

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
March 15, 2021

I. ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on March 15, 2021. 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 Meeting ID 99225053708. To participate by computer or mobile app: <https://zoom.us/j/91422105506>. Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary Meagher, Erik G. Brine, Michael G. White 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, Michael Gray, Public Works Director, Erin Liese, Town Clerk and Denise Gamon, Town Clerk's Assistant

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:36 P.M. held via Zoom, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor Brine to convene as the Board of Water & Sewer Commission Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

See Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

III. TOWN COUNCIL SITTING AS THE BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

A) Approval of Minutes; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote February 16, 2021 (regular meeting)

B) Open Forum – Water & Sewer Matters

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) Scheduled request to address – None

2) Non-scheduled request to address

C) REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

1) Pumping report

2) Town project reports

a) Town Wells

b) Water Treatment Plant

- c) Transfer Pumping/Reservoir
 - d) Distribution System
 - e) Wastewater Treatment Facility
- D) Town Council Adjourns from sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners at 6:46 P.M.

IV. 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) Renewal of Event License Application
 - 1) Applicant: Jamestown Chamber of Commerce
 - Event: Restaurant Outdoor Dining
 - Dates: Extending to April 20, 2021 unless revoked earlier
 - Location: Narragansett Avenue, Narragansett Avenue Municipal Parking Lot & East Ferry Parking Lot

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Brine to approve the Renewal of Event License Application for the Jamestown Chamber of Commerce, Restaurant Outdoor Dining to April 20, 2021 unless revoked earlier with a location of Narragansett Avenue, Narragansett Avenue municipal Parking Lot & East Ferry Parking Lot Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Vice President Meagher to Convene as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

- B) Town Council Sitting as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board

Notice is hereby given by the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown, being the Licensing Board in said Town as provided under Title 3, Chapters 1-12 of the General Laws of Rhode Island 1956, and as amended.

 - 1) Renewal of Approval of Requests for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications in accordance to R.I.G.L 3-5-17, for service and consumption areas valid with Special Event Application of the Chamber of Commerce for Dine Out Event in response to COVID- 19; with proposed Extension to April 20, 2021 unless revoked earlier:
 - a) KALI LLC dba J22 Tap & Table, 22 Narragansett Ave
 - b) Jamestown Beer Holdings LLC dba The Generals Crossing- 34 Narragansett Ave.
 - c) Jamestown Restaurant Group LLC dba Narragansett Café- 25 Narragansett Ave.

A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White to Approve the Renewal of Approval of Requests for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications in accordance to R.I.G.L 3-5-17, for service and consumption areas valid with Special Event Application of the Chamber of Commerce for Dine Out Event in response to COVID- 19; with proposed Extension to April 20, 2021 unless revoked earlier:

- a) **KALI LLC dba J22 Tap & Table, 22 Narragansett Ave**
 - b) **Jamestown Beer Holdings LLC dba The Generals Crossing- 34 Narragansett Ave.**
 - c) **Jamestown Restaurant Group LLC dba Narragansett Café- 25 Narragansett Ave.**
- 2) Renewal of Approval of KALI LLC dba J22 Tap & Table for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications in accordance to R.I.G.L 3-5-17, for service and consumption areas to include property contingent on lease agreement with REGNUM LLC, located at 20 Narragansett Ave. With proposed Extension to April 20, 2021 unless revoked earlier.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Brine to Approve the Renewal of Approval of KALI LLC dba J22 Tap & Table for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications in accordance to R.I.G.L 3-5-17, for service and consumption areas to include property contingent on lease agreement with REGNUM LLC, located at 20 Narragansett Ave. With proposed Extension to April 20, 2021 unless revoked earlier Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

- 3) Approval of a Request of Conanicut Marine Services, Inc. Class G. Liquor License, pursuant to RIGL 3-7-15; for service of liquor no more than 30 minutes prior to scheduled departure for The Jamestown, MV Katherine and the Coastal Queen
- a) The Jamestown
 - b) MV Katherine
 - c) The Coastal Queen

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor R. White to Approve the Request of Conanicut Marine Services, Inc. Class G. Liquor License, pursuant to RIGL 3-7-15; for service of liquor no more than 30 minutes prior to scheduled departure for the The Jamestown, Katherine and The Coastal Queen ferries.

Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor M. White to adjourn from Sitting as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board.

Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

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

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) Town Administrator's Report: Jamie A. Hainsworth-
- 1) Budget F.Y. 2021-2022
 - 2) Covid-19 Status
 - 3) Fireworks Status
 - 4) Letter to Governor concerning CRMC
 - 5) Letter to Director of the Department of Environmental Management, concerning Food Trucks and other concerns at Beavertail State Park
 - 6) Discussion on Ordinances concerning leach law and parking. Listed in the Unfinished section of the agenda for discussion
 - 7) Beavertail Lighthouse becoming surplus property, Memorandum of Understanding between the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association, Town of Jamestown and Department of Environmental Management, Authorize Town Administrator to sign agreement, on Consent agenda
 - 8) Employee Retirements Congratulations for Kevin Deacon, Harry Curfman, and Donna Fogarty

Town Administrator Hainsworth reported on the following:

Budget F.Y. 2021-2022 workshops will be held on Monday, March 29 @ 6:30 P.M., Thursday, April 8 @ 6:30 P.M. and Monday, April 12, @ 6:30 P.M.

COVID-19 testing beginning Friday, March 19, from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. in the rear parking lot of St. Mathew's Church.

The Memorandum of Understanding between the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association, Town of Jamestown and DEM has been submitted.

Kevin Deacon 42 years with the Public Works Department, Harry Curfman 33 years with the Public Works Department and Donna Fogarty 10 years as the Director of the Jamestown Philomenian Library

B) EMA Report: Chief Edward Mello: Regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution
Chief Mello reported on the following:

To date 425 people have been vaccinated with their 1st dose of the vaccine, that includes people age 65+, eligible teachers and all of those seeking to be vaccinated living in HUD supported housing.

Round 2 of 2nd doses to begin distribution this Friday at the Melrose School.

VI. UNFINISHED 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) Upcoming Meetings and Sessions – dates and times
 - 1) Town Council Meeting Schedule: April 5, 2021
 - 2) Schedule Budget Work Sessions

- B) Review, Discussion and Possible Action to extend the Executive Order 2020-1, to April 20, 2021, unless revoked earlier; the continuation of the authorization of the Town Administrator to take any and all necessary actions to implement best practices guidance regarding municipal government actions to curtail the spread of the COVID 19 virus.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Brine to Extend the Executive Order 2020-1, to April 20, 2021, unless revoked earlier; the continuation of the authorization of the Town Administrator to take any and all necessary actions to implement best practices guidance regarding municipal government actions to curtail the spread of the COVID 19 virus. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

- C) Review, Discussion and/or Act regarding Revisions to the Dog Ordinance and Leashing
 - 1) Memorandum from Chief Edward A. Mello dated March 10, 2021
Dog Complaints

152 complaints were received by the JPD. 139 were for roaming dogs and 13 were complaints for dogs being off leash at prohibited times or not under control of the owner.

- D) Review, Discussion and/or Act regarding Resident Sticker Parking
 - 1) Memorandum from Chief Edward A. Mello dated March 10, 2021
Resident Overnight Parking

By ordinance, the Town Council could establish zones, in which the residents of a street within that zone could apply to the Town Council to have their street designated resident sticker required for overnight parking.

- E) Review, Discussion and/or Act regarding Amendments to the Parking Ordinance
This was placed for scheduling a Public Hearing at the same time as Resident Parking.

VII. 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 Action to Order an Advertisement for a Public Hearing for the Request of Riven Rock Inc for a Zone Change and Comprehensive Plan Amendment for Plat 8 Lot 31. The request is further defined as follows: Amend Existing Zoning Map #4; changing Plat 8 Lot 31 from R-40 to R-20; Amend Future Land Use Map #5 to change Plat 8 Lot 31 from Moderate Density Residential to Moderate High Density Residential; changing Plat 8 Lot 31; Amend the Public Water & Sewer Service Area Map #22 to include Plat 8 Lot 31 in the Urban water and Sewer District
 - 1) Memorandum from Duncan Pendlebury, Vice Chair of Planning Commission dated March 8, 2021; Riven Rock Inc, 113-115 Melrose

- 2) Avenue Subdivision, Plat 8 Lot 31
Memorandum from Duncan Pendlebury, Vice Chair of Planning Commission, dated March 8, 2021; 113-115 Melrose Avenue Subdivision; review and recommendation of proposed Zone Change and Comprehensive Plan Amendment
- 3) Memorandum from Duncan Pendlebury, Vice Chair of Planning Commission, dated March 8, 2021; Riven Rock Inc, 113-115 Melrose Avenue Subdivision Plat 8 Lot 31
- 4) Letter from Deborah A. Foppert, Esq; dated July 6, 2020; regarding 113 & 115 Melrose Ave. (Plat 8 Lot 31)
- 5) Map 4 Existing Zoning Town of Jamestown Comprehensive Plan, 2014
- 6) Riven Rock Preliminary Plan Proposed Conditions AP 8 Lot 31
- 7) Riven Rock Presentation to Planning Commission, January 2021
- 8) Letter from Deborah A. Foppert, Esq; dated February 9, 2021; regarding 113 & 115 Melrose Ave. (Plat 8 Lot 31)

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Brine to approve to advertise for a Public Hearing for the Request of Riven Rock Inc for a Zone Change and Comprehensive Plan Amendment for Plat 8 Lot 31, and to place this on the Town Council Agenda for the April 19, 2021 meeting. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor M. White to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

VIII. 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 for review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote. A Consent Agenda item or items may be removed by the Town Council for review, discussion and/or potential action and or vote.

- A) Adoption of Town Council Minutes
 - 1) January 19, 2021 (Regular Meeting)
 - 2) February 3, 2021 (Regular Meeting)
 - 3) February 3, 2021 (Executive Session)
- B) Finance Director’s Report: Christina D. Collins- Comparison of Budget to Actuals as of February 28, 2021
- C) Authorization of the Town Administrator to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the State of Rhode Island, Department of Environmental Management and the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island and the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association
- D) Request of Tax Assessor for Specific Abatements & Addenda of Taxes

MOTOR VEHICLE ABATEMENTS TO 2020 TAX ROLL

13-0096-97M	Motor Vehicle	\$ 80.45
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18-0684-02M	Motor Vehicle	\$100.25
19-0328-02M	Motor Vehicle	\$ 13.33

ABATEMENTS TO 2020 SUPPLEMENTAL TAX ROLL

13-2283-00	Plat 15, Lot 350	\$ 4,066.47
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ADDENDA TO 2020 TAX ROLL

20-0028-35	Plat 14, Lot 165	\$ 125.00
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TOTAL ABATEMENTS		\$ 4,260.50
TOTAL ADDENDA		\$ 125.00

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

The Council may acknowledge any of the listed Communications and Proclamations and Resolutions. Should any member wish to have a conversation on any of the matters, the item will be placed on a future agenda for review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.

- A) Communications Received:
- 1) Copy of Letter to: Peter Alviti, Jr., P.E.
From: Senator Dawn Euer
Dated: March 1, 2021
Re: Improvements to Round Swamp Bridge
 - 2) Copy of Email to: Council President Nancy Beye
From: Wendy (Morris) Fagnoli
Dated: March 3, 2021
Re: Thank you
 - 3) Copy of Letter to: Honorable Governor Daniel McKee
From: Jamie A. Hainsworth, Town Administrator
Dated: March 5, 2021
Re: Coastal Resource Management Council Appointments
 - 4) Copy of Letter to: Janet Coit, Director of DEM
From: Vice President Meagher
Dated: March 2, 2021
Re: Food Trucks in Beavertail
 - 5) Copy of Letter to: Vice President Meagher
From: Janet Coit, Director of DEM
Dated: March 11, 2021
Re: Response to Food Trucks in Beavertail
 - 6) Copy of Letter to: Town Council Vice President Mary Meagher & Town Administrator Jamie Hainsworth
From: Mary Marshall

Dated: March 9, 2021

Re: Food Trucks in Fort Wetherill Park

Vice President Meagher moved to Acknowledge the Communications.

X. OPEN FORUM- To participate you will press *9 to raise your hand.

The meeting moderator will coordinate your participation.

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- A) Scheduled request to address- Sharon Gold- Regarding Climate Change & Vehicle Idling- Email attached dated March 10, 2021
- B) Non-scheduled request to address

Sharon Gold of 53 Conanicus Avenue would like to bring public awareness to lowering carbon emissions.

Tony Pinheiro of Beacon Avenue spent a lot of time and money preparing for a Food Truck at Beavertail.

Frank Meyer of Southwest Avenue stated DEM would need permission from the Department of Interior to have Food Trucks at State Parks, as they have authority over the National Parks Service.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Brine to adjourn at 8:16 P.M. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

Attest:

Denise Gamon, Town Clerk's Assistant