

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
June 23, 2020

I. ROLL CALL

A special meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on June 23, 2020. This meeting was held pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-05, executed by Governor Gina Raimondo and was teleconferenced via Zoom. The public access code to participate by phone was 1 (301) -715-8592 or 1(312) - 626- 6799 or 1(646) - 558- 8656. To participate by computer or mobile app: <https://zoom.us/j/96070128153>. Meeting ID: **96070128153**. Town Council Members present were as follows: Michael G. White, Mary Meagher, Nancy A. Beye, William J. Piva, Jr. and Randy White. Also present Town Administrator Jamie A. Hainsworth, Finance Director Christina D. Collins, Town Solicitor Peter D. Ruggiero, Chief of Police Edward A. Mello, and Town Planner, Lisa Bryer.

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Council President White called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 5:02 P.M. in the Jamestown Town Hall, Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS

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

- A) Approval of Victualing & Holiday License Application
 - 1) Applicant: Walrus & Carpenter Oysters
 - DBA: The Shack at Dutch Harbor Boat Yard
 - Location: 252 Narragansett Avenue

Kevin Cummings from Walrus & Carpenter Oysters explained his request to open in the former Taco Shack to serve Oysters under the previous conditions granted.

Councilor White questioned the hours of operation.

Mr. Cummings explained they will be open from noon to 6 P.M.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Beye to approve the Victualing & Holiday License for Walrus & Carpenter Oysters, DBA: The Shack at Dutch Harbor Boat Yard located at 252 Narragansett Avenue. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

Mr. Cummings thanked the Council.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

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

- A) Review, Discussion and Possible Action on the Authorization of Jamestown Lease Funding for Town Procured Equipment of the Highway Department that was included in FY 2020 Budget

Finance Director Collins advised we had 9 pieces of heavy duty equipment for the highway that was included in this year's budget process. This was a great time to secure funding. She further advised on the bids and securing 1.35% Financing. She further explained wanted to begin process for golf course and fire truck.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to approve the bid of 1.35 % financing of Six Years to JP Morgan. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor Piva, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

Vice President Meagher thanked Finance Director Collins on her work done at the Financial Town Meeting.

Finance Director Collins thanked and advised it was a great team that put this all together.

V. OPEN FORUM- To participate you will press *9 to raise your hand. The meeting moderator will coordinate your participation.

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

- 1) Non-scheduled request to address

No public comment.

Town Administrator Hainsworth advised regarding the former bank parking lot and that conversations have begun to lease the lot, in order to add to the municipal parking. He further explained if an agreement would be met, he would bring to the Council to ratify.

Councilor Piva announced he will recuse from Executive Session.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Potential or Pending Litigation (IBPO Retiree Pension Benefits: File No. Balzer vs. Town of Jamestown, C.A. No. 1:19-cv-00109-WES-PAS. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Town Council may seek to enter into Executive Session for review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote on the following:

- A) Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Potential or Pending Litigation (IBPO Retiree Pension Benefits: File No. Balzer vs. Town of Jamestown, C.A. No. 1:19-cv-00109-WES-PAS

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor White to seal the Minutes of the Executive Session. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor White, Aye

Council President White announced a motion was made in Executive Session authorizing the settlement with Mr. Balzer:

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Beye to adjourn at 5:33 P.M. Vote: President White, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Beye, Aye; Councilor, White, Aye

Attest:

Erin F. Liese, CMC, Town Clerk