###### **Town Council Minutes**

TOWN COUNCIMEETING

**THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2021**

**6:00 P.M.**

**July 1, 2021**

# ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on June 8, 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 (312) – 626 - 6799 or 1(646) – 876 - 9923 or 1 (833) – 548 - 0282 Meeting ID 95383844735. To participate by computer or mobile app: https://zoom.us/j/95383844735**.** Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary Meagher, Michael G. White and Randy White. Town Council Member Absent: Erik G. Brine. Also present Town Administrator Jamie A. Hainsworth, and Town Solicitor Peter D. Ruggiero

# CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m. held via Zoom, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor M. White to sit 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**

1. **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:***

## 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 that the following has been received:

##### Application for a **NEW** **Class B – Victualer Liquor** **License,** as advertised in the *Jamestown Press editions* of June 17th and June 24th and noticed to abutters as follows**:**

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**NEW LICENSE: CLASS B – VICTUALER**

Nine Corporation

dba: Marina Café

3 East Ferry Wharf

Jamestown, RI 02835

###### Request for Town Council Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote to approve the **New** **Class B – Victualer Liquor License**

Councilor R. White inquired what a Class B License is entitled to serve. Solicitor Ruggiero responded that it is a full liquor license, able to serve beer, wine and alcohol.

Councilor R. White inquired if the predecessor business at this location had this same license. President Beye answered, she believed so.

**A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor M. White to approve the New Class B – Victualer Liquor License. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

###### Request for Town Council Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote to Set the **Class B – Victualer Liquor License Cap at Nine (9)**

**A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Vice President Meagher to set the Class B – Victualer Liquor License Cap at Nine (9). 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**

Vice President Meagher recused herself from New Business.

# NEW 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 item:***

## A) Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote to proceed to advertise for public hearing for amendment of the Jamestown Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70 Traffic and Vehicles, pursuant to Sec. 70-100 Designated residential parking streets at the July 19 meeting of the Jamestown Town Council.

1) Petition from 51 percent of verified resident households on Union Street requesting overnight parking for residents only from 1AM to 6AM.

Councilor R. White questioned how was it determined that the number of residents who could have signed to decide that 51% signatures were obtained.

Town Administrator Hainsworth explained it was between the Tax Assessor and the 911 Coordinator to determine how many residences were on a street.

**A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor R. White to advertise for a public hearing for the amendment of the Jamestown Code of Ordinances. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

Vice President Meagher rejoined the meeting.

# ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES AD EXPIRING TERMS

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

## Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote to approve the Appointment of Roberta Fagan as the Town Clerk for the Town of Jamestown

* + 1. Memorandum from Town Administrator regarding Town Clerk Confirmation by Town Council

Town Administrator Hainsworth spoke to Roberta Fagan’s management experience in business and feels it will serve us well. It was a unanimous decision between the interviewers to recommend Roberta Fagan for the position of Town Clerk.

Town Administrator Hainsworth is grateful for the return of Arlene Petit and Cheryl Fernstrom to fill in as interim Town Clerk.

**A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor R. White to appoint Roberta Fagan as the Town Clerk for the Town of Jamestown. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

Roberta Fagan thanked the Council. She is looking forward to serving the Town of Jamestown.

# 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.***

## Scheduled request to address - none

## Non-scheduled request to address

No one came forward to address the Council

Town Administrator Hainsworth noted the Executive Order No. 20-05, executed by Governor Gina Raimondo, has been extended until July 23, with a caution that the Order could be rescinded prior to July 23, 2021. The General Assembly did not pass any changes in the Open Meeting Act.

# ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Vice President Meagher to adjourn at 6:13 p.m. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

Attest:

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Denise Gamon, Town Clerk’s Assistant