority to issue bonds or notes in anticipation of bonds under this act shall continue provided that: (1) the town council passes a resolution evidencing the town's intent to pay off the notes without extinguishing the authority to issue bonds or notes; and (2) that the period from the date of an original note to the maturity date of any note shall not exceed five (5) years.

SECTION 4. Pending any issue of bonds or notes hereunder, the finance director, with the approval of the town council, may, to the extent that bonds or notes may be issued hereunder, apply funds in the treasury of the town for the purposes specified in Section 2, such advances to be repaid without interest from the proceeds of bonds or notes subsequently issued or from the proceeds of applicable federal or state assistance or from other available funds.

SECTION 5. Any proceeds of bonds or notes issued hereunder or of any applicable federal or state assistance, pending their expenditure, may be deposited or invested by the finance director in demand deposits, time deposits or savings deposits in which are members of the federal deposit

insurance corporation, in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or State of Rhode Island, or by an agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of either of them, or as may be provided in any other applicable law of the State of Rhode Island or resolution of the town council or pursuant to an investment policy of the town.

SECTION 6. Any accrued interest received upon the sale of bonds or notes hereunder shall be applied to the payment of the first interest due thereon. Any premiums arising from the bonds or notes hereunder shall, in the discretion of the finance director, be applied to the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder to the extent not otherwise provided, to the payment of the cost of the project, to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder or to any one or more of the foregoing. The cost preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may also, in the direction of the finance director, be met from bond or note proceeds exclusive of premiums and accrued interest or from other monies available therefor. Any balance of bond or note proceeds remaining after payment of the cost of the project and the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may be applied to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder. To the extent permitted by applicable federal laws, any earnings or net profit realized from the deposit or investment of funds hereunder shall upon receipt be added to and used for the same purposes as the proceeds of bonds or notes issued hereunder or be added to and dealt with as a part of revenues of the town from property taxes. In exercising any discretion under this section, the finance director shall be governed by any instructions adopted by resolution of the town council. The finance director is authorized to take any action deemed by him or her to be necessary to assure that interest on the bonds or notes issued hereunder remains excludable from gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes, including, without limitation, paying to the federal government

any rebate of earnings derived from the deposit or investment of the proceeds of such bonds or notes that may be required therefor.

SECTION 7. All bonds and notes issued under this act and the debts evidenced thereby shall be obligatory on the town in the same manner and to the same extent as other debts lawfully contracted by it and shall be excepted from the operation of Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws. No such obligation shall at any time be included in the debt of the town for the purpose of ascertaining its borrowing capacity. The town shall annually appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the principal and interest coming due within the year on bonds and notes issued hereunder to the extent that monies therefor are not otherwise provided. If such sum is not appropriated, it shall nevertheless be added to the annual tax levy. In order to provide such sum in each year and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, all taxable property in the town shall be subject to ad valorem taxation by the town without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 8. Any bonds or notes issued under the provisions of this act, if properly executed by officers of the town in office on the date of execution, shall be valid and binding according to their terms notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof and payment therefor any or all of such officers shall for any reason have ceased to hold office.

SECTION 9. The town, acting by resolution of its town council, is authorized to apply for, contract for and expand federal or state advances or other grants or assistance which may be available for the purposes of this act, and any such expenditures may be in addition to other monies provided in the act. To the extent of any inconsistency between any law of the State and any applicable federal law or regulation, the latter shall prevail. Federal and State advances, with interest where applicable, whether contracted for prior to or after the effective date of this act, may be repaid as project costs under Section 2.

SECTION 10. Bonds and notes may be issued under this act without obtaining the approval of any governmental agency or the taking of any proceedings or the happening of any conditions except as specifically required by this act for such issue. In carrying out any project financed in whole or in part under this act, including where applicable the condemnation of any land or interest in land, and in the levy and collection of assessments or other charges permitted by law on account of any such project, all action shall be taken which is necessary to meet constitutional requirements whether or not such action is otherwise required by statute, but the validity of bonds and notes issued hereunder shall in no way depend upon the validity or occurrence of such action.

SECTION 11. After completion of the project, all or any portion of the authorized but unissued authority to issue bonds and notes under this act may be extinguished by resolution of the town council, without further action by the General Assembly.

it is held, it shall be the duty of the town clerk to keep a copy of this act available at the clerk's office for public inspection, but the validity of the vote taken at the election shall not be affected by this requirement.

SECTION 13. This section and section 12 shall take effect upon the passage of this act. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon the approval of the question listed in Section 12 hereof by a majority of those voting on the question at the election prescribed by the foregoing section.

#### **EXPLANATION**

OF

#### AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GE	NERAL OBLIGATION
BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$	,000 TO FINANCE
NEW CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION, RENOVATIONS AND/O	OR IMPROVEMENTS TO
JAMESTOWN GOLF COURSE AND FACILITIES AT 245 CON.	ANICUS AVENUE AND
RELATED EQUIPMENT	

This act authorizes the Town of Jamestown to issue not more than \$\_\_\_\_\_bonds and notes to finance various improvements at the town of Jamestown's golf course and facilities and related equipment.

Sections 12 and 13 would take effect upon the passage. The remainder of this act would take effect upon the approval by the electors of the town of the question provided in Section 12.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 18-**

#### RESOLUTION REQUESTING PASSAGE OF LOCAL BOND ACT BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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That the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown requests that the General Assembly approve enabling legislation to place a bond referendum on the ballot of the general election to be held on November 6, 2018. Said bond referendum shall ask the voters of the Town to approve issuance of up to \$5,900,000 in bonds and notes to finance the costs of replacements, renovations and improvements at the Jamestown public schools.

Adopted at the Town Council Meeting of April,	2018.
Town Clerk	

#### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

#### AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,900,000 TO FINANCE REPLACEMENTS, RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AT THE JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2018-

**Introduced By:** 

**Date Introduced:** 

#### **Referred To:**

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The Town of Jamestown is hereby empowered, in addition to authority previously granted, to issue its general obligation bonds and notes to an amount not exceeding Five Million Nine Hundred Thousand (\$5,900,000) Dollars at one time or from time to time under its corporate name and seal or a facsimile of such seal to finance replacements, renovations and improvements and related equipment at the Jamestown public schools. The bonds of each issue may be issued in the form of serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof and shall be

payable either by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds, in annual installments of principal, the first installment to be not later than five (5) years and the last installment not later than thirty (30) tears after the date of the bonds. All such bonds of a particular issue may be issued in the form of zero coupon bonds, capital appreciation bonds, serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof. Annual installments of principal may be provided for by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds. The amount of principal appreciation each year on any bonds, after the date of original issuance, shall not be considered to be principal indebtedness for the purpose of a constitutional or statutory debt limit or any other limitation. The appreciation of principal after the date of original issue shall be considered interest. Only the original principal amount shall be counted in determining the principal amount so issued and any interest component shall be disregarded.

SECTION 2. The bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the finance director and the president of the town council and shall be issued and sold in such amounts as the town council may authorize by majority vote of all its members. The amount of the bond issue, manner of sale, denominations, maturities, interest rate or rates, award and other terms, conditions and details of any bonds or notes issued under this act may be fixed by the proceedings of the town council authorizing their issue or by separate resolution to the town council or, to the extent provisions for these matters are not so made, they may be fixed by the officers authorized to sign the bonds. The town council may provide that any bonds issued under this act and any other authorized issue of bonds of the town may be consolidated and issued at the same time as a single bond issue, provided that the last installment of the portion of any such consolidated issue that is allocable to the bonds issued under this act shall not be later than the times specified by the

applicable provisions hereof. The bonds may be made callable with or without premium. The proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds shall be delivered to the finance director, and such proceeds, exclusive of premiums and accrued interest, shall be expended for costs of financing replacements, renovations, and improvements and related equipment at the Jamestown public schools (herein referred to as the "project") if approved by the voters in accordance with Section 12 hereof, including all other costs incidental and related to the foregoing project and its financing pursuant to this act, including, but not limited to, the payment of principal of or interest on temporary notes issued under Section 3, the repayment of advances made under Section, and/or to finance capitalized interest on the project. No purchaser of any bonds or notes under this act shall be in any way responsible for the proper application of the proceeds derived from the sale thereof. The project shall be carried out and all contracts made therefor on behalf of the town by the town council, or as may be authorized by the town council. The proceeds of bonds or notes issued under this act, any applicable federal or state assistance and any other monies referred to in Sections 5, 6, or 9 shall be deemed appropriated for the purposes of this act without further action than that required by this act. The bond issue authorized by this act may be consolidated for the purposes of issuance and sale with any other bond issue of the town heretofore or hereafter authorized, provided that, notwithstanding any such consolidation, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this act shall be expended for the purposes set above. The finance director and president of the town council acting singly, on behalf of the town, are hereby authorized to execute such instruments, documents, or other papers as either of them deem necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of this act and are also authorized to take all actions and execute all documents or agreements necessary to comply with federal tax and securities laws, which documents or agreements may have a term coextensive with the maturity of the bonds authorized hereby,

including Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to execute and deliver a continuing disclosure agreement or certificate in connection with the bond or notes, and to comply with the provisions of §§ 16-7-35 to 16-7-47 of the Rhode Island General Laws, 1956, as amended; including making all necessary contracts and agreements to issue said bonds and/or notes through the Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation

SECTION 3. The town council may by resolution authorize in the issue from time to time of interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the issue of bonds under this act or in anticipation of the receipt of federal or state aid for the purposes of this act. The amount of original notes issued in anticipation of bonds may not exceed the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act and the amount of original notes issued in anticipation of federal or state aid may not exceed the amount of available federal or state aid as estimated by the finance director. Temporary notes issued hereunder shall be signed by the finance director and the president of the town council and shall be payable within five (5) years from their respective dates, but the principal of and interest on notes issued for a shorter period may be renewed or paid from time to time by the issue of other notes hereunder, provided the period from the date of an original note to the maturity of any note issued to renew or pay the same debt or the interest thereon shall not exceed five (5) years. Any temporary notes in anticipation of bonds issued under this section may be refunded prior to the maturity of the notes by the issuance of additional temporary notes, provided that no such refunding shall result in any amount of such temporary notes outstanding at any one time in excess of two hundred percent (200%) of the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act, and provided further that if issuance of any such refunding notes results in any amount of bonds which may be issued under this act, the proceeds of such refunding notes shall be deposited in a separate fund established with the bank which is paying agent for the notes being refunded.

Pending their use to pay the notes being refunded, monies in the fund shall be invested for the benefit of the town by the paying agent at the direction of the finance director in any investment permitted under Section 5. The monies in the fund and any investments held as part of the fund shall be held in trust and shall be applied by the paying agent solely to the payment or prepayment of the principal of and interest on the notes being refunded. Upon payment of all principal of and interest on the notes, any excess monies in the fund shall be distributed to the town. The period for which bonds may be issued under this act need not be reduced by the period of any temporary loans hereunder. The proceeds derived from the sale of such temporary notes shall be used only for the purposes for which the proceeds bonds issued under this act may be used. The town may pay the principal of and interest on notes in full from other than the issuance of refunding notes prior to the issuance of bonds pursuant to Section 1 hereof. In such case, the town's authority to issue bonds or notes in anticipation of bonds under this act shall continue provided that: (1) the town council passes a resolution evidencing the town's intent to pay off the notes without extinguishing the authority to issue bonds or notes; and (2) that the period from the date of an original note to the maturity date of any note shall not exceed five (5) years.

SECTION 4. Pending any issue of bonds or notes hereunder, the finance director, with the approval of the town council, may, to the extent that bonds or notes may be issued hereunder, apply funds in the treasury of the town for the purposes specified in Section 2, such advances to be repaid without interest from the proceeds of bonds or notes subsequently issued or from the proceeds of applicable federal or state assistance or from other available funds.

SECTION 5. Any proceeds of bonds or notes issued hereunder or of any applicable federal or state assistance, pending their expenditure, may be deposited or invested by the finance director in demand deposits, time deposits or savings deposits in which are members of the federal deposit

insurance corporation, in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or State of Rhode Island, or by an agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of either of them, or as may be provided in any other applicable law of the State of Rhode Island or resolution of the town council or pursuant to an investment policy of the town.

SECTION 6. Any accrued interest received upon the sale of bonds or notes hereunder shall be applied to the payment of the first interest due thereon. Any premiums arising from the bonds or notes hereunder shall, in the discretion of the finance director, be applied to the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder to the extent not otherwise provided, to the payment of the cost of the project, to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder or to any one or more of the foregoing. The cost preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may also, in the direction of the finance director, be met from bond or note proceeds exclusive of premiums and accrued interest or from other monies available therefor. Any balance of bond or note proceeds remaining after payment of the cost of the project and the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may be applied to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder. To the extent permitted by applicable federal laws, any earnings or net profit realized from the deposit or investment of funds hereunder shall upon receipt be added to and used for the same purposes as the proceeds of bonds or notes issued hereunder or be added to and dealt with as a part of revenues of the town from property taxes. In exercising any discretion under this section, the finance director shall be governed by any instructions adopted by resolution of the town council. The finance director is authorized to take any action deemed by him or her to be necessary to assure that interest on the bonds or notes issued hereunder remains excludable from gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes, including, without limitation, paying to the federal government

any rebate of earnings derived from the deposit or investment of the proceeds of such bonds or notes that may be required therefor.

SECTION 7. All bonds and notes issued under this act and the debts evidenced thereby shall be obligatory on the town in the same manner and to the same extent as other debts lawfully contracted by it and shall be excepted from the operation of Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws. No such obligation shall at any time be included in the debt of the town for the purpose of ascertaining its borrowing capacity. The town shall annually appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the principal and interest coming due within the year on bonds and notes issued hereunder to the extent that monies therefor are not otherwise provided. If such sum is not appropriated, it shall nevertheless be added to the annual tax levy. In order to provide such sum in each year and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, all taxable property in the town shall be subject to ad valorem taxation by the town without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 8. Any bonds or notes issued under the provisions of this act, if properly executed by officers of the town in office on the date of execution, shall be valid and binding according to their terms notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof and payment therefor any or all of such officers shall for any reason have ceased to hold office.

SECTION 9. The town, acting by resolution of its town council, is authorized to apply for, contract for and expand federal or state advances or other grants or assistance which may be available for the purposes of this act, and any such expenditures may be in addition to other monies provided in the act. To the extent of any inconsistency between any law of the State and any applicable federal law or regulation, the latter shall prevail. Federal and State advances, with interest where applicable, whether contracted for prior to or after the effective date of this act, may be repaid as project costs under Section 2.

SECTION 10. Bonds and notes may be issued under this act without obtaining the approval of any governmental agency or the taking of any proceedings or the happening of any conditions except as specifically required by this act for such issue. In carrying out any project financed in whole or in part under this act, including where applicable the condemnation of any land or interest in land, and in the levy and collection of assessments or other charges permitted by law on account of any such project, all action shall be taken which is necessary to meet constitutional requirements whether or not such action is otherwise required by statute, but the validity of bonds and notes issued hereunder shall in no way depend upon the validity or occurrence of such action.

SECTION 11. After completion of the project, all or any portion of the authorized but unissued authority to issue bonds and notes under this act may be extinguished by resolution of the town council, without further action by the General Assembly.

SECTION 12. The question of the approval of this act shall be submitted to the electors of the town of Jamestown at the general election to be held on November 6, 2018. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form: "Shall an act, passed at the 2018 session of the General Assembly, entitled 'An Act Authorizing the Town of Jamestown to Issue General Obligation Bonds and Notes in an Amount not to Exceed \$5,900,000 to Finance Replacements, Renovations and Improvements and Related Equipment at the Jamestown Public Schools' be approved?" The warning for election shall contain the question to be submitted. The town board of canvassers may combine any two or more voting districts for the election and when so combined shall be treated as a voting district. If so combined, the town board of canvassers shall advertise the combination of districts in a newspaper of general circulation in the town. From the time the election is warned and until it is held, it shall be the duty of the town clerk to keep a copy of this

act available at the clerk's office for public inspection, but the validity of the vote taken at the election shall not be affected by this requirement.

SECTION 13. This section and section 12 shall take effect upon the passage of this act. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon the approval of the question listed in Section 12 hereof by a majority of those voting on the question at the election prescribed by the foregoing section.

# **EXPLANATION**

OF

# AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,900,000 TO FINANCE REPLACEMENTS, RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AT THE JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

This act authorizes the Town of Jamestown to issue not more than \$5,900,000 bonds and notes to finance various improvements and related equipment at the town of Jamestown's schools.

Sections 12 and 13 would take effect upon the passage. The remainder of this act would take effect upon the approval by the electors of the town of the question provided in Section 12.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 18-**

# RESOLUTION REQUESTING PASSAGE OF LOCAL BOND ACT BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Schools, Golf & Library)

# RESOLVED:

That the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown requests that the General Assembly approve enabling legislation to place a bond referendum on the ballot of the general election to be held on November 6, 2018. Said bond referendum shall ask the voters of the Town to approve issuance of up to \$
Adopted at the Town Council Meeting of April, 2018.
Town Clerk

# STATE OF RHODEISLAND

# IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

# AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$ FINANCE CONSTRUCTION, REPLACEMENTS, RENOVATIONS AND/OR OTHER

IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AT THE JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, THE JAMESTOWN GOLF COURSE AND THE JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY
2018-
Introduced By:
Date Introduced:
Referred To:
It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:
SECTION 1. The Town of Jamestown is hereby empowered, in addition to authority
previously granted, to issue its general obligation bonds and notes to an amount not exceeding
Million Hundred Thousand (\$,_00,000) Dollars at one time or from time to
time under its corporate name and seal or a facsimile of such seal to finance construction,
replacements, renovations and/or other improvements and related equipment at the Jamestown

public schools, the Jamestown Golf Course and the Jamestown Philomenian Library; of which amount not more than \$\_\_\_\_\_ shall be for said school purposes, not more than \$ for said golf course purposes and not more than \$ said library purposes. The bonds of each issue may be issued in the form of serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof and shall be payable either by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds, in annual installments of principal, the first installment to be not later than five (5) years and the last installment not later than thirty (30) tears after the date of the bonds. All such bonds of a particular issue may be issued in the form of zero coupon bonds, capital appreciation bonds, serial bonds or term bonds or a combination thereof. Annual installments of principal may be provided for by maturity of principal in the case of serial bonds or by mandatory serial redemption in the case of term bonds. The amount of principal appreciation each year on any bonds, after the date of original issuance, shall not be considered to be principal indebtedness for the purpose of a constitutional or statutory debt limit or any other limitation. The appreciation of principal after the date of original issue shall be considered interest. Only the original principal amount shall be counted in determining the principal amount so issued and any interest component shall be disregarded.

SECTION 2. The bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the finance director and the president of the town council and shall be issued and sold in such amounts as the town council may authorize by majority vote of all its members. The amount of the bond issue, manner of sale, denominations, maturities, interest rate or rates, award and other terms, conditions and details of any bonds or notes issued under this act may be fixed by the proceedings of the town council authorizing their issue or by separate resolution to the town council or, to the extent provisions for these matters are not so made, they may be fixed by the officers authorized

to sign the bonds. The town council may provide that any bonds issued under this act and any other authorized issue of bonds of the town may be consolidated and issued at the same time as a single bond issue, provided that the last installment of the portion of any such consolidated issue that is allocable to the bonds issued under this act shall not be later than the times specified by the applicable provisions hereof. The bonds may be made callable with or without premium. The proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds shall be delivered to the finance director, and such proceeds, exclusive of premiums and accrued interest, shall be expended for costs of **financing** construction, replacements, renovations, and/or other improvements and related equipment at the Jamestown public schools, the Jamestown golf course and/or the Jamestown Philomenian Library as applicable (herein referred to as the "projects") if approved by the voters in accordance with Section 12 hereof, including all other costs incidental and related to the foregoing project and its financing pursuant to this act, including, but not limited to, the payment of principal of or interest on temporary notes issued under Section 3, the repayment of advances made under Section, and/or to finance capitalized interest on the projects. No purchaser of any bonds or notes under this act shall be in any way responsible for the proper application of the proceeds derived from the sale thereof. The projects shall be carried out and all contracts made therefor on behalf of the town by the town council, or as may be authorized by the town council. The proceeds of bonds or notes issued under this act, any applicable federal or state assistance and any other monies referred to in Sections 5, 6, or 9 shall be deemed appropriated for the purposes of this act without further action than that required by this act. The bond issue authorized by this act may be consolidated for the purposes of issuance and sale with any other bond issue of the town heretofore or hereafter authorized, provided that, notwithstanding any such consolidation, the proceeds from the sale of the bonds authorized by this act shall be expended for the purposes

set above. The finance director and president of the town council acting singly, on behalf of the town, are hereby authorized to execute such instruments, documents, or other papers as either of them deem necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of this act and are also authorized to take all actions and execute all documents or agreements necessary to comply with federal tax and securities laws, which documents or agreements may have a term coextensive with the maturity of the bonds authorized hereby, including Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to execute and deliver a continuing disclosure agreement or certificate in connection with the bond or notes, and to comply with the provisions of §§ 16-7-35 to 16-7-47 of the Rhode Island General Laws, 1956, as amended; including making all necessary contracts and agreements to issue said bonds and/or notes or portion thereof through the Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation

SECTION 3. The town council may by resolution authorize in the issue from time to time of interest bearing or discounted notes in anticipation of the issue of bonds under this act or in anticipation of the receipt of federal or state aid for the purposes of this act. The amount of original notes issued in anticipation of bonds may not exceed the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act and the amount of original notes issued in anticipation of federal or state aid may not exceed the amount of available federal or state aid as estimated by the finance director. Temporary notes issued hereunder shall be signed by the finance director and the president of the town council and shall be payable within five (5) years from their respective dates, but the principal of and interest on notes issued for a shorter period may be renewed or paid from time to time by the issue of other notes hereunder, provided the period from the date of an original note to the maturity of any note issued to renew or pay the same debt or the interest thereon shall not exceed five (5) years. Any temporary notes in anticipation of bonds issued under this section may be

refunded prior to the maturity of the notes by the issuance of additional temporary notes, provided that no such refunding shall result in any amount of such temporary notes outstanding at any one time in excess of two hundred percent (200%) of the amount of bonds which may be issued under this act, and provided further that if issuance of any such refunding notes results in any amount of bonds which may be issued under this act, the proceeds of such refunding notes shall be deposited in a separate fund established with the bank which is paying agent for the notes being refunded. Pending their use to pay the notes being refunded, monies in the fund shall be invested for the benefit of the town by the paying agent at the direction of the finance director in any investment permitted under Section 5. The monies in the fund and any investments held as part of the fund shall be held in trust and shall be applied by the paying agent solely to the payment or prepayment of the principal of and interest on the notes being refunded. Upon payment of all principal of and interest on the notes, any excess monies in the fund shall be distributed to the town. The period for which bonds may be issued under this act need not be reduced by the period of any temporary loans hereunder. The proceeds derived from the sale of such temporary notes shall be used only for the purposes for which the proceeds bonds issued under this act may be used. The town may pay the principal of and interest on notes in full from other than the issuance of refunding notes prior to the issuance of bonds pursuant to Section 1 hereof. In such case, the town's authority to issue bonds or notes in anticipation of bonds under this act shall continue provided that: (1) the town council passes a resolution evidencing the town's intent to pay off the notes without extinguishing the authority to issue bonds or notes; and (2) that the period from the date of an original note to the maturity date of any note shall not exceed five (5) years.

SECTION 4. Pending any issue of bonds or notes hereunder, the finance director, with the approval of the town council, may, to the extent that bonds or notes may be issued hereunder,

apply funds in the treasury of the town for the purposes specified in Section 2, such advances to be repaid without interest from the proceeds of bonds or notes subsequently issued or from the proceeds of applicable federal or state assistance or from other available funds.

SECTION 5. Any proceeds of bonds or notes issued hereunder or of any applicable federal or state assistance, pending their expenditure, may be deposited or invested by the finance director in demand deposits, time deposits or savings deposits in which are members of the federal deposit insurance corporation, in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or State of Rhode Island, or by an agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of either of them, or as may be provided in any other applicable law of the State of Rhode Island or resolution of the town council or pursuant to an investment policy of the town.

SECTION 6. Any accrued interest received upon the sale of bonds or notes hereunder shall be applied to the payment of the first interest due thereon. Any premiums arising from the bonds or notes hereunder shall, in the discretion of the finance director, be applied to the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder to the extent not otherwise provided, to the payment of the cost of the projects, to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes issued hereunder or to any one or more of the foregoing. The cost preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may also, in the direction of the finance director, be met from bond or note proceeds exclusive of premiums and accrued interest or from other monies available therefor. Any balance of bond or note proceeds remaining after payment of the cost of the projects and the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing bonds or notes hereunder may be applied to the payment of the principal of or interest on bonds or notes hereunder. To the extent permitted by applicable federal laws, any earnings or net profit realized from the deposit or investment of funds hereunder shall upon receipt be added to and used for the same purposes as the proceeds of bonds

or notes issued hereunder or be added to and dealt with as a part of revenues of the town from property taxes. In exercising any discretion under this section, the finance director shall be governed by any instructions adopted by resolution of the town council. The finance director is authorized to take any action deemed by him or her to be necessary to assure that interest on the bonds or notes issued hereunder remains excludable from gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes, including, without limitation, paying to the federal government any rebate of earnings derived from the deposit or investment of the proceeds of such bonds or notes that may be required therefor.

SECTION 7. All bonds and notes issued under this act and the debts evidenced thereby shall be obligatory on the town in the same manner and to the same extent as other debts lawfully contracted by it and shall be excepted from the operation of Section 45-12-2 of the General Laws. No such obligation shall at any time be included in the debt of the town for the purpose of ascertaining its borrowing capacity. The town shall annually appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the principal and interest coming due within the year on bonds and notes issued hereunder to the extent that monies therefor are not otherwise provided. If such sum is not appropriated, it shall nevertheless be added to the annual tax levy. In order to provide such sum in each year and notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, all taxable property in the town shall be subject to ad valorem taxation by the town without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 8. Any bonds or notes issued under the provisions of this act, if properly executed by officers of the town in office on the date of execution, shall be valid and binding according to their terms notwithstanding that before the delivery thereof and payment therefor any or all of such officers shall for any reason have ceased to hold office.

SECTION 9. The town, acting by resolution of its town council, is authorized to apply for, contract for and expand federal or state advances or other grants or assistance which may be available for the purposes of this act, and any such expenditures may be in addition to other monies provided in the act. To the extent of any inconsistency between any law of the State and any applicable federal law or regulation, the latter shall prevail. Federal and State advances, with interest where applicable, whether contracted for prior to or after the effective date of this act, may be repaid as project costs under Section 2.

SECTION 10. Bonds and notes may be issued under this act without obtaining the approval of any governmental agency or the taking of any proceedings or the happening of any conditions except as specifically required by this act for such issue. In carrying out any project financed in whole or in part under this act, including where applicable the condemnation of any land or interest in land, and in the levy and collection of assessments or other charges permitted by law on account of any such project, all action shall be taken which is necessary to meet constitutional requirements whether or not such action is otherwise required by statute, but the validity of bonds and notes issued hereunder shall in no way depend upon the validity or occurrence of such action.

SECTION 11. After completion of the projects, all or any portion of the authorized but unissued authority to issue bonds and notes under this act may be extinguished by resolution of the town council, without further action by the General Assembly.

SECTION 12. The question of the approval of this act shall be submitted to the electors of the town of Jamestown at the general election to be held on November 6, 2018. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form: "Shall an act, passed at the 2018 session of the General Assembly, entitled 'An Act Authorizing the Town of Jamestown to Issue

Construction, Replacements, Renovations and/or Other Improvements and Related Equipment at the Jamestown Public Schools, the Jamestown Golf Course and the Jamestown Philomenian Library' be approved?" The warning for election shall contain the question to be submitted. The town board of canvassers may combine any two or more voting districts for the election and when so combined shall be treated as a voting district. If so combined, the town board of canvassers shall advertise the combination of districts in a newspaper of general circulation in the town. From the time the election is warned and until it is held, it shall be the duty of the town clerk to keep a copy of this act available at the clerk's office for public inspection, but the validity of the vote taken at the election shall not be affected by this requirement.

SECTION 13. This section and section 12 shall take effect upon the passage of this act. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon the approval of the question listed in Section 12 hereof by a majority of those voting on the question at the election prescribed by the foregoing section.

#### **EXPLANATION**

OF

### AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_TO FINANCE CONSTRUCTION, REPLACEMENTS, RENOVATIONS AND/OR OTHER IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AT THE JAMESTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, THE JAMESTOWN GOLF COURSE AND THE JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY

This act authorizes the Town of Jamestown to issue not more than \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_bonds and notes to finance various improvements and related equipment at the town of Jamestown's schools, golf course and library.

Sections 12 and 13 would take effect upon the passage. The remainder of this act would take effect upon the approval by the electors of the town of the question provided in Section 12.

# TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TAX ASSESSOR

March 14, 2018

Andrew Nota Jamestown Town Administrator 93 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835

Re: Revaluation Recommendation

Dear Mr. Nota:

On January 26, 2018 we opened the following three bids for our Statistical Revaluation of property values as of December 31, 2018:

Tyler Technologies

\$64,800

Northeast Revaluation

\$62,800

VGSI (Vision)

\$51,000

As our current CAMA vendor, Vision has provided us with professional revaluation services since 2009. They are the largest New England based provider of revaluation services and software, with their CAMA software installed in 450 assessing offices, including 28 in the State of Rhode Island. They have completed 200 valuation projects throughout New England, with 25 in Rhode Island, during the last five years using Vision software. Their Project Manager, Steve Ferreira, is familiar with our community, having managed our previous three revaluation projects, in 2009, 2012 and 2015. He has over 30 years of revaluation experience/supervision, specializing in waterfront communities.

Vision is highly regarded in the assessment community, with strong customer references. Fifty percent of Vision's clients have been with them for over 20 years. In addition, they possess the financial resources and skills to successfully complete our project. Their Senior Appraisal personal averages 20 years of experience and are committed to continuing their appraisal education and a continued corporate goal to develop new technology and innovative management techniques. Therefore, it is my recommendation that we award the contract for this project to the low bidder, Vision Government Solutions, Inc. (VGSI) at a price of \$51,000.

Respectfully,

Christine Brochu

Christine Brochu

Tax Assessor

STATISTICAL REV	ALUATION A	AS OF 12-31-18 - de	tail			
DATE: January 26	5, 2018					
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Current						
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will no longer		\$15,000		Price (\$2,250		
be supported		Requirements:		typical yr		
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		\$15,000			<del></del>	<u> </u>
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		NEWER, AS	\$5,000 (starts			
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Northeast		WINDOWS 7 OR	yrs) UNLIMITED	(\$5,400 total	3 days, (\$750.00	
Revaluation	\$62,800	NEWER	USERS	over 3 years)	per day)	\$98,200
			\$15,000 (Each of	<u> </u>		
			next two years)			
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			software and	Fee, Plus \$1,000		
			data. We will not			1.
			be able to have	\$3,500 one time		\$120,300 with
Tyler		\$15,000 (first	our data on our	fee for "Big	3 days (\$1,000	inferior
Technologies	\$64,800	year)	server.	Room" Website	per day after)	webhosting

Our current Vision 6.5 CAMA software will no longer be supported as of the year 2020.

Conversion to a new software will be required prior to the year 2020.

Vision and Northeast quoted equal pricing for new software which is priced lower than Tyler.

Tyler Technologies only offers a webbased software, which requires a \$15,000 fee annually.

The above total over 3 years column includes the conversion / upgrade fee.

# TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, RI

# A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED INCLUSION OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC REGION IN THE 2019-2024 NATIONAL OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Ocean and Energy Management (BOEM) in the U.S. Department of Interior has released the 2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Draft Proposed Program, a draft program proposal for offshore oil and gas leasing for the next five years; and

WHEREAS, the proposal would open the federal waters of the North Atlantic region to oil and gas exploration and drilling, an area that begins just three miles off the coasts of New Jersey through Maine, within which the State of Rhode Island is centrally situated; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Islanders have long relied upon New England's marine environment as a source of food, jobs, and recreation and, through strong laws and leadership at the state and local levels, have conserved and protected our fisheries, habitats, and coastal resources; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island's commitment to sound marine and coastal stewardship has reaped enormous cultural, environmental, and economic benefits for the citizens of the State, with healthy coastal communities, a vibrant Narragansett Bay, a thriving tourist industry, and productive fisheries all serving as hallmarks of the Ocean State; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island has long been committed to sound ocean planning as a basis for accommodating new, sustainable ocean uses such as wind energy and is home to the nation's first offshore wind farm; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island recognizes and is acting upon the need to ensure that its coastal communities are resilient in the face of rising sea levels and other impacts associated with climate change; and

WHEREAS, oil and gas drilling has never been viewed as compatible with our state and regional interests and thus has been removed from consideration for decades; and

WHEREAS, prior experience has shown the devastating consequences of oil spills; and

WHEREAS, now, more than ever, Rhode Islanders, in every community, stand opposed to the use of our offshore waters to oil and gas drilling;

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, we, united in our determination to protect our cultural heritage, our marine ecosystem, and our economic future, hereby call upon the Secretary of the Interior to remove the North Atlantic region from consideration for oil and gas exploration and drilling.

Ly resolution of the Charlestown Town Council at a meeting held on March 12, 2018.

Any Rose Weinreich, CMC Town Clerk

#### TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION

March 6, 2018

# I. CALL TO ORDER

The work session of the Jamestown Town Council for review of the Capital Budget was called to order by President Trocki at 6:03 p.m. in the Rosamond A.Tefft Council Chambers of the Jamestown Town Hall at 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown.

### II. ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

Kristine Trocki, President

Michael White, Vice-President Mary Meagher Blake E. Dickinson Eugene Mihaly

Also present:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator
Christine Collins, Finance Director
Cheryl Fernstrom, Town Clerk
Michael Gray, Public Works Director
Lisa Bryer, Town Planner
James Bryer, Fire Chief
Howard Tighe, Deputy Fire Chief
Edward Mello, Police Chief
Andrew Wade, Parks & Recreation Director

#### III. TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION

President Trocki thanked Mr. Nota, Christina Collins and his staff for all the work and effort put into the presentation of the power point. Mr. Nota acknowledged that it was a team effort. Town Administrator Nota explained the primary focus of a Capital Program is to provide a broad based community needs assessment for budget year 2018-19. The second element is the development of an implementation schedule that addresses the community needs assessment priorities and the final action is to evaluate the Town's financial ability to manage and finance the costs. The Capital Program identifies projects and equipment purchases and includes all facilities and infrastructure for the whole Town. The proposed budget is \$1,163,025, a decrease of \$68,650 over last year.

Debt Service Requirements were reviewed. Total debt service proposed is \$951,397, an increase of 0.23%. Our debt limit is \$68,002,232, our bonded debt is \$9,254,992, so we are well below our legal debt limit.

**General Government:** Replace carpeting, door repairs and interior painting. \$25,000 is proposed. It is important to stay with repairs to avoid major repairs down the road.

**Town Clerk:** The clerk's office needs to expand the vault storage and allocated \$15,000 last year and again \$15,000 this year for Vault Shelving.

**Tax Assessor:** Revaluation set aside is \$10,000, with statistical revaluations for 2018 and a full revaluation for 2021. Average cost for statistical is \$65,000 of which the state will reimburse \$39,000 and \$140,000 for full Revaluation with no reimbursement.

**Planning:** \$15,000 is proposed for Planning and Development Documents which includes a Zoning Ordinance update and an additional \$75,000 for Affordable Housing. Zoning needs to be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Jamestown.

**Technology:** \$72,500 is proposed for the IT budget to include \$18,000 for Fiber Network-Phase IV (Water Towers); \$36,500 for Annual Information Technology; and \$18,000 for North end Cell Tower (Engineering/Site Study). Looking at Town owned properties.

**Police:** \$40,500.00 proposed for vehicle replacement.

**Fire Department and EMS:** \$143,200 is proposed for the Fire and EMS Services to include \$59,200 for Radio/Pager Replacements; \$50,000 for Phase I Conversion to Radio call boxes; \$24,000 for power load Patient Stretchers; \$10,000 for 2 laptops for EMS reporting.

**Public Works:** In December 2014 the data from the November 2011 inventory of the condition of the Town roads was updated. Of the 50 miles of Town roads, 59% are in good or excellent condition, 23% are in poor or failed condition and 18 % are in fair condition. The focus this year will be on North Main Road and streets in the area including part of Beacon Ave. Rosemary Ln., and Carr Ln. Also Grinnell St. after sewer work is done and lower Pemberton because the condo work is now complete. Included in the \$140,000 is the path project along the entire project from West Reach to Reservoir property for the bike path. All the work has been done by our highway department saving the tax payers much money. Sidewalks are being done in increments with a budget of \$20,000 for this year. We save the Town's people a lot of tax money by fixing the sidewalks in increments and by using our own highway laborers. The town has done preliminary analysis for Solar Feasibility on municipal buildings. The assessment is grouped into three groups with cost, grants, net cost, payback and savings. Fort Getty projects are proposed at \$75,000 to build a reserve to include work on Pavilion Project Completion, Building improvements, Waterfront Improvements, and Historical Military structures. Public works is requesting funds for a small carpenter shop to do off season projects. Total proposed is \$550,000.

**Library:** Town is looking at spending around \$1,500,000+ in the next couple of years in needed repairs. Alternate proposed budget is \$100,000 including \$10,000 for carpet replacement; \$5,000 exterior painting; \$40,000 restroom rehabilitation; \$20,000 electrical/lighting/energy upgrades;

\$20,000 area furnishings; \$5,000 building insulation. These would be included in the \$1,500,000+ if a bond should go forward.

**Parks and recreation:** The proposed budget is \$50,000. The improvements include \$5,000 Public ROW Management to build the boardwalk to Hull Cove; \$15,000 Equipment; \$10,000 Eldred Avenue field improvements, we are presently awaiting word on a \$300,000 grant to make improvements, build restrooms similar to Beavertail; \$20,000 Senior Center Improvements including HVAV system.

Golf Course Clubhouse Facility: Plans included for 2 story and 1 story plans only for personal review.

### IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss Town Council President Trocki adjourned the work session at 7:55 p.m.

Attest:

Karen Montoya, Deputy Town Clerk

Copies to:

Town Council

Town Administrator Town Solicitor Finance Director

#### **TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

March 8, 2018

### I. ROLL CALL

Town Council members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President Michael G. White, Vice President Mary E. Meagher Blake A. Dickinson Eugene B. Mihaly

School Committee members present:

Bruce J. Whitehouse, School Committee Chair Sarah R. Baines, School Committee Vice Chair Agnes C. Filkins Sally F. Schott Dorothy S. Strang

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator
Christina Collins, Finance Director
Ken Duva, Superintendent
Erica Dickson, Director of Student Services
Nate Edmunds, Lawn School Principal
Carole Petersen, Melrose School Principal
Samira Hakke, Director of Technology
Peter Anderson, Director of Buildings and Maintenance
Denise Gamon, Assistant Clerk

## II. CALL TO ORDER

A) Joint Town Council and School Department Budget Work Session and Hearing for FY 2019 was called to order by President Trocki 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Duva gave a Power Point presentation of the School Department Operating and Capital budget, beginning with the Mission Statement and the FY 2019 budget goals. Review of cost fluctuations since adoption of the budget were noted, which include health and dental insurance premiums, heating fuel, transportation, and out of district tuition rates.

The Proposed FY 2019 Operating Budget is \$12,779,566, an increase of \$639,013 or +5.26%. Major costs include contractual obligations, salaries, benefits; State and federal mandates and regulations; tuitions, transportation and plant operations. Proposed budget breakdown follows:

Lawn School	\$3,729,367
Melrose School	\$4,287,955
System wide	\$1,103,913
Out- of-District	\$3,432,483
Retirees	\$ 225,848
Contingency	<b>\$</b> 0

Projected Enrollment: Melrose School 263 Lawn School 222

High School 191

High School Tuition Summary: General Education \$2,126,160

Special Education \$ 235,527
Career and Technical \$ 226,865
Out of District Special Education \$ 497,714
Charter Schools \$ 60,132

\$3,146,398

Increase of \$262,162 from FY'18 budget: Tuitions = 24.62% of total FY'19 budget

Student Services: Budget reflects commitment to high standards, high quality programs and services based on student's needs, full regulatory compliance and fiscal responsibility.

Key Budget Factors include: Federal and State regulations IEP requirements and ADA 504 compliance, Special education salaries and benefits, and out-of-district tuitions and transportation costs. Evaluations/homebound instruction. The proposed FY'19 budget is based on anticipated placement tuition and corresponding transportation costs of known students. Special Education out-of-district placements are:

Pre-K Grade 8	2
Grades 9 – 12	2
12+ through age 21	<u>3</u>
TOTAL Anticipated	7

Proposed FY 2019 Capital Improvements as follows:

Melrose School	\$ 65,000
Lawn School	\$ 85,000
Technology	\$ 16,825
TOTAL Capital	\$166,825

Conclusion: Major unknowns are; Level of funding from federal grants and State of RI, State out-of district transportation costs, future cost of fuel/energy, new students including military enrollment, services required for new students, tuition costs and number of high school students attending schools of choice.

# Revenue Assumptions:

\$ 55,000
\$505,888
\$ 95,000
\$130,000
\$225,848

Balance

FY 2019 anticipated local appropriation needed	\$ 11,766,830
FY 2018 Actual	\$ 11,196,365

Increase of \$570,465(or +5.10%)\$

Superintendent Ken Duva thanked the Town Council for their support.

No motions were made by the Town Council or School Committee members, but they reacted positively to the presentation.

Council President Kristine Trocki thanked everyone for attending this evening.

### Public Comment:

Colby Engberg of 118 Hamilton Avenue, Grade 5, Lawn Avenue School inquired if the schools are doing so well, why do you keep investing money into them? Superintendent Duva and School Committee Chair Whitehouse explained to Colby the expenditures to his satisfaction.

# III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the budget work session was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Attest:

Denise Gamon, Assistant Clerk

Copies to: Town Council Town Administrator Town Solicitor Finance Director

# TOWN COUNCIL/ SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORK SESSION

March 15, 2018

#### I. ROLL CALL

Town Council members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President Michael G. White, Vice President Mary E. Meagher Blake A. Dickinson Eugene B. Mihaly

School Committee members present:

Bruce J. Whitehouse, School Committee Chair Sarah R. Baines, School Committee Vice Chair Agnes C. Filkins Sally F. Schott Dorothy S. Strang

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator
Christina Collins, Finance Director
Jane Littlefield, Director of Finance
Ken Duva, Superintendent
Nate Edmunds, Lawn School Principal
Carole Petersen, Melrose School Principal
Denise Gamon, Assistant Clerk

# II. CALL TO ORDER

A) Joint Town Council and School Department Work Session for the Proposed School Construction – 5 Year Plan was called to order by School Committee Chair Whitehouse at 7:05 p.m.

Superintendent Duva gave a Power Point presentation of the School Department's Proposed School Construction – 5 Year Plan:

Each facility was assigned a Facility Condition Index (FCI) as a general indicator of a building's health. In K-12 public school planning, facilities with an FCI less than ten percent (<10%) are considered GOOD, ten to sixty percent (10% - 60%) are considered FAIR, and greater than sixty percent (>60%) are considered POOR condition. Jamestown School District had an overall FCI index of 42.7%.

# ❖ Necessity of School Construction:

- It is a mutli-stage application that requires LEAs to conduct thorough facility assessments toward the creation of an efficient and prudent master plan
- The application is reviewed, vetted, and prioritized by the School Building Authority, RIDE.
- The SBA Advisory Board will recommend projects for approval by the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education.
- Approved projects are eligible for State Aid Housing Aid Reimbursement.

# **Stages of Application:**

- LEAs submit a letter of intent, as well as a commitment to follow the School Construction Regulations and all applicable statutes and regulations.
- LEAs conduct facility conditions assessments, prepare demographic projections, and provide educational programs for each school facility. Through the careful study of these factors LEAs attain a comprehensive understanding of district wide capacity, enrollment trends, and the alignment of existing facilities to the educational program being offered in each school.
- LEAs work with an architectural and engineering team to propose solutions to the identified issues. Develop a schematic design documentation that can be used to provide dependable cost estimates. The scope descriptions and accompanying costs are the basis for establishing a budget. Project descriptions are forwarded to the SBA Advisory Board and the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education.
- B) The following will occur after Council approval in May of 2018:

### Design Review

- Design Review must be conducted for all projects in a multi-year capital improvement plan exceeding \$500,000, regardless of eligibility for Housing Aid
- Reviews are in person with SBA, LEA, A&E Firm
- Schematic Design, design development and construction documents

# Funding

 Approved projects that have completed the Necessity of School Construction process are eligible for State aid through one of two mechanisms: Housing Aid reimbursement of SBA Capital Fund progress payments.

### Asset Protection

- Districts are required to provide annual asset protection plans pursuant to the School Construction regulations eRide.
- Value, Size and Capacity of each building
- Past and future Expenditures (Capital and Maintenance)

# C) Proposed School Construction

- Preventative and predictive maintenance for Melrose and Lawn Schools
- Recommendations from RBG which were submitted in the Stage 2 application

#### Melrose School

- Replace Roof (1)
- Emergency Lights (1)
- Rubber Stair Treads (1)
- Grease Trap in Kitchen (1)
- Refurbish Fuel Storage Tank (1)
- Restroom Stalls (ADA) (2)
- Refurbish HVAC and Controls (2)
- Electric Unit Heater, Unit Vents, Air Handlers, Replace Domestic Hot Water Storage Tank (2)
- Selective Door Repair (2)
- Replace Walk-in Coolers and Freezers (2)
- Pave Parking Lot (3)
- Collaborative Classroom Space
  - Proposed cost is \$2,694,108.88

# Lawn Avenue School

- Replace Roof (1)
- Windows (1)
- Brick Repointing (1)
- Vestibule to Front Entrance/Gym (1)
- Locker Room Changing Stations
- Collaborative Classroom space
- Asbestos Abatement (1)
- Replace Diesel Fuel Tank (1)
- Refurbish Oil Tank (1) Replace Generator (1)
- Electric Panels (1)
- Fire Detection/Alarm Code Compliance (1)
- Repair/Replace HVAC and Controls, Ductwork (2)
- Electric Unit Heater, Unit Vents, Air Handlers (2)
  - Proposed cost is \$4,015,663.70

# D: Proposed Financial Plan

- School fund balance \$846, 468.91
- Bond \$5,863,303.67
- Total \$6,709,772.58

Jamestown will receive 35-40% reimbursement for approved projects completed in the 5 year plan.

The potential reimbursement from RIDE is \$2,348,420.40

Town Administrator Andrew Nota noted 2 key points that are relevant to the Superintendent's presentation

- 1. A formal request from the Chair of the School Committee for the \$5.9 million bond authorization has been forwarded to the Town Council and will be on the Town Council Agenda Monday, April 2, 2018, for placement of the bond on the November 6, 2018 ballot
- 2. Town Financial Director, Christina Collins, has been working with Bond Counsel in regards to 25 year debt schedule for a \$5.9 million bond.
  - The Debt Schedule will be posted on-line.

Town Administrator Andrew Nota shed light on the solar installations for both Lawn Avenue School and Melrose School.

- The value of the installation at Lawn Avenue School is \$511,200
- The value of the installation at Melrose School is \$386,575 for a total of less than \$900,000
- Based on the size of these arrays, the eligibility is 2 maximum reimbursements of \$80,000 for each array for a total of \$160,000
- On average annual savings of \$50,000 \$60,000 based on usage
- Full payback expected in 7-8 years
- The financial benefits are significant

Open Forum for the Town Council to address the School Committee, Superintendent, and Town Administrator

- Discussion continued between committee members as to what the right thing to do was
- School Committee and Town Council Members are in agreement with the recommendations of the Building Committee.
- Town Council Member Dickinson would like to explore other options i.e. a new school/addition onto Melrose to include Pre-K thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- One last option is sending students in grades 6 -8 to the middle schools in North Kingstown and Narragansett

# Open Forum for the public

• Colby Engberg of 118 Hamilton Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Lawn Avenue School addressed the Committees regarding a ceiling tile that has been removed to expose a leaking pipe.

# III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the budget work session was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Attest:

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# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING March 19, 2018

# I. ROLL CALL

Town Council Members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President Michael G. White, Vice President Blake A. Dickinson Mary E. Meagher (arriving at 7:00 p.m.)

Town Council Members absent:

Eugene B. Mihaly

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator
Michael C. Gray, Public Works Director
Mary Lou Sanborn, Library Board of Trustees Chair
Paul Housberg, Library Building Renovation Committee Chair
Kenneth Duva, Superintendent of Schools
Jane Littlefield, School Department Director of Finance
Wyatt A. Brochu, Town Solicitor
Denise Jennings, Water Clerk
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 6:34 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. TOWN COUNCIL SITTING AS THE BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

The Town Council convened as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners at 6:35 p.m. and adjourned from sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners at 6:49 p.m. See Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

# IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None.

# V. PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS

None.

#### VI. **OPEN FORUM**

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

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

- A) Town Administrator's Report: Andrew E. Nota
  - Coyote activity update

Mr. Nota reported Chief Mello is in a meeting in Providence and will provide an update later in the meeting.

A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Vice President White to move this agenda item to follow Item XIII. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Absent; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

#### VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A) Jamestown Philomenian Library Building Renovation Project – Revised Scope of the Library Building Renovation Design; Library Building Committee Chair Paul Housberg and Architect Mohamed Farzan
  - Approval of the Revised Scope of the Library Building Renovation Design; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - Approval for the Placement of a resolution or question on a future 2) Financial Town Meeting Warrant, Special Election Ballot or General Election Ballot for the Library Building Renovation Project; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Chair Housberg gave a brief review of the process to date in three phases: research, schematic design based on space needs, and revised scope of design with a reduced budget.

Architect Mohamed Farzan presented the revised plans for the library renovations. Slide 1 included entrance, bathrooms, flat roof replacement, and mechanical equipment upgrade and replacement for a total of \$1,019,505. Slide 2 included the renovated children's area with addition, young adult area with addition, renovated adult area, staff area addition and new solar energy system for a total of \$1,020,349. The total overall project is approximately \$2 million. Discussion ensued.

Library Trustees Chair Sanborn explained the costs involved and expected reimbursements from the Office of Library Information Services (OLIS), Champlin Foundation, and the Jamestown Philomenian Library Foundation for the \$2 million project overall. The schedule of expenses shows two tables. The table labeled JPL lists expenses considered reimbursable through grant funding and other sources and one labeled JPL Maintenance by Town considered not reimbursable that could be on the FTM Warrant for a Bond. Discussion ensued of the grants, timetable and what will be presented to the voters. Discussion ensued of the proposed solar array and other improvements. The Board of Trustees approved the revised Library Renovation Project at its March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. A decision in April is required in order to move forward with this project this year.

Town Administrator Nota further explained the process and that the project cannot move forward until there is Town Council approval. The \$1 million bond proposed would cost approximately \$75,000 annually. Council members commented they are happy the Trustees are confident they can raise the funds outlined on the JPL table. Discussion continued.

Public comment. None.

A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Councilor Meagher to continue this discussion to the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

- B) Jamestown Golf Course Club House Replacement Project, continued from the March 5, 2018 Town Council Meeting
  - 1) Approval of the Design for replacement of the Golf Course Club House; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 2) Approval for the Placement of a resolution or question on a future Financial Town Meeting Warrant, Special Election Ballot or General Election Ballot for the Golf Course Club House Replacement; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

Town Planner Lisa Bryer gave a brief presentation on the proposed golf course clubhouse replacement that began in 2012 with the Buildings and Facilities Committee review that revealed structural deficiencies and recommendation for building replacement. In 2017 the Council determined the golf course operation is the primary need to be addressed and the building design was scaled back and Council voted to proceed to 50% design. The building location and parking lot were reconfigured, providing the same number of parking spaces. There are two schemes as follows: Scheme 1 is 3,579 square feet dedicated to the golf course facility on one floor with limited multi-purpose space for other activities with a cost estimate of \$2,070,935. Views from the north, south, west and east elevations were displayed and explained. Scheme 2 is two-floor facility with a 2,751 square foot 1st floor and 2,991 square foot 2nd floor with a cost estimate of \$2,930,138. The lower level 1st floor is dedicated to the golf course operation including the Caddy Shack and the 2nd floor has multi-purpose space, porches, meeting space, catering kitchen, and bathrooms. Views from the north, south, west and east elevations displayed and explained. The golf operations can be locked off from the public space to separate the operations during the off-season.

#### Public Comment.

Alma Davenport of Clinton Avenue asked about the square footage for the Pro Shop and was informed it is 17 square feet larger. She asked if the furnishings and equipment were included in the cost estimates and was informed yes they are, except for the furnishings Town Council Meeting

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and equipment provided by the course operator. She asked about debt service increase and was informed it was for the Fire Station Expansion and the new pumper truck. She asked if personnel and other expenses were estimated for a twelve-month facility and was informed this has not been calculated but it is assumed support services used for other town facilities would be engaged for an expanded golf course. Ms. Davenport asked if there are preliminary figures for fixing the greens and the water supply and was informed the greens need repairs and accommodations are being made for this type of capital improvement. Water issues are mainly caused by drainage and sodium levels will be addressed by professionals and the operator.

Town Administrator Nota reviewed his meeting with RIDEM officials regarding the wastewater effluent used to water the greens for over 20 years. A major influence is drainage and water sources. This is an old course and new technologies for greens need to be reviewed. A decision needs to be made in the short term on the building, securing an operator, followed by a collaboration to determine best practices and technologies for the long term.

Derek Blackman of Lincoln Street gave a summary of the golfers' views on the project. The golfers don't believe it is safe to mix golf course operations with passive indoor recreation as proposed with expanded multi-purpose space and no additional parking. The golf course is regarded as a gem and the Mistowski family has provided revenue used to lower taxation with no planned improvements to golf course club house and greens. The golfers oppose the two-story expansion and would like the golf course problems fixed first.

Jean Britton of Sampan Avenue commented the senior population in Jamestown is the largest in the State with less than adequate facilities for them. She doesn't use a computer and feels the *Jamestown Press* should list more information on meeting agendas for public information. She is happy with the proposed 2<sup>nd</sup> floor with multi-purpose space that could be used for Seniors and using revenues from private events to pay part the facility operating expenses.

Linda Jamison of Ocean Ave stated the proposal with the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor doesn't make sense as the current lease is \$170,000 annually and the expanded facility would not bring in revenues in excess of the lease amount.

Priscilla Blackman of Lincoln Street commented it is not right to vote on the two options as there is a 3<sup>rd</sup> option for review that could be addressed. She feels the space currently used as the club house could be rehabilitated, renovated and used. Council members reference detailed reports and information that prove this is not feasible.

Peter Coble of Narragansett Avenue stated he agrees with Priscilla Blackman.

Thomas Shevlin of Hamilton Avenue stated it is wonderful to have a new building, but he would like to see a business plan, fiscal projections, and how it will be paid for prior to moving forward.

Town Administrator Nota addressed the fiscal information and major expenses. The golf course operation is a commercial lease, and until a new operator is known and a lease secured, it is difficult to project income. He didn't think the *Jamestown Press* article was accurate and the revenue from the golf course lease is an ancillary benefit. The existing lease is \$175,000 annually. The estimated debt service for the two-story building at \$2.9 million is \$198,000 annually for 25 years, based on public access and golfers' access and the one floor option would be in the \$160,000 range. Long term course improvements will have to be addressed and paid by the Town. He recommends an additional \$100,000 in the capital improvements budget to address the needed greens and course improvements. Discussion ensued of the tax burden for each option. Based on \$200,000 annually, the debt service for the two-story building would be 8 cents on the tax rate and the cost of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor would be approximately 2 ½ cents on the tax rate.

# Council Comments.

Councilor Meagher stated the Council is not dismissing citizen comments. The facility has been reviewed extensively, it cannot be saved, and the southern section referenced is not worth the cost of needed repairs. She feels the editorial in the *Jamestown Press* did a disservice, as it made it appear the main function for the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor was to rent it to make money. It is not, it is to provide space for citizen activities. She credits efforts by town staff and the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor is the better option as it provides space we can use. Mr. Mistowski prefers the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor design and she supports the two-story scheme.

Councilor Dickinson stated the Town is trying to secure a long-term operator; the more we delay the further away we are from securing a lessee. He calculates that Scheme 1 allocates 35% of its space to the golf course operation, and Councilors disagree with his calculation noting 2/3 of the space is allocated to the golf course operation and 1/3 to multi-purpose space. Councilor Dickinson expressed he does not support this as we have moved away from our responsibility and it should be up to the voters to decide.

Vice President White stated he was on a Council who reviewed this (2010) and it is hard to support rehabbing an old building. The two-floor option allows multi-purpose space on the second floor, though it may not be appropriate for seniors as it is outside of the downtown area. He prefers the two-floor option, Scheme 2, as it is a good plan that will work well for the golfers and the community. It is his intention to build the building and fix the course, and he is willing to put this out for a public vote.

Derek Blackman stated Mr. Mistowski is misquoted, as he stated he prefers a simpler solution. Vice President White agreed, Mr. Mistowski stated he wanted something different, but of the two Schemes, he stated he preferred the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor option.

Mary Lou Sanborn asked if an elevator is included in the design and was informed it is.

Councilor Meagher addressed concerns regarding proper vetting of the project and explained the Council asked for the 50% design for better cost projections.

Linda Jamison asked for clarification as she heard one way to pay for the building would be weddings and community activities. Councilor Meagher stated the *Jamestown Press* editorial made it sound that private events would pay for the facility and that was not accurate. Discussion ensued of putting this before the voters and having educational sessions to inform the voters what is proposed. President Trocki noted this has been discussed since 2012 and it is up to the Council to decide what should be proposed, educate the community through public sessions, and put it before the voters to decide. The first priority is the golf course operation, historically the facility has been used for multi-purpose community space, and this is not proposed as a money making operation but rather to provide a service for the citizens. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to approve the design for the second floor addition. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Nay; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent. Motion passes by a majority vote in the affirmative.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor White to move Item B 2) to the next agenda. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Abstains; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent. Motion passes by a majority vote in the affirmative.

- C) Jamestown School Committee proposed School Construction Project
  - 1) Town Council Support for proposed School Construction Project as requested by the Jamestown School Committee; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 2) Town Council Support for General Assembly enabling legislation for a General Obligation Bond in the amount of \$5.9 million for the proposed school construction, as requested by the Jamestown School Committee; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

President Trocki announced that Superintendent Duva and Director of Finance Littlefield are in attendance. Superintendent Duva is here to answer questions and provide information as needed. Councilor Dickinson expressed strong support for the \$18 million option for an addition to Melrose School and closing Lawn School that is not before us this evening.

A motion was made by Councilor Dickinson with second by Councilor Meagher to support the proposed school construction project requested by the School Committee. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Dickinson to continue C) 2) to the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Town Council Meeting 03-19-2018 Page 6 of 12

# Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

Town Administrator Nota stated Bond Counsel prepared draft Resolutions that can be amended at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for the three projects.

- D) Solarize Rhode Island Jamestown Participation; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 1) Adoption of Resolution No. 2018-05: Relative to Supporting the Goals of Solarize Rhode Island

Town Planner Lisa Bryer gave an overview of the program proposed to educate citizens and businesses on solar energy, get them enrolled in the program, and go out to bid for bulk purchase of solar equipment to secure the lowest prices possible. Planner Bryer will lend her services to the program. Solarize RI will act as a clearing house, with no financial commitment by the Town. Solarize RI reps will at the Sustainability Fair, which may be moved to Thursday due to a predicted snowstorm (decision to me made tomorrow).

President Trocki read the Resolution.

# A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to support the Resolution.

Discussion. President Trocki opened the floor to comments from citizens.

Nancy (last name inaudible) of Gondola Avenue commented on a chemical used in solar panels that is dangerous to the environment where it is mined and it is important to know what that is. Solar farms are being constructed in RI and many acres of trees are being lost. She was informed no trees will be lost for this proposed solar energy project.

Frank Meyer of Southwest Avenue commented Germany is the leader in solar and renewable energy since 2000, comprising 30% of the energy produced. Renewable energy in Germany is about to backfire based on reliance on unreliable energy. Their electric rates are the highest in Europe, have divided the country, and it could happen here. Every solar panel installed is reflected in the bottom line profits for National Grid, and those who do not have solar have to make up the difference, which is estimated at a 3.5% increase every year for 20 years, escalating the cost of electricity to an estimated 50 cents per kilowatt hour. Discussion ensued.

Back to the vote on the motion. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Nay; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent. Motion passes by a majority vote in the affirmative.

E) Upcoming Meetings and Sessions – dates and times

Town Operating Budget Work Sessions on March 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. were noted. Budget adoption is tentatively scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup>.

# IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Town Council Support for House Bill 7385 and Senate Bill 2270 Support for removal of the "Sunset" Provision from the Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Act; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 1) Adoption of Resolution No. 2018-03: Support for the Removal of the "Sunset" Provision regarding the Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Act

Solicitor Ruggiero reviewed the legislation at the last meeting. The Resolution outlines the need for continuing the Act as economic times have not improved enough where it can be released and residents are still experiencing foreclosure and the provisions outlined will assist them.

President Trocki read the Resolution.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to approve the Resolution. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

- B) Veterans Exemptions in the Town of Jamestown request for review by Dennis Webster; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote
  - 1) Adoption of Resolution No. 2018-04: Relative to the Regulation of Property Subject to Taxation Veterans Exemption Increase

Vice President White recuses on this item and files a Conflict of Interest statement.

Town Administrator Nota stated a resolution needs to be adopted if the Council determines any revisions to the veterans' exemptions are needed. Tax Assessor Christine Brochu provided the backup information that indicates where Jamestown stands in comparison to other communities.

Dennis Webster of Mt. Hope Avenue commented even after the generous adjustments made to the veterans' exemptions last year, Jamestown is still near the bottom. Jamestown's veterans do not have a specific request and leave it up to the Council to review the current exemptions. He asked that the Resolution be revised to reflect the same language as RIGL §44-3-4 ". . . honorably discharged from the service, or who was discharged under conditions other than dishonorable. . ." and suggested the Solicitor be consulted regarding the language for consistency.

President Trocki commented on the spectacular accomplishments of our Jamestown veterans and thanked them for their service. Discussion ensued of improving the tax credit to bring Jamestown to the middle of the schedule. Town Administrator Nota stated enabling legislation is required to amend the veterans' exemptions, and the Resolution can be revised and continued to the next meeting.

C) Jamestown Ambulance Barn; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

President Trocki noted this topic was requested by Councilor Dickinson. He would like to begin the discussion so that the public knows what we are considering for this property and others that have value and could potentially derive funds that could be put back into the Town. Council members comment this is a valuable asset in the downtown area that is not losing value, and we are in budget season with many issues that need to be addressed. Discussion ensued. Town Administrator Nota stated we need a real estate appraisal before moving forward with this discussion.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Dickinson to go forward with an appraisal. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

X. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES AND EXPIRING TERMS None.

# XI. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher 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, Absent.

The Consent Agenda approved consists of the following:

- A) Town Council Minutes
  - 1) March 5, 2018 (regular meeting)
  - 2) March 8, 2018 (school budget work session)
- B) Minutes of Town Boards/Commissions/Committees
  - 1) Jamestown Philomenian Library Board of Trustees (02/01/2018)
  - 2) Jamestown Philomenian Library Board of Trustees (02/06/2018)
  - 3) Jamestown Philomenian Library Building Renovation Committee (02/12/2018)
  - 4) Jamestown Planning Commission (01/03/2018)
  - 5) Jamestown Planning Commission (01/17/2018)
  - 6) Jamestown Planning Commission (02/07/2018)
- C) CRMC Notices
  - 1) March 2018 Calendar, revised
  - 2) Meeting Notice for State Assent application filed by Antonio and Joseph Pinheiro CRMC File No. 2014-12-056 on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., Conference Room A, Administration Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence
- D) Finance Director's Report

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

Planner Bryer explained Wednesday's Planning Commission meeting and Sustainability Fair. If it needs to be rescheduled due to weather it will be posted on the doors, on the Town website and around town.

Resolution No. 5 from Charleston is removed from the Communications and Resolutions for discussion and will be on the next meeting agenda.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White to accept the Communications. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

The Communications and Resolutions and Proclamations from other RI cities and towns received consists of the following:

- A) Communications
  - 1) Letter of RIDEM Office of Water Resources re: Project Priority List Request for Projects for State Fiscal Year 2019, due April 10, 2018
- B) Proclamations and Resolutions from other Rhode Island Cities and Towns
  - Resolution of the Warwick City Council in Support of removal of the Sunshine Provision from the Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Act
  - 2) Resolution of the Smithfield School Committee requesting the RI General Assembly support Article 5 of House Bill 7200 to place a referendum before the voters incurring debt of \$250 million for renovation of existing and construction of new schools
  - 3) Resolution of the Glocester Town Council in Support of House Bill 7501 and Senate Bill 2419 relating to the implementation of In Person Early Voting
  - 4) Resolution of the Exeter Town Council in Support of removal of the Sunshine Provision from the Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Act
  - 5) Resolution of the Charlestown Town Council in Opposition to the proposed inclusion of the North Atlantic Region in the 2019-2024 National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program

#### VII. REPORTS

# A) 1) Coyote Activity update

Police Chief Mello updated the Council on a recent coyote attack that killed a domestic cat in the same neighborhood where a dog was attached and killed, and where a number of coyote sightings have occurred. The public information program will continue as we approach the spring season. Last year a resident was addressed for providing food to wildlife, and cleaned up the property. The problem returned and the resident was cited, brought to Court, issued a fine and forced to clean up the property. Monitoring of the area will continue. Sixteen public awareness signs were purchased and are being installed Town Council Meeting

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around town to warn residents. It is important to remind residents to protect pets, keep them indoors after dark, and don't feed them outside.

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

- A) Planning Department/Planning Commission/Affordable Housing Committee Reports (April)
- B) Final report on the Fire Station Rehabilitation Project (April)
- C) Fort Getty Landscape Project/Tree Preservation and Protection Committee Report (April)
- D) Friends of the Jamestown Rights of Way Report (April)
- E) Review of Open Meetings Act (April)
- F) Friends of the Jamestown Seniors (March 26<sup>th</sup>)

Discussion ensued of dates for the above-referenced agenda items and additional topics including: Cell Tower development in the north end and initiating action.

# XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A) Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (5) Real Estate (acquisition of properties for affordable housing); review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote in executive session and/or open session

A motion was made by Vice President White with second by Councilor Meagher to enter into Executive Session at 9:21 p.m. pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (5) Real Estate.

Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (5) Real Estate the following vote was taken: President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Absent.

The Council reconvened the regular meeting at 9:50 p.m. President Trocki announced that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

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

# XV. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Jamestown Town Council adjourned the regular meeting at 9:51 p.m.

Attest:
Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Town Clerk

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Town Administrator Finance Director Town Solicitor

# TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING March 26, 2018

#### I. ROLL CALL

Town Council Members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President Michael G. White, Vice President Blake A. Dickinson Mary E. Meagher Eugene B. Mihaly

Friends of the Jamestown Seniors present:

Ellie Chase
Fred Pease
Larry Bartley
Coffee Bell
Nancy Beye
Don Richardson
Heidi Moon
Tom Tighe
Ed Holland

Kristin Sloan Maccini, Legal Counsel

#### Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator Cristina D. Collins, Finance Director Andrew J. Wade, Parks and Recreation Director Peter D. Ruggiero, Town Solicitor Cheryl A. Fernstrom, Town Clerk

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Council President Trocki called the special meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 5:04 p.m. in the Jamestown Town Hall Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue.

#### II. NEW BUSINESS

A) Organization, direction and interaction between the Town of Jamestown and the Friends of the Jamestown Seniors concerning the provision of senior services in the Town; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote. The meeting was called as a collective discussion to process information so that all parties can have the same information so that all parties are on the same page.

Kristin Sloan Maccini, Legal Counsel for the Friends of the Jamestown Seniors, addressed the meeting, reading a history of the Friends prepared by Ellie Chase. Friends Secretary Larry Bartley addressed the meeting, reading a prepared statement summarizing the Friends activities since 2015, beginning with the Friends request for assistance with maintaining the Grange property, assuming bill payment and insurance coverage for greater cost savings, and execution of an amended and restated lease with the Town as a lessee signed by the Town Administrator on August 30, 2015. Discussion of the relationship continued. The Friends request that issues and concerns be addressed at a future meeting in executive session. Lengthy discussion ensued.

Attorney Maccini commented on the management and operation of senior services in the Town of Jamestown and the Friends request for an executive session to address concerns as outlined in the February 23, 2018 memorandum. President Trocki noted executive session discussions must comply with the Open Meetings Act. Town Solicitor Ruggiero commented on what qualifies for executive session discussion. Lengthy discussion continued as regards what can be discussed in open and closed sessions.

Councilor Mihaly commented this is too large a body to address concerns and a smaller sub-group would be more appropriate. Attorney Maccini agreed with the sub-group concept to address issues and concerns. The list of issues and concerns was distributed for review. President Trocki stated the five areas of concern are manageable and can be addressed collectively, and asked for volunteers for the sub-group. The working group will have open public sessions posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and on the Secretary of State website. The Town Clerk will coordinate the schedule of meeting dates and times. Discussion ensued of membership. It was determined the following will serve on the working group:

Andrew Nota, Town Administrator
Peter Ruggiero, Town Solicitor
Mary E. Meagher, Town Council
Eugene B. Mihaly, Town Council
Ellie Chase, Friends of the Jamestown Seniors
Heidi Moon, Friends of the Jamestown Seniors
Nancy Beye, Friends of the Jamestown Seniors
Kristen Maccini, Friends Legal Counsel

Meetings will be posted on the Town website and at the same locations as Town Council meeting agendas and the *Jamestown Press* was requested to publish meeting dates and times. The working group will determine their task and final deliverable, and the Committee Charge is "The organization, direction and interaction between the Town of Jamestown and the Friends of the Jamestown Seniors concerning the provision of senior services in the Town." Discussion continued. Vice President White commented the process to complete the task should be simple, and this should have been addressed without going to the Town Council.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Vice President White that the product to be created is a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Jamestown and the Friends of the Jamestown Seniors.

Discussion. Until we know the checklist, we shouldn't set a goal. The Friends should have met with Town Administration to address issues and concerns. If an MOU is needed that is fine, but it may take time to complete. A list of issues should be developed first to determine if an MOU is needed. We have two institutions with shifting roles and it will take the collective minds of the group to work out a new and lasting relationship between the Friends and the Town. The deliverable is to meet and work on the list as presented by the Friends at this meeting, address Items 1 through 5, determine what is needed, work out who will perform what duties, and decide what is in the best interest of both sides. If a more legal document is needed the group should come back with that recommendation so the Charge can be revised. All members are prepared to work hard and move this process forward.

No vote was taken on the motion and second.

A motion was made by Councilor Meagher with second by Councilor Dickinson to elect the individuals to this Board: Attorney Kristin Maccini, Town Solicitor Ruggiero, Town Administrator Nota, Nancy Beye, Heidi Keller Moon, Ellie Chase, Councilor Mihaly, and Councilor Meagher, with the two Solicitors and Town Administrator as non-voting members, leaving five voting members. President Trocki, Aye; Vice President White, Aye; Councilor Dickinson, Aye; Councilor Meagher, Aye; Councilor Mihaly, Aye.

Discussion ensued of a timeframe for completion of the task at hand. Three months is a reasonable amount of time for the process, with a status report at the first meeting in May. The Clerk will coordinate with members to determine the first meeting date and time. Copies of the history of the Jamestown Seniors will be made available for anyone interested.

# III. ADJOURNMENT

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

The special meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.	

Cheryl A. Fernstrom, CMC, Town Clerk
Town Council Special Meeting

Attest:

Copies to: Town Council

Town Administrator Town Solicitor Working Group

# TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION March 28, 2018

# I. ROLL CALL

Town Council Members present:

Kristine S. Trocki, President Michael G. White, Vice President Mary Meagher Eugene Mihaly

Also in attendance:

Andrew E. Nota, Town Administrator Christina D. Collins, Finance Director Donna Fogarty, Librarian James Bryer, Fire Chief Steve Tiexiera, Deputy Chief

# II. CALL TO ORDER

The Town Council Operating Budget Work Session Part II was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers of the Jamestown Town Hall at 93 Narragansett Avenue by President Trocki.

# III. TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION

A) Town Operating Budget Part II and Outside Agency Contribution Requests. President Trocki announced that public health agencies would be addressed first and formal requests will be addressed this evening. Town Administrator Nota gave a PowerPoint Presentation to review the Operating Budget continuation and Outside Agency Contribution requests.

1) Social & Civic Agencies		
East Bay Community Action Program	\$2,000.00*	\$3,000.00
Visiting Nurses (Newport)	\$4,000.00	
South County Home Health	\$7,000.00	
Thundermist	\$2,000.00*	\$2,000.00
Prevention Coalition	\$4,000.00	
Housing Hotline	\$1,500.00	
Church Community Housing	\$5,000.00	

<sup>\*</sup>Agencies have requested FY17 appropriation, and consideration for FY18 allocation

Several representatives explained about the programs that they have including Flu clinics, social services, home care programs, hospice, fuel and food assistance, and medical and dental services among other programs.

Church Community Housing: Senior Project Manager, Christian Belden, is requesting \$5,000.00 from the Town to offset the cost of administrating the Regional Revolving Loan Fund.

Chamber of Commerce: Monique Paquin requesting \$4,000.00.

Eastern RI Conservation District: Sara Chervin is requesting \$1,000.00. This agency works to promote a healthy environment and sustainable use of natural resources in coordination with partners and the community, to provide technical, educational and financial resources.

Thundermist: Amanda Barney is requesting \$2,000.00 to support the provision of comprehensive primary care services to Jamestown residents who are most in need.

South County Home Health: Assistant Vice President, Marcia Werber Feldman is requesting \$7,000.00. During the fiscal year 2017, SCHH provided skilled home health intervention to 74 patients in Jamestown, resulting in nearly I,400 visits from nursing, rehabilitation services, nutritionists, medical social worker, telemonitoring and home health aides.

- 2) Fire and EMS Services Proposed increase of \$22,600.00 or 2.92%.
- 3) Library Proposed increase of \$10,239 or 2.16%
- 4) Public Works Department Proposed increase of \$15,401.00 or 7.9%

- B) Open Forum
  - 1) Scheduled to address. None
  - 2) Non-scheduled to address. None.

# IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to address, the work session was adjourned at 7:13

Aftest:

Denise Gamon Assistant Clerk

Copies to:

Town Council

Town Administrator Finance Director Town Solicitor

#### JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

# Minutes of the February 27, 2018 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Zoning Board of Review was held at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The clerk called the roll and noted the following members present:

Richard Boren, Chair
Joseph Logan, Vice-Chair
Dean Wagner, Member
Terence Livingston, Member
Edward Gromada, Member
Marcy Coleman, 1st Alt.
Judith Bell, 2nd Alt.

Also present:

Brenda Hanna, Stenographer Chris Costa, Zoning Officer Pat Westall, Zoning Clerk Wyatt Brochu, Counsel

# MINUTES

# Minutes of January 23, 2018

A motion was made by Joseph Logan and seconded by Dean Wagner to accept the minutes of the January 23, 2018 meeting as presented.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Joseph Logan, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, and Edward Gromada voted in favor of the motion.

Marcy Coleman and Judith Bell were not seated and Lisa Hough was absent.

# CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing at this time.

#### OLD BUSINESS

# Clancy

A motion was made by Marcy Coleman and seconded by Dean Wagner to continue the request of David A. & Jennifer R. Clancy to the April 24, 2018 meeting.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada and Marcy Coleman voted in favor of the motion.

Joseph Logan and Judith Bell were recused and Lisa Hough was absent.

# NEW BUSINESS

#### Johnson

A motion was made by Edward Gromada and seconded by Richard Boren to grant the request of Robert Johnson, whose property is located at Steamboat Ave., and further identified as Assessor's Plat 5, Lot 94 for a variance from Article 82, Section 308, (Setbacks from freshwater wetlands). Applicant also seeks a special use permit from Section 82-314 (High Groundwater Table and Impervious Overlay District) to construct a two bedroom home 95.1 ft. from the wetland (50 ft. required).

Regarding this request, this Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 600

Regarding the request for a Variance, this Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 606, PARAGRAPHS 1 through 4, and SECTION 607, PARAGRAPH 2.

Regarding the request for a Special Use Permit, this Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 602.

In particular reference to ARTICLE 6, SECTION 600, PARAGRAPH 602.

The Planning Department voted unanimously to recommend approval by the Zoning Board.

D.E.M. acknowledged that no permit is required.

This Variance is granted with the following restriction(s):

This project must be constructed in strict accordance with the site and building plans duly approved by this Board.

This motion is based on the following findings of fact:

- 1. Said property is located in a R40 zone and contains 7,200 sq. ft.
- 2. The 50 foot set back from the High Water Table be adhered specifically.
- 3. No one testified in favor and no one testified against.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Joseph Logan, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, and Edward Gromada voted in favor of the motion.

Marcy Coleman and Judith Bell were not seated and Lisa Hough was absent.

# Dumpling

A motion was made by Joseph Logan and seconded by Terence Livingston to grant the request of Dumpling Land LLC, whose property is located at 28 Dumpling Drive, Jamestown, Rhode Island, and further identified as Tax Assessor's Plat 10, Lot 111 for a Variance, pursuant to Article 6, Sections 82-600 and 82-605, from Article 3 Section 82-302, Table 3-2, District dimensional regulations, for a front yard setback of 24.8 feet where 40 feet is required and a South Side yard setback of 15.7 feet where 30 feet is required. This application also seeks relief from Section 82-308 (A), setback from freshwater wetlands where the proposed OWTS system will be 59 feet from a wetland edge where 150 is required. The application also seeks a Variance from Article 7, Section 82-705, Alteration of a nonconforming structure, in order to perform the proposed modifications as the current structure is approximately 1 foot over the front property line, 21.4 feet off the North Side yard and 14.1 feet off the South side yard property line. The Applicant requests this relief in order to remove the existing structure and replace it with a structure that is more conforming.

This Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 600, SECTION 606, and SECTION 607, PARAGRAPH 2.

This Variance is granted with the following restriction/condition(s):

This project must be constructed in strict accordance with the site and building plans duly approved by this Board.

This motion is based on the following findings of fact:

- 1. Said property is located in a RR80 Zone and contains 33,930 square feet.
- 2. The proposed plan significantly reduces the non-conformity.
- 3. The house has been located as far as possible from the front property line.
- 4. There were no objectors.
- 5. The proposed OWTS will be 59 feet from the wetland edge, in conformance with the new zoning ordinance.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Joseph Logan, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada, and Marcy Coleman voted in favor of the motion.

Dean Wagner was recused and Judith Bell was not seated and Lisa Hough was absent.

#### Colognese

A motion was made by Terence Livingston and seconded by Richard Boren to grant the request of Andrea Colognese et Doriana Carella, whose property is located at 2 Watson Avenue, and further identified as Assessor's Plat 8, Lot 774 for a Special use permit from Article 6, Section 82-601 Special Use Permits and Article 3 table 3-1 Restaurant with Alcohol beverages to obtain the right to sell alcoholic beverages at Village Hearth bakery/café, with no other changes in already permitted operation.

This Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTIONS 600 and 602.

This motion is based on the following findings of fact:

- 1. Said property is located in a CL zone and contains 7000 sq. ft.
- 2. That the applicant shall only be allowed to serve wine and beer.
- 3. That wine and beer can only be served between the hours of 12 p.m. and 8 p.m., Friday, Saturday, and Sunday only.
- 4. The wine and beer can only be consumed inside the establishment.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Joseph Logan, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, and Edward Gromada voted in favor of the motion.

Marcy Coleman and Judith Bell were not seated and Lisa Hough was absent.

# Hamlin

A motion was made by Terence Livingston and seconded by Joseph Logan to continue the request of Geoffrey Hamlin to the March 27, 2018 meeting.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Joseph Logan, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada, and Marcy Coleman voted in favor of the motion.

Dean Wagner was recused and Judith Bell was not seated and Lisa Hough was absent.

# Parent

A motion was made by Terence Livingston and seconded by Dean Wagner to continue the request Roland and Barbara Parent to the March 27, 2018 meeting at the request of their attorney Christian Infantolino.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Richard Boren, Joseph Logan, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, and Edward Gromada voted in favor of the motion.

Marcy Coleman and Judith Bell were not seated and Lisa Hough was absent.

# ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Town of Jamestown as an abutter.

Town Property: Plat 8, Lot 530.

# TOWN OF JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 24, 2018, AT THE JAMESTOWN TOWN HALL 93 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE, JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND AT 7:00 P.M. UPON THE FOLLOWING:

Application of Mains'l Properties, LLC, whose property is located at 244 & 252 Narragansett Ave., and further identified as Assessor's Plat 8, Lots 2 & 463 for a variance from Article 6, Section 82-607, Article 7, Section 82-705, and Article 3, Section 82-302 Table 3-2 to change lot line resulting in relief of rear yard setback of 1.4' on lot 683 housing boat yard boat barn and increase lot coverage by 6%. Construct 14'x 22'6" sunroom on lot 2 with 15' front setback where 30' is required. Said property is located in a CW zone and contains 17590 sq. ft., lot 2 6255 sf., lot 463 11,335 sf.

BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW RICHARD BOREN, CHAIRMAN CHRIS COSTA, ZONING OFFICER

This meeting location is accessible to the physically challenged. Hearing or speech impaired individuals requiring the services of an interpreter should call 1-800-745-5555 not less than 3 business days prior to the meeting.

Town of Jamestown as an abutter.

Town Property: Plat 7, Lot 172.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 24, 2018, AT THE JAMESTOWN TOWN HALL 93 NARRAGANSETT AVENUE, JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND AT 7:00 P.M. UPON THE FOLLOWING:

Application of A. Louis Mariorenzi, whose property is located at 216 East Shore Rd., and further identified as Assessor's Plat 7, Lot 97 for a variance from Article 3, Section 82-302 Table 3-2 Accessory Buildings Front yard setback & 82-311 max size of accessory building to construct 50'x 20' garage addition with a 20' front yard setback where 40' is required and resulting in a accessory structure of 3970 sq. ft. where 1200 is allowed. Said property is located in a R80 zone and contains 3.13 acres.

# BY ORDER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW RICHARD BOREN, CHAIRMAN CHRIS COSTA, ZONING OFFICER

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State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Coastal Resources Management Council Oliver H. Stedman Government Center 4808 Tower Hill Road, Suite 116 Wakefield, RI 02879-1900

(401) 783-3370 Fax (401) 783-3767

# **AGENDA**

Semi-Monthly Meeting – Full Council Tuesday, March 27, 2018; 6:00 p.m. Administration Building; Conference Room A One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908

**Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting** – February 13, 2017 & February 27, 2018 **Subcommittee Reports Staff Reports** 

Coastal Education Series – Jason Grammit – Rhode Island Ethics Commission

# <u>APPLICATIONS REQUESTING MODIFICATION OF ASSENT BEFORE THE FULL</u> COUNCIL FOR DECISION:

2014-12-056 ANTONIO & JOSEPH PINHEIRO -- Modify an aquaculture assent to include float the 595 bottom cages permitted on their 2 acre site (the current assent allows for 115 floating cages) for a potential maximum of 710 floating cages. An additional modification request is to allow bottom planting (no gear) of oysters on site. The requests of mesh size and seed size modifications do not need assent changes. Located near Dutch Island Harbor, Narragansett Bay, Jamestown, RI.



March 22, 2018

Councilor Krisine S. Trocki 93 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835

Dear Councilor Trocki:

My name is Jane Koster and I am a resident of Jamestown. I am president of the League of Women Voters of Rhode Island and represent the League on various coalitions. The League is working with a coalition of groups and individuals to support legislation creating a system for in-person early voting in Rhode Island. The League of Women Voters is requesting you to introduce a resolution (see attached) to the Jamestown Council showing support for early voting in Rhode Island at the next meeting of the Council.

The League of Women Voters believes and is advocating for in-person early voting in Rhode Island. At least 34 states and the District of Columbia offer their citizens early voting, and more than 46 million Americans used early voting in 2016. This resolution supports legislation proposed by Secretary of State Nellie Gorbea that would replace the emergency mail ballot period with in-person early voting beginning in 2019. The League of Women Voters believes that it would benefit voters and election administrators alike.

If you have any questions regarding my request, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely, Jane W. Koster, President

League of Women Voters of Rhode Island

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# **Draft Resolution Supporting In-person Early Voting**

WHEREAS, Secretary of State Nellie Gorbea has once again submitted legislation to be introduced to establish a formal early voting process in the State of Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, at least 33 states, plus the District of Columbia provide citizens with an opportunity to vote early and in-person without an excuse and nationally 46% of voters cast their ballots in advance of Election Day in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island saw more than 15,000 voters cast emergency mail ballots in 2016, up from less than 6,000 in 2012 during the 20-day period prior to Election Day; and

WHEREAS, the significant increase in mail and emergency mail ballots has created administrative and logistical challenges for local and state election officials; and

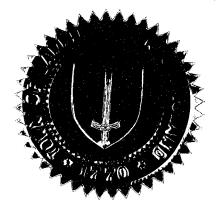
WHEREAS, in-person early voting will ease some of the stresses on the voting system on Election Day and provides an opportunity for early identification and correction of registration errors, and

WHEREAS, this legislation will make it easier for Rhode Islanders to vote by establishing an early voting period twenty days before a primary or general election, including the weekend before a primary or election; and

WHEREAS, 2018 – H-7501 and S., have been introduced in the General Assembly and would make voting more accessible for those who wish to vote by establishing a formal in-person early voting period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the \_\_\_\_\_ [City/Town] Council hereby endorse and urge passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2018 H-7501 and Senate Bill 2018 S-2419, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS – CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon adoption, copies of this resolution be forwarded to the sponsors of H-7501 and S-2419, as well as the Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, the Majority Leaders of the House and Senate, and all \_\_\_\_\_\_ representatives and senators.



# TOWN OF BARRINGTON, RHODE ISLAND

# A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO H-7198 AND H-7379 AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- ARBITRATION -- CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS

WHEREAS, House Bill H-7198 and H-7379, an Act Relating to Labor and Labor Relations – Arbitration – Continuance of Contractual Provisions are under consideration in the Rhode Island General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, these Bills require that the contractual provisions contained in an otherwise expired collective bargaining agreement with certified school teachers and municipal employees continue until a successor agreement has been reached between the parties; and

WHEREAS, the practical effect of this legislation for Barrington and other Municipalities will be to place an unnecessary burden on the bargaining process between Town officials and certain unions; and

WHEREAS, contracts with unions represent a significant portion of Municipal budgets; and

WHEREAS, these contracts need to be renegotiated from time to time to serve the needs of the Barrington's and other town's citizens; and

WHEREAS, these Bills may force the Town of Barrington to adhere to provisions of a contract long after it has expired; and

WHEREAS, these Bills will have the practical effect of retroactively modifying union contracts that are in place to, among other things, potentially make them permanent, or to require perpetual annual raises when those provision were never the intent of the parties negotiating the agreement; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Barrington Town Council respectfully requests that the House drop from consideration House Bills H-7198 and H-7379

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk is hereby instructed to submit a copy of this resolution to the Town of Barrington's State Senators and State Representatives in the Rhode Island General Assembly, the Senate President, the Speaker of the House, the Executive Director of the Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns, all the Cities and Towns in the State of Rhode Island and the Governor in consideration of their support to defeat this amendment to the General Laws.

The RESOLUTION shall take effect on March 15, 2018.

By resolution of the Barrington Town Council

Michael W Carroll President

Barrington Town Council

Meredith 1. DeSisto, CMC

Barrington Town Clerk