

Special Town Council Meeting April 26, 2021

I. ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on April 26, 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 MEETING ID: 998 8838 8977. To participate by computer or mobile app: <https://zoom.us/j/99888388977> 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 Wyatt Brochu, Police Chief Mello, Fire Chief Jim Bryer and Fire Marshall Howie Tighe

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:30 P.M., held via Zoom, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

- A) Review, Discussion and/or Possible Action and/or Vote to approve, adopt and recommend the FY 2021/2022 (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022) Town Council Budget, as proposed, for consideration at the Annual Financial Town Meeting on June 7, 2021
 - 1) Town Operating and Capital Budget/School Operating and Capital Budget

Town Administrator Hainsworth asked for the indulgence and consideration of the Town Council on two matters that have recently come to light. The first matter having no budget impact, is a request to move \$4,000 from the Civic Organizations line item to Litter Control and Prevention, within the Recreation Department. The second request is regarding the Capital Improvement at the golf course clubhouse. Steve Munger and William Munger, owners of 230 Conanicus Avenue, have a deep concern about the landscaping and the lighting in the parking lot. An estimate of \$50,000 was given by Mike Gray, Director of Public Works to complete the landscaping and lighting in a manner that would be suiting to the neighbors. Town Administrator Hainsworth asked the Council if it was important to them, then to consider adding \$50,000 to the Capital Improvement of the golf course.

Finance Director Christina Collins presented a summary of the Proposed Town & School Budget as of 4/26/2021 (not including the \$50,000 request from Town Administrator Hainsworth)

Town Expenditures	-\$ 28,107.00	*decrease in Healthcare
Town Revenue	-\$ 27,715.00	*decrease in State Revenue Govenors Proposed Budget
Net change	-\$ 392.00	
School Expenditures	-\$242,210.00	*decrease in healthcare and reallocation to Grants
Grant	\$342,190.00	Reallocation from School General Fund
School Revenue	\$ 12,569.00	*INCREASE IN state Aid Govenors Proposed Budget
Grant Revenue	\$342,190.00	*revenue to offset Grant
Net Change	-\$254,779.00	
	-\$255,171.00	

From the original proposed budget, there is now a decrease of \$255,171.00.

Discussion ensued.

Councilor Meagher recommend adding \$15,000 to the Social & Civic Agencies and adding an additional \$1,000 to the Eastern Rhode Island Conservation District.

Councilor Brine recommended adding \$50,000 to the Information Technology Budget, specifically for the Town website redesign.

Town Budget	\$11,625,442.00	
Civic Organizations	\$ 16,000.00	
Capital	\$ 100,000.00	*50K Golf Course/50K Website
Town	\$11,741,442.00	
School Budget	\$14,887,231.00	
Total	\$26,628,673.00	

A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White to approve the total budget of \$26,628,673.00 of which \$14,887,231.00 is for the School Budget and the balance of \$11,741,442.00 is for the Town Budget. 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 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

IV. 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) Follow-up letter to RIDEM Parks and Recreation Administrator Frank Floor to April 7, 2021 meeting with Town and RIDEM representatives re: conditions at Beavertail and Fort Wetherill State Parks, clean-up and removal of debris, invasive plants and graffiti, with cooperative effort by RIDEM and Town of Jamestown

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.

- A) Scheduled request to address
- B) Non-scheduled request to address

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor Brine to adjourn at 7:41 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