



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Jamestown Town Hall
Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers
93 Narragansett Avenue
Monday, February 6, 2023
6:00 P.M.

THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN PERSON ONLY.

THIS MEETING WILL BE LIVE STREAMED: To view the meeting with no interaction:
<http://www.record-server.net/Jtown/StreamPrimJtown.html>

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. The Town Council hopes 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:
<https://jamestownri.gov/town-government/town-council/town-council-meetings-minutes/2022-meetings-minutes>

- I. ROLL CALL**
- II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS**
 - A) Review of the FY 2022 Financial Statements with Paul Dansereau, representing Baxter, Dansereau & Associates
- IV. TOWN COUNCIL INTERVIEW SCHEDULE: The Jamestown Town Council will meet to conduct interviews of applicants for the committee vacancies as follows:**

TIME	NAME	COMMITTEE
6:20	James (Jay) Sisson	Charter Review/Zoning (Alternate)

VI. OPEN FORUM

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 prohibit 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

VII. 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.

A) Licenses and Permits

- 1) **One-Day Event/Entertainment License:** All One-Day Entertainment license application approvals are subject to any COVID-19 protocols in effect at the time of the event; Review, Discussion, and/or Take Action and/or Vote for the following:
 - a) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
Event: Film screening: No Time to Fail
Date(s): February 15, 2023, 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.
Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street
 - b) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
Event: Panel Discussion Outsider Art: Harnessing Color
Date(s): March 2, 2023, 5:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.
Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street
 - c) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
Event: Performance by Kingston Chamber
Date(s): March 17, 2023, 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.
Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street
 - d) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
Event: Newport Live with Mark Erelli
Date(s): March 23, 2023, 7:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.
Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street
 - e) Applicant: Jamestown Ukraine Relief Project
Event: Benefit for Ukraine
Date(s): June 23, 2023, 5:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
Location: Ft. Getty Pavilion*
 - i) Review, Discussion, and/or Take Action and/or Vote:
Approval of the request to waive the Ft. Getty Pavilion rental fee
 - f) Applicant: Save the Bay
Event: 47th Annual Save the Bay Swim
Date(s): July 15, 2023, 6:30 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.
Location: RITBA Lawn

- 2) **Trash Collector License Renewal Application:** Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
 - a) Applicant: Waste Management of RI, Inc.
Address: 1610 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: Recommendation and request of Parks & Recreation Director DeFalco to review and/or approve the proposed fee schedule for the 2023 season and revised policy for RV camper's resident pass limit:
 - 1) Memorandum from Parks and Recreation Director DeFalco to Town Administrator Hainsworth with Director's recommendations.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A) No items at this time.

X. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES, AND EXPIRING TERMS

- A) Ordinances; Discussion and Possible Action to *Order to Advertise* in the Jamestown Press; Notice of a Public Hearing for Proposed Amendments to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70, Article II -Administration and Enforcement; Sections 25- Notice of violation; admission of truth and payment of fines at the police station; amounts. These Amendments are proposed to update and modernize the existing Traffic and Vehicle ordinance.
- B) Appointments, Vacancies, and Expiring Terms; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
 - 1) Board of Canvassers One (1) Full Member, for the One (1) Six-year term expiring March 2029, and One (1) Board of Canvassers Republican Alternate Member, for the One (1) Six-year term expiring March 2029; review discussion and/or potential action and/or vote:
 - a) Letter of recommendation to the Town Council from the Jamestown Republican Committee:
 - i) Hugh Murphy (Full member)
 - ii) Linda Jamison (Republican Alternate Member)
 - 2) Zoning Board of Review, One (1) Alternate Member vacancy with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023:
 - b) Letter of interest:
 - i) James (Jay) Sisson

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 the 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 Meeting Minutes
 - 1) January 23, 2023 (Regular meeting)
 - 2) January 26, 2023 (Executive Session- sealed)
 - 3) January 31, 2023 ([2] Executive Session[s] – sealed)

- B) Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees
 - 1) Planning Commission (December 7, 2022)
 - 2) Planning Commission (January 18, 2023)
 - 3) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (June 15, 2022)
 - 4) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (July 20, 2022)
 - 5) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (August 17, 2022)
 - 6) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee September 21, 2022)
 - 7) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (October 19, 2022)
 - 8) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (November 16, 2022)
 - 9) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (2022 Attendance log)
 - 10) Tax Assessment Board of Review (November 21, 2022)
 - 11) Tax Assessment Board of Review (December 1, 2022)
 - 12) Tax Assessment Board of Review (December 12, 2022)
 - 13) Tax Assessment Board of Review (January 30, 2023)
 - 14) Tax Assessment Board of Review (Attendance Log November 2022- January 2023)

XII. 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 email to: Town Council members
From: Mary Lou Sanborn
Date: January 23, 2023
Re: Jamestown Energy Plan
 - 2) Copy of report from Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns
Date: February 1, 2023
Re: 2023 Legislative Priorities

- B) Resolutions from other Rhode Island Cities and Towns Received:
 - 1) Town of Richmond, Richmond Town Council, Resolution #2023-2, Resolution Urging the Rhode Island General Assembly to Make Juneteenth Independence Day an Official State Holiday.
 - 2) Town of Tiverton, Resolution Seeking General Assembly Authority to License Short-Term Rental (STR) By Municipalities, Resolution 2023-001.

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

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION- BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

The Town Council Sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners may seek to enter into Executive Session for review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote on the following:

- A) The Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners: Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote in Executive Session and/or open session pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Pending or Potential Litigation: CLP TRUST – 2016, by and through its Trustee, Joseph R. Paolino, Jr., vs. Town of Jamestown, C.A. No. 1:22-cv-00339. Authorize a member of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to attend the Rule 16 Conference with the Federal District Court.

The Town Council Adjourns from sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

XV. 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) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote in Executive Session and/or open session pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (5) East Ferry Use: Potential Lease Agreement with Conanicut Marine Services, Inc.

XVI. 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 Clubhouse Library. Notice is also posted at the Jamestown Police Station and on the Internet at www.jamestownri.gov.

ALL NOTE: 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 rfagan@jamestownri.net not less than three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website on February 2, 2023.



Town of Jamestown

One Day

Event/Entertainment Application

RECEIVED:
JAN 23, 2023 03:51 PM
Roberta J. Foster
TOWN CLERK

\$5.00 Application Fee

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Please complete the following information:

- Seasonal Event
- Parade
- Race:
 - Bicycle/Wheelchair
 - Run/Jog/Walk/Wheelchair
 - Marine Vessel
- Art/Craft Show
- Theatre/Film Production
- Concert
- Miscellaneous Function (please explain)

Documentary Film: *No Time to Fail*

Name of Event: (if applicable) Film Screening: *No Time to Fail*

Date of Event: February 15, 2023 Hours of Event: 7:00-830pm

Location of Event: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RI 02835. Number of people attending: 120

Name of Applicant/ Business: Jamestown Arts Center

Mailing Address: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RO 02835. Business Phone #: (401)560-0979

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Contact Person: Kelly McDermott Phone Number: (401)560-0979

List the type of entertainment being requested, if applicable (Band, DJ, etc.): N/A

Who will the event benefit? Jamestown Arts Center

Type of Operation: (Private, State Sponsored, Non-Profit): Non-Profit

R.I. Show Promoter's Permit Number, per RIGL § 44-19-1, (if applicable): N/A

If the applicant is a Non-Profit organization, is it registered with the State? Yes No

RI Tax ID #: [REDACTED] Non-Profit ID #: [REDACTED]

Number of Vendors/Peddlers: (circle one) N/A 1-10 11-20 21-30 31-40 41-50
All vendor/peddlers must submit an application to the Town Clerk's Office

What types of items will be sold at this event? _____

Will alcohol be provided and/or served at this event? *If yes, Alcohol Liability Insurance must be provided* Yes : P Permit

Will traffic control be needed? Yes No
If yes, Please contact the Jamestown Police Department

Note: All applicants must submit a liability insurance policy with coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 (two million dollars) when using Town owned property, naming the Town of Jamestown as an additional Certificate Holder.

Certificate of insurance: Yes No

If there is additional information for the Town Council that you would like to add please attach separate correspondence.

Signature of Applicant:

Please attend the Town Council meeting on the _____ day of _____, 20____ for Council review.



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- Miscellaneous Function (please explain)

Free artist panel discussion in conjunction with the exhibition:
Outsider Art: Harnessing Color

Name of Event: (if applicable) Panel Discussion *Outsider Art: Harnessing Color*

Date of Event: March 2, 2023 Hours of Event: 5:30-7:30pm

Location of Event: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RI 02835. Number of people attending: 30

Name of Applicant/ Business: Jamestown Arts Center

Mailing Address: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RO 02835. Business Phone #: (401)560-0979

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Contact Person: Kelly McDermott Phone Number: (401)560-0979

List the type of entertainment being requested, if applicable (Band, DJ, etc.): N/A

Who will the event benefit? Jamestown Arts Center

Type of Operation: (Private, State Sponsored, Non-Profit): Non-Profit

R.I. Show Promoter's Permit Number, per RIGL § 44-19-1, (if applicable): N/A

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RI Tax [REDACTED] Non-Profit ID #: [REDACTED]

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Will alcohol be provided and/or served at this event? If yes, Alcohol Liability Insurance must be provided Yes No

Will traffic control be needed? Yes No
If yes, Please contact the Jamestown Police Department

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Certificate of insurance: Yes No

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Signature of Applicant: [Signature]

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- Marine Vessel
- Art/Craft Show
- Theatre/Film Production
- Concert
- Miscellaneous Function (please explain)

Performance of chamber music by Kingston Chamber

Name of Event: (if applicable) Performance by Kingston Chamber

Date of Event: March 17, 2023 Hours of Event: 7:00-8:30pm

Location of Event: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RI 02835. Number of people attending: 75

Name of Applicant/ Business: Jamestown Arts Center

Mailing Address: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RO 02835. Business Phone #: (401)560-0979

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Contact Person: Kelly McDermott Phone Number: (401)560-0979

List the type of entertainment being requested, if applicable (Band, DJ, etc.): N/A

Who will the event benefit? Jamestown Arts Center

Type of Operation: (Private, State Sponsored, Non-Profit): Non-Profit

R.I. Show Promoter's Permit Number, per RIGL § 44-19-1, (if applicable): N/A

If the applicant is a Non-Profit organization, is it registered with the State? Yes No

RI Tax ID # [REDACTED] Non-Profit ID [REDACTED]

Number of Vendors/Peddlers: (circle one) N/A 1-10 11-20 21-30 31-40 41-50

All vendor/peddlers must submit an application to the Town Clerk's Office

What types of items will be sold at this event? _____

Will alcohol be provided and/or served at this event? If yes, Alcohol Liability Insurance must be provided Yes: P Permit

Will traffic control be needed? Yes No

If yes, Please contact the Jamestown Police Department

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Certificate of insurance: Yes No

If there is additional information for the Town Council that you would like to add please attach separate correspondence.

Signature of Applicant: _____

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Town of Jamestown One Day Event/Entertainment Application

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- Concert
- Miscellaneous Function (please explain)

Musical performance by Mark Erelli in partnership with Newport Live

Name of Event: (if applicable) Newport Live with Mark Erelli

Date of Event: March 23, 2023 Hours of Event: 7:00-8:30pm

Location of Event: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RI 02835. Number of people attending: 100

Name of Applicant/ Business: Jamestown Arts Center

Mailing Address: 18 Valley Street, Jamestown, RO 02835. Business Phone #: (401)560-0979

Email: [REDACTED]

Contact Person: Kelly McDermott Phone Number: (401)560-0979

List the type of entertainment being requested, if applicable (Band, DJ, etc.): N/A

Who will the event benefit? Jamestown Arts Center

Type of Operation: (Private, State Sponsored, Non-Profit): Non-Profit

R.I. Show Promoter's Permit Number, per RIGL § 44-19-1, (if applicable): N/A

If the applicant is a Non-Profit organization, is it registered with the State? Yes No

RI Tax ID #: [REDACTED] Non-Profit ID #: [REDACTED]

Number of Vendors/Peddlers: (circle one) N/A 1-10 11-20 21-30 31-40 41-50
All vendor/peddlers must submit an application to the Town Clerk's Office

What types of items will be sold at this event? _____

Will alcohol be provided and/or served at this event? *If yes, Alcohol Liability Insurance must be provided* Yes No *P Permit*

Will traffic control be needed? Yes No
If yes, Please contact the Jamestown Police Department

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Certificate of insurance: Yes No

If there is additional information for the Town Council that you would like to add please attach separate correspondence.

Signature of Applicant: _____

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TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

One Day Event/Entertainment Application

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- Art/Craft Show
- Theatre/Film Production
- Concert
- Miscellaneous Function (please explain)
Fundraiser for humanitarian relief for the people of Ukraine

Tentative name: Benefit for Ukraine
Name of Event: (if applicable) Ukraine

Date of Event: June 23, 2023 Hours of Event: 5-8 pm

Location of Event: Ft Getty Pavilion Number of people attending: 150-200

Name of Applicant/ Business: Jamestown Ukraine Relief Project

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 36 Jamestown, RI 02835 Business Phone #: _____
Email Address: jamestownukrainereliefproject.org

Contact Person: Wayne Cresser Phone Number: [REDACTED]

List the type of entertainment being requested, if applicable (Band, DJ, etc.) Band: Tres Moutarde
Who will the event benefit? All proceeds go to organizations identified by the Jamestown Relief Project
Type of Operation: (Private, State Sponsored, Non-Profit): 501(c)3 non-profit

R.I. Show Promoter's Permit Number, per RIGL § 44-19-1, (if applicable): _____

If the applicant is a Non-Profit organization, is it registered with the State? Yes No

RI Tax ID # [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] one) N/A 1-10 11-20 21-30 31-40 41-50

All vendor/peddlers must submit an application to the Town Clerk's Office

What types of items will be sold at this event? We will have a silent auction. Items are to be determined.

Will alcohol be provided and/or served at this event? If yes, Alcohol Liability Insurance must be provided Yes No

Will traffic control be needed? Yes No

If yes, Please contact the Jamestown Police Department

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Certificate of insurance: Yes No Upon approval

If there is additional information for the Town Council that you would like to add please attach separate correspondence. See attached letter.

Signature of Applicant: Wayne Cresser

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Jamestown Town Council

January 25, 2023

Jamestown Parks and Recreation

In reference to the application for reserving the Lt. John C. Rembijas Pavilion at Ft. Getty on 23 June 2023, the Jamestown Ukraine Relief Project (JURP henceforth) is asking for your consideration in waiving the rental fee.

This event will be a benefit to raise funds for the people of Ukraine. All proceeds from ticket sales and Silent Auction will go to the organizations we support, which include the following: SunLight Ukraine (JURP is an initiating partner), Razom for Ukraine, Americares, Direct Relief, Doctors Without Borders, Save the Children, and the World Central Kitchen.

Based on the response to the Sunflower Family Fest, which JURP held at the end of August 2022, we know that the Jamestown community is generous and empathetic to our mission. Therefore, an opportunity to do another community-oriented event, we believe, is consistent with our belief that we are all in this together and everybody is welcome.

Based on the Sunflower event, we expect 150-200 people. The price of admission will include food and beverages. The food will be catered. The beverages will include beer, wine, soda and water. There will be music by Tres Moutarde, who have generously agreed to donate their time and energy to the evening.

If there is any other information you need in support of this request to waive the rental fee, please don't hesitate to reach out to me, Wayne Cresser ([REDACTED]). Thank you in advance for consideration of this matter. [REDACTED]



TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

One Day Event/Entertainment Application

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JUL 15 2023 11:11 AM
TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
Date Rec'd _____
Town Clerk

\$5.00 Application Fee

Office will enter date

All licenses are issued subject to the resolution of debts, taxes and appropriate signatures
(This form can be used with or without vendors)

Please complete the following information:

- Seasonal Event
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- Race:
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 - Run/Jog/Walk/Wheelchair
 - Marine Vessel
- Art/Craft Show
- Theatre/Film Production
- Concert
- Miscellaneous Function (please explain)

Name of Event: (if applicable) 47th Annual Save The Bay Swim

Date of Event: Saturday, July 15, 2023 Hours of Event: 6:30 am to 11:00 am

Location of Event: Bridge Authority Lawn Number of people attending: 1,000 to 1,500

Name of Applicant/ Business: Save The Bay

Mailing Address: 100 Save The Bay Drive, Providence RI 02905 Business Phone #: 401-272-3540, Ext 140

Contact Person: Leanne Danielsen Phone Number: 401-272-3540, Ext 140

List the type of entertainment being requested, if applicable (Band, DJ, etc.) Band, food vendors, merchandise sales

Who will the event benefit? Save The Bay

Type of Operation: (Private, State Sponsored, Non-Profit): Non-Profit

R.I. Show Promoter's Permit Number, per RIGL § 44-19-1, (if applicable): N/A

If the applicant is a Non-Profit organization, is it registered with the State? Yes No

RI Tax ID #: _____ Non-Profit ID #: _____

(\$5.00 each Vendor/Peddler in addition to Application Fee)

A list of vendor/peddler and fee must be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office with this license. Vendor/Peddler list Must include name, address, phone number, date of birth, type of merchandise to be sold and exact location of sales.

What types of items will be sold at this event? Only Save The Bay merchandise

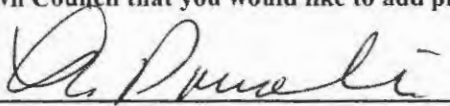
Will food be sold at the location? *If yes, you must contact the R.I. Department of Health* Yes No

Will alcohol be provided and/or served at this event? *If yes, Alcohol Liability Insurance must be provided* Yes No

Will traffic control or a public facility be needed? Yes No
If yes, Please contact the Jamestown Police Department, Public Works Department and/or the Recreation Department for rates and forms for approval.

Note: All applicants must submit a liability insurance policy with coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 (one million dollars) when using Town owned property. Certificate of insurance: Yes No

If there is additional information for the Town Council that you would like to add please attach separate correspondence.

Signature of Applicant: 

Please attend the Town Council meeting on the _____ day of _____, 20____ for Council review.



RECEIVED:
24, 2023 12:12 PM
Attn: Susan
OF JAMESTOWN Town Clerk

NARRAGANSETT BAY

January 11, 2023

Nancy Beye,
President, Jamestown Town Council
93 Narragansett Avenue
Jamestown, RI 02835

Dear Ms. Beye,

Save The Bay would once again like to request the use of Potter Cove/Taylor Point as the landing site for our 47th Annual Save The Bay Swim requesting to be held on Saturday, July 15, 2023 (no fog date). **Due to the tides and currents that have been researched, we would like to begin our Swim this year at 6:30 am and will end at approximately 11:00 am at Potter Cove and the Turnpike and Bridge Authority Lawn.** We greatly appreciate your help.

The event will begin with a safety briefing at approximately 6:20 am and the Swim will begin at 6:45 am from the Newport Naval Base. We anticipate approximately 450 to 550 participants (350 to 400 swimmers and 100 to 150 kayakers, rowers and spotters), 150 volunteers, and approximately 400 to 500 spectators, as well as vendors and sponsors. Enclosed please find Save The Bay's "One Day Event/Entertainment Application" and \$5.00 application fee. We would like to have our merchandise available for sale at the event.

As you know, each year Save The Bay holds its annual Swim starting at the Newport Naval College and ending at Potter Cove in Jamestown. Swimmers collect sponsorships to participate in the 1.7-mile swim. It is a wonderful event that raises money and awareness of the benefits of a clean and healthy Narragansett Bay. Save The Bay's efforts to protect and restore Narragansett Bay would not be possible without our Swim.

The usual waiver for the Town of Jamestown will be signed and submitted by every participant. I have enclosed a copy of the text of the release that has been used in the past, as it will appear on our registration materials, for your review, along with verification that Save The Bay is a non-profit organization. Included is a copy of our general liability. We are of course more than happy to again sign a hold harmless agreement.

Thank you again for your continued support of Save The Bay, we are most grateful for all of the help of the Town of Jamestown with this event. We would greatly appreciate this request to be heard at the convenience of the Town Council. We would like to post a confirmed date to potential participants as soon as possible. I look forward to receiving confirmation of your approval. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 401-272-3540, ext. 140.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L. Danielsen'.

Leanne Danielsen
Events Manager

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

Town Clerk's Office
93 Narragansett Avenue
Jamestown, RI 02835
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TOWN OF JAMESTOWN Town Clerk

March 1, 2023 – February 28, 2024

Renewal Trash Collector License Application

Please provide the Town Clerk's office with the following:

License Fee \$100.00

Corporate Name: Waste Management of RI, Inc.

DBA: _____

Business Address: 1610 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, RI 02920

Business Phone #: 401-919-9077

Hours of Operation: 300 AM - 7PM

Mailing Address (if different from above) Same as above

Partnerships & Corporations: Please list names, addresses & dates of birth for all partners and principal officers/stockholders:

Name	Address	Date of Birth
N/A		

Signature of Applicant: Eric Richard

Print Name: Eric Richard



TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
Parks & Recreation Office
P.O. Box 377
41 Conanicus Ave.
JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND 02835

Recreation Office (401) 423-7260
Teen Center (401) 423-7261
Fort Getty (401) 423-7211
Fax (401) 423-7229

TO: Jamie Hainsworth, Town Administrator
FROM: Ray DeFalco, Park and Recreation Director
CC: Roberta Fagan, Town Clerk
DATE: January 31st, 2023
SUBJECT: Director Recommendations – Follow up

The department is seeking council approval of the below fee schedule for the 2023 season. Also listed are requested comparisons for local RV parks and boat storage facilities.

Revised policy for RV camper's resident pass limit: RV Campers are issued up to two resident recreation passes maximum per site. Additional Fort Getty non-resident passes are available for purchase at a rate of \$125.00. Additional vehicles above the two allowed per site must park in the designated visitor camping parking area.

Facility	Type	Description	2022 - Rate	2023 - Rate Proposed	Increase
Campground	Non-Residnet	Seasonal RV	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$0.00
Campground	Resident	Seasonal RV	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Campground	N/A	Transient RV	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$0.00
Campground	N/A	Tenting	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$0.00
Campground	N/A	Boat Slip	\$650.00	\$750.00	\$100.00
Campground - Tent	N/A	Folk Fest (4-night rental)	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
Campground - Tent	N/A	Holiday Rate (2-or 3-night min)	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00
Campground - Tent	N/A	Jazz Fest (4-night rental)	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
Fort Getty Park	Non-Residnet	Season Pass	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$0.00
Fort Getty Park	Non-Residnet	Daily Entry	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$0.00
Fort Getty Park	Non-Residnet	Entry Fee with Trailer	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Resident	Off-Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$325.00	\$325.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Resident	Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Resident	Friday & Sunday Rental Off Peak	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Resident	Friday & Sunday Rental Peak	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Resident	Saturday Off Peak	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Resident	Saturday Peak	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Residnet	Off-Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Residnet	Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Residnet	Friday & Sunday Rental Off Peak	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Residnet	Friday & Sunday Rental Peak	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Residnet	Saturday Off Peak	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Residnet	Saturday Peak	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Profit	Off-Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$325.00	\$325.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Profit	Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Profit	Friday & Sunday Rental Off Peak	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Profit	Friday & Sunday Rental Peak	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Profit	Saturday Off Peak	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Non-Profit	Saturday Peak	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Pavilion	Private Org.	Large Scale Public Event for Profit	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Mackerel Cove Beach	Non-Resident	Daily Parking	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0.00
Fort Getty / Mackerel Cove Heads Beach / Park Dock	Resident	Resident Recreation Pass	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0.00

Location	Pricing	Season Dates	Amenities
Fort Getty – Jamestown	\$5,500 for season Approx. \$40 per day	May 11 th – September 25 th (137-day season)	30 Amp Electric Water Dump Station Bathrooms / Showers Water view / beach access Boat Ramp
RI State Parks	\$28 per day residents \$55 per day non-resident	No full season – two-week max stay for State Parks	Water view Electric Water
Worden Pond South Kingstown	\$4000.00 season	Full Season only May – October (no specific dates listed)	Water 50-amp electric Internet Dump Station Playground
Wawaloam Campground - Richmond	\$65-\$80 per day Depending on site (These rates are typically for 7 or fewer days) \$11,505 - \$14,160 for full season Monthly rates available	April 28 th – October 22 nd (177 days)	30/50-amp Electric Water Sewer (some sites) Dump station Bathroom / Showers Internet Cable tv Laundry Pool Playground Waterslide Mini-Golf Basketball Court Splash Pad
Newport RV Park (Melville) Portsmouth	\$6,900 Full Season	June 1 st – September 15 th (106 days)	Bathroom/ showers Full Hook ups (Sewer, water, 30- & 50-amp electric) Laundry Dog Park Internet Cable tv Camp Store

Location	Rates	Dates	Amenities
Fort Getty – Jamestown	\$650 Full Season	May 11 th – September 25 th (137-day season)	Self-use facility (No staff assistance with towing, parking or launching) Outdoor, Uncovered dry boat/ trailer parking Proximity to boat ramp Boat washing station
Sail Newport – Newport	Rate \$4.50 per sq ft for season Rates based on length overall multiplied by max beam (width) (Average for a 30 X 10 ft boat \$1,350)	May 1 st – October 15 th	Self-use facility Membership Required Sail boats only
Pleasant St. Warf – North Kingstown	Approx. \$30 per ft for total length of boat and trailer (Average for boat size 30 ft approx. \$900)	May 15 th – October 15 th	Full service marine facility Boat hauling Transport Rigging Launching Storage

Local Boat Storage options vary locally. Fort Getty Park is unique in comparison to other storage options.

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
TOWN OF JAMESTOWN**

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown will conduct a public hearing on the ___ day of _____, 2023 at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue on the following proposed amendment to the Code of Ordinances regarding **Chapter 70–Article II Section 25-Notice of violation; admission of truth and payment of fines at police station; amounts.** Opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter at the public hearing. The following proposed ordinance amendment is under consideration and may be adopted and/or altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Any alteration or amendment must be presented for comment in the course of the public hearing. The proposed amendment is available for review at the Town Clerk’s Office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Holidays and at www.Jamestownri.gov.

Section 1. The Town Council of the Town of Jamestown does hereby resolve that the Jamestown Code of Ordinances, **Chapter 70–Article II Section 25, Notice of violation; admission of truth and payment of fines at police station; amounts.** As the same may have been heretofore amended, is hereby amended by changing the text of the Chapter, as follows:

NOTE: words set as ~~striketrough~~ are to be deleted from the ordinance; words underlined are to be added to the ordinance.

See Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. NOTE: amendments to the terms and conditions set forth at Exhibit A may be made based on comments received during the public hearing.

Section 2. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized to cause said changes to be made to Chapter 70 of the Town of Jamestown’s Code of Ordinances.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

Ad Date(s): _____
Publication Source: Jamestown Press
Hearing Date: _____
Action: _____
Certified: _____

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2 EXHIBIT A

3 Chapter 70 Traffic and Vehicles

4 **Article II**

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6 **Sec. 70-25. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

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8 ~~Each such police officer shall attach to such vehicle or tender to the operator of such~~
9 ~~vehicle written notice that such vehicle has violated a certain provision of such traffic~~
10 ~~or parking ordinance or of such parking regulations, notifying such person to appear~~
11 ~~on a day and hour stated in such notice, to answer such charge before the district~~
12 ~~court of the second division and, except as otherwise provided in this chapter or state~~
13 ~~law, instead of personally appearing in court, such person may, in person or by mail~~
14 ~~admit the truth of such charge and pay to the officer in charge of such police station~~

15 The owner or operator of a vehicle who is issued a parking ticket indicating that said
16 vehicle has been parked in violation of a provision of this Code relating to traffic shall,
17 within the fourteen days specified, pay to the Police Department such fines as this Code
18 establishes for such offenses, and the Police Department is hereby designated for the
19 purpose of collecting such parking fines. In the event such offender neglects or refuses
20 to dispose of such charge within the fourteen-day period, he or she shall be summoned
21 before the Rhode Island Traffic Tribunal for adjudication of such violation and such
22 offender shall be subject to the full penalties provided for violation of this Code.

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24 The fine shall be \$25.00 \$15.00 for parking over the posted time, \$85.00 \$75.00 for
25 parking within eight feet of a fire hydrant, \$100.00 for parking within an area
26 designated as handicap parking and \$35.00 \$25.00 for all other offenses.

27 ~~If an appeal or payment is not made within 14 days, an additional fine of \$25.00 shall~~
28 ~~be imposed. If an appeal or payment is not made with 30 days, an additional fine of~~
29 ~~\$25.00 shall be imposed. the fine shall be doubled.~~

30 Five dollars of every parking fine shall be placed in a segregated account maintained
31 by the finance department. This account shall be maintained exclusively for the
32 purpose of establishing and maintaining municipal parking.



Jamestown Republican Town Committee
P.O. Box 224
Jamestown, Rhode Island 02835
"Balanced with Common Sense"

January 28, 2023

Mrs. Karen Montoya
Jamestown Town Clerk
93 Narragansett Avenue
Jamestown, RI 02835

RE: Jamestown Board of Canvassers

Dear Karen:

The Jamestown Republican Town Committee heartily recommends Hugh Murphy and Linda Jamison as Republican applicants for the two Republican member positions on the Jamestown Board of Canvassers. Hugh Murphy as regular member and Linda Jamison as alternate member.

Both Hugh and Linda are currently serving on the JBOC and have well represented not only the Jamestown Republican Town Committee but also the Jamestown Board of Canvassers. We ask that you move their names forward to the Jamestown Town Council for re-appointment.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Sanborn
JRTC Chair

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 23, 2023

I. ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on January 23, 2023. Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary Meagher, Michael G. White, Randy White, and Erik Brine.

Also, in attendance: Town Administrator Jamie Hainsworth, Solicitor Peter Ruggiero, Police Chief Edward Mello, Finance Director Christina Collins, Public Works Director Michael Gray, Town Planner Lisa Bryer, and Town Clerk Roberta Fagan.

II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Jamestown Town Hall Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. SPECIAL AGENDA ITEM

- A) Town Administrator Search
 - 1) Review of applications received for Town Administrator

Town Administrator Hainsworth presented binders with applications received from all respondents as of January 23, 2023. He requested that the Town Council review, and select 3 names each to discuss at the January 26th Town Council Special Meeting.

IV. TOWN COUNCIL INTERVIEW SCHEDULE: The Jamestown Town Council will meet to conduct interviews of applicants for the committee vacancies as follows:

TIME	NAME	COMMITTEE
6:15	Michelle Foster	Tree Preservation and Protection

Michelle Foster was interviewed for the Tree Preservation and Protection Committee.

The interview session concluded at 6:08.

A motion was made by Councilor M. White with a second by Vice President Meagher to convene as the Town Council Sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

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

- B) Approval of Minutes; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
 - 1) November 21, 2022 (regular meeting)

- C) 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 prohibit 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
- D) Report of Town Officials; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
- 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
- E) Letters and Communication; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
- 1) None
- F) Unfinished Business; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
- 1) None
- G) New Business; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
- 1) Request for the approval to Award the Bid to Atlas Painting and Sheeting Corp. for the base bid amount of \$365,000.00 (overcoat the exterior of the North Tank) and Add Alternate 1A for an amount of \$640,000.00 (blast and paint the exterior of the South Tank) for a Total Project Bid Award of \$1,005,000.00.
 - a) Memorandum from Public Works Director Michael Gray regarding Bid Recommendation, Howland Avenue Tank Rehabilitation
 - 2) Finance Director's Report: Comparison of the Water Budget to Actuals as of December 31, 2022.
 - 3) Finance Director's Report: Comparison of the Sewer Budget to Actuals as of December 31, 2022.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to adjourn from sitting as the Board of Water And Sewer Commissioners. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

VI. OPEN FORUM

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

Frances Lippincott, 1243 North Main Road, addressed the Town Council. She has been a lifelong full and part-time resident of Jamestown. She now summers at Ft. Getty with an R/V. Ms. Lippincott questioned whether the length of the 2023 Ft. Getty season would be shortened.

Vice President Meagher clarified that the length of the season was going back to what it was pre-COVID. The topic will be discussed further later in the meeting.

VII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS

- A) None

VIII. 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.

A) Licenses and Permits

- 1) **One-Day Event/Entertainment License:** All One-Day Entertainment license application approvals are subject to any COVID-19 protocols in effect at the time of the event; Review, Discussion, and/or Take Action and/or Vote for the following:
 - b) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
 - Event: Exhibition Opening: Harnessing Color
 - Date(s): January 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.
 - Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Exhibition Opening: Harnessing Color one-day event application taking place on January 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- c) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
- Event: JAC Talk with Conor Moynihan
- Date(s): February 9, 2023, 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
- Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the JAC Talk with Conor Moynihan one-day event application taking place on February 9, 2023, 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. at the Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- d) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
- Event: Harnessing Color: Weaving and Printmaking Days
- Date(s): February 11 & March 4, 2023, Noon. - 3:00 p.m.
- Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street

A motion was made by Councilor M. White with a second by Vice President Meagher to approve the Harnessing Color: Weaving and Printmaking Days one-day event application taking place on February 11 & March 4, 2023, Noon. - 3:00 p.m.. at the Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- e) Applicant: Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)
- Event: Newport String Quartet/
Newport County Concert Series III
- Date(s): February 12, 2023, 2:00 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.
- Location: JAC, 18 Valley Street

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Newport String Quartet/Newport County Concert Series III one-day event application taking place on February 12, 2023, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.. at the Jamestown Arts Center, 18 Valley Street. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 2) **Trash Collector License Renewal Application:** Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
 - a) Applicant: Island Rubbish Service, Inc. dba: Island Rubbish
 - Address: 8 Swinburne Street, Jamestown, RI 02835

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Trash Collector License Renewal Application for Island Rubbish Service, Inc. dba: Island Rubbish. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- b) Applicant: Allied Waste Services, LLC. dba: Republic Services
- Address: 2080 Airport Road, Fall River, MA 02720

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Trash Collector License Renewal Application for Allied Waste Services, LLC. dba: Republic Services. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 3) **Peddler and Holiday License Application:** Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
 - a) Applicant: A.B. Munroe Dairy, Inc. dba: A.B. Munroe Dairy
 - Address: 151 N. Brow Street, East Providence, RI 02914

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Peddler and Holiday License Application for A.B. Munroe Dairy, Inc. dba: A.B. Munroe Dairy. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

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

Please Note the Following Items are Status Reports and Matters of Interest to the Council and are for Informational Purposes unless Indicated Otherwise:

A) Town Administrator's Report: Jamie A. Hainsworth

1) Congressional Funding Appropriation

During 2022 Town Staff made an application for federal funding through Senator Jack Reed's office. The request was for the replacement of the water distribution line on North Road. Late last month notice was received from the Senator that Congress approved 2.5 million dollars to the Town of Jamestown for the project.

2) Budget Process FY 2023-2024

Department heads have submitted their capital and operating budgets for FY 2023-2024. Finance Director Collins and Town Administrator Hainsworth have begun meeting with the Town Staff to form the proposed budget.

3) Rhode Island Resource Recovery (RIRR) Update

Town Administrator Hainsworth attended a meeting along with other municipal representatives at the RIRR facility. Attendees were informed of the projected tipping fees as well as the build-out capacity of the landfill and recycling operations. RIRR forecasts that the landfill will reach capacity in twenty years. RIRR will be looking at alternatives for the future such as mixed solid waste processing. Municipal user fees are currently \$54.00 per ton and are projected to rise by 2028 to \$68.00 per ton. RIRR recommends and even cautions everyone must do more to recycle and that proper recycling is imperative. Recycling is a learned behavior and has to become a way of life, saving both the environment and keeping trash costs down.

B) Parks and Recreation Director's Report: Ray DeFalco

1) Memorandum from Director DeFalco regarding Jamestown Historical Society – Conanicut Battery 2022 Review:

a) Jamestown Historical Society Report on Conanicut Battery support in 2022 and Plans for 2023.

2) Memorandum from Director DeFalco regarding 2022 Summer Review, and 2023 Fort Getty Park Rates with recommendations.

Director DeFalco gave a summary of the 2022 Conanicut Battery season in collaboration with the Jamestown Historical Society (JHS) which included future plans for the park. The Annual Battery day on May 21st was well organized by Betsy Baldwin/JHS with support from the Jamestown Recreation department staff.

JHS volunteers oversee the general maintenance of the trails. Town staff takes care of any heavy-duty maintenance needs.

Long-term maintenance needs include the removal of a dead tree, stone dust and grading of trails, and restoration of the observation bunkers' wooden supports.

Vice President Meagher questioned whether there have been any concerns with the Battery being the de-facto dog walking park. Director DeFalco remarked that there were no issues or complaints regarding dogs at the park.

R. White asked if there was a conflict with the abutting neighbor and the clear-cutting of the right-of-way to the water.

Town Planner Lisa Bryer explained that a survey was being conducted to clarify property lines. There are no conflicts with the abutting neighbor. She believes the path on the water side of the roadway was cleared by the surveyors.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: Recommendation of Parks & Recreation Director DeFalco to increase rates.

Director DeFalco gave a comprehensive report to the Town Council and reviewed the 2022 season. The report included a summary of the tent/RV/boat reservations, summer camp, beach passes, and revenue vs expense overview. There were no high bacteria days reported at Mackerel Cove causing beach closure during the 2022 season. Also, it was the first year for the Splash Dogz food cart at Mackerel Cove which was well received by beach patrons. Short-term and long-term Ft. Getty objectives were discussed with a focus on utility upgrades and bathroom improvement plans.

Vice President Meagher asked if seasonal Ft. Getty camping renewals have been sent out yet. Director DeFalco stated no. She asked if there were any water service complaints or issues.

Director DeFalco stated that occasionally there have been reports of sediment in the water requiring the water lines to be bled. These events seem to correlate with work taking place on Beavertail Road.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Vice President Meagher served on the 2004-2008 Ft. Getty Committee. Electric service to Ft. Getty has been a topic of conversation for a long time. She stated now would be the appropriate time to look into potential electric upgrades at Ft. Getty.

President Beye commented that she would also be in favor of not selling beach passes at Mackerel Cove. Councilor Brine requested a beach pass rate breakdown compared to other neighboring communities.

Director DeFalco also reported on the following:

- Mackerel Cove – staffing costs continue to rise.
- Summer Camp
- Litter Team
- Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation (CISF)
- Proposed changes to rates

Frances Lippincott gave praise to the Ft. Getty ranger's diligence. They were instrumental in enforcing parking requirements for visitors. She made the request to the Town Council to extend the Ft. Getty camping season for two additional weeks.

A motion was made by Councilor M. White with a second by Vice President Meagher to approve extending the Ft. Getty camping season to September 23, 2023. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- B) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: Recommendation of Chief Mello to increase Town Ordinance Parking Fines and approval to draft amendments for consideration:

- 1) Memorandum from Chief Mello to Town Administrator Hainsworth.

Chief Mello addressed the Town Council. Parking fees have been stagnant for several years, \$15 for overtime fines, and most other fines are \$25-85 each. Jamestown issues approximately 1200 parking tickets each year on average. Each ticket is handwritten and manually entered into the

records management system. The collection rate on tickets currently is 88%, but the process is labor-intensive and costly. The proposal would include parking software to help streamline the process and a suggested parking fine rate increase of \$10 for each type of citation. The anticipated software expense would be offset by the proposed increase in fines. The parking software would allow the majority of tickets to be issued electronically utilizing a hand-held device; the ability to make online credit card payments; and management of the collection process for unpaid fines. The software also offers e-permitting which could be utilized in the future.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by to Councilor M. White to approve increasing parking fine rates as proposed and approve drafting amendments to the Code of Ordinances to be reviewed at the next meeting of the Town Council. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- C) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: Jamestown Bike Path Committee-6 Month Progress Report and request for funding:
 - 1) Memorandum from Town Planner Lisa Bryer to the Town Council and Town Administrator Hainsworth

Town Planner Lisa Bryer gave a brief report on the Bike Path Committee which has met 5 times in the last 6 months. The committee conducted a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) analysis intended to inform a Bicycle Master Plan (Plan). Other anticipated outcomes of the Plan include plan and policy review; development of goals, objectives, and policies; methodology and best practices discussion; Plan implementation; discussion of funding strategies, needed education, and community outreach. Grant funding will be researched. A request was made to the Town Council to allocate funds for a committee member and/or staff to attend the National Bike Summit being held in Washington DC March 26-29th.

Councilor Brine has enjoyed working with the hard-working Bike Path Committee; and supports sending someone in person to the National Bike Summit in March.

Vice President Meagher made a motion to move agenda item E) after agenda item G) with a second by Councilor M. White. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- D) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: Recommendation of Town Planner Lisa Bryer for review and approval of the Jamestown Energy Plan:
 - 1) Memorandum from Town Planner Lisa Bryer to the Town Council and Town Administrator Hainsworth.
 - 2) Jamestown, RI 2022 Energy Plan.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Town Planner Bryer gave background to the proposed Jamestown Energy Plan. In 2021 resident Jamie Haines proposed developing the Jamestown Energy Plan which was consistent with Comprehensive Plan and Sustainability plan. As an ambassador for 11th Hour Racing, Ms. Haines was instrumental in securing a \$45,000 grant to prepare the energy plan. The Town continues to collaborate with 11th Hour Racing to further implement the Jamestown Energy Plan; the proposed food composting in-vessel (food scraps) pilot program at the transfer station, and more.

The Planning Commission reviewed and approved the 2022 Energy Plan on November 16, 2022, and encourages the Town Council to review and approve the plan as well.

For the plan to be implemented the Planning Commission suggests the following steps for the vision of Jamestown transitioning to a net-zero energy community to be realized:

1. Funding for implementation of the plan at the Municipal, Commercial, and Residential Scale. This funding would support:
 - a. A 10-hour-per-week sustainability coordinator to implement the plan and a public energy coach to assist residents with understanding sustainability goals and how to implement them at a residential scale;
 - b. A robust education program;
 - c. Maintain Sustainable Jamestown Web Site;
 - d. Update Report Card for Sustainable Jamestown Program.
2. Prepare Town-wide energy consumption baseline
 - a. Compare to other RI locations
 - i. Municipal
 - ii. Residential
 - iii. Commercial
3. Consider adding Stretch Energy Code for Residential and Commercial as an adjunct to the State Building Code.

President Beye requested postponing a vote so that the Town Council had sufficient time to digest the information; and requested a PowerPoint presentation at a future meeting.

F)Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the request of Vice President Meagher upgrading and expanding recycling efforts to include town location(s) for composting and the recycling of hard-to-dispose items such as single-use plastic bags, reusable plastic containers (i.e. prepared food containers), batteries, and other materials.

Vice President Meagher made the following comments: Since the last Town Council meeting I received a phone call and an email from two different constituents, one asking about how we can recycle single-use plastic bags since McQuades has less capacity to do so and the other was having troubles keeping raccoons and such from their composter. It was requested that there be a town-wide compost program.

In the January 26th edition of the Jamestown Press, there was a front-page article on recycling thanks to our President bringing awareness to recycling challenges in the community. With an eye toward the budget, we need to look at upgrading, reinforcing, beefing up, etc., our recycling program via publicizing what already takes place, or increasing awareness by promoting more singular events (electronic waste pickups) or by combining with organizations that promote more continued efforts. And specifically, referencing the ongoing efforts of 11th-Hour Racing to provide an in-vessel composter for Jamestown. The program proposal was discussed last year but succumbed to the budget woes of the school. Clean Ocean Access use to help subsidize compost pick-up in Jamestown, but it is unknown whether they still do. Vice President Meagher participates in a program offered by Black Earth Compost. Composting has greatly reduced the amount of waste that she needs to be disposed of by Island Rubbish. Battery waste continues to be a challenge.

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All this works in concert with agenda item G.

G)Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the request of Vice President Meagher for the Council to consider creating two new positions in the Town administration to support (1) Natural Resource/Environmental Protection/Energy Conservation and (2) Zoning Officer

1) Memorandum from Vice President Meagher

Vice President Meagher continued with her comments: The creation of two new positions one of which would serve to support upgrading the Town's recycling efforts, and promoting energy conservation that was discussed earlier during the Jamestown Energy Plan presentation by Town Planner Bryer and constituent Jamie Haines. This position would fill a much need staffing gap for the conservation commission; coordinate/collaborate with other community groups such as the water resources board or a bike group or organizations like the friends of Jamestown rights of way. The job description may include researching and applying for relevant grants and/or promoting initiatives such as those by 11th Hour Racing or other groups. The energy conservation group saw a need for ten hours a week and Vice President Meagher would suggest an additional ten hours for other programming needs. Vice President Meagher asked her fellow Council members to consider this potential request for funding in the budget. She further commented that received comments from concerned residents Ms. Sanborn and Rebecchi regarding the cost of the suggested position. Vice President Meagher stated I can assure you that is uppermost on my mind as I near retirement but I am also keenly aware that there is a cost to neglecting this effort, there are savings to be had, as the energy committee made clear and the school department made clear. And I think we can afford it.

The second position is for a zoning officer. The job of the building official has become more complex; Vice President Meagher stating I know because the job of designing and building has become more complex. There are energy, structural, and fire codes that need to be adhered to.

Zoning requires a different skill set. It too has become more involved as evidenced by the process witnessed in the planning of the building at the Bank of America site on Narragansett Avenue. The planning and zoning overlap with complex layers and nuances. Vice President Meagher concluded that the position is long overdue and will support the agenda item regarding the Short-Term Ordinance.

E)Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the request of Vice President Meagher consider and vote to support budget funding of two Community Housing Land Trust prototypes.

Vice President Meagher stated that our Town is at a critical point, with some saying we are long past a critical point. Recent developments in town, most notably the two large projects downtown, the big houses on Highland Drive, Bay View Drive, and East shore Road have contributed to a sense of burgeoning development and consequently a sense of unease. The town is changing. It's not the same old Jamestown.

She continued to state we know that the Town is changing, it's more expensive and new people have moved in.

Her antidote to this sentiment is the saying that the only constant in life is "change", a notion of which she is less fond every year. Vice President Meagher also noted that people said the same thing back in the 70's when she moved here, and/or in the 80s when she turned an old summer hotel into 3 condominiums.

Recognizing the size and prominence of some of these projects combined with larger forces or sentiments that are in our world, Vice President Meagher stated they seem to represent the disparity between the haves and in the case of Jamestown, the haves not so much. She commented that the \$2.4 million for one of the developments is more than most on this island can afford. The federal government hasn't helped over the past forty years to reduce this inequity and in fact, may have promoted this disparity. And as a result, we see and feel a loss of faith by citizens in the capacity of government, in its inability to help people, to equalize opportunity, and to ensure a level playing field. Vice President Meagher stated I think this is one of the things a "government by the people and for the people" is supposed to do. She shares that all these things lead to a kind of despair that is prevalent these days, in our world, our country, and even our town. She concluded that she believes that people are a bit dispirited.

This may be a surprise to some, Vice President Meagher continued, because many individuals and our town have been a beacon of good government and this community has been a source of sustenance to many. A great example of that civic pride would be the town's willingness to spend money to preserve the natural resources of the island, specifically in buying, first, the golf course and then the development rights to the farms. Vice President Meagher stated I think people drive up Conanicus or down North Road or as they head west on the Newport bridge and they just say, thank god we had the foresight to do that. You exhale a little bit in contemplation of how beautiful it is.

She suggested that additional effort would be needed to preserve something just as valuable, as those resources - the character of this community, which has always been something that distinguished this town from some others. It had been a topic with the Affordable Housing committee over the years that Jamestown has a "funky" quality. While some of that may be attributed to local personalities and the character of individuals, it also was defined by an economically diverse population that existed here. Working people lived here including teachers, policemen, social workers, shopkeepers, and the folks who drank and worked at the bar and restaurants.

Vice President Meagher proposed last year to invest in the community and the housing stock of the community in the same way the Town invested in preserving the golf course and the farms. She proposed the creation of a Jamestown Community Housing Land Trust (CHLT). The mechanics of the proposal were suggested as follows: the CHLT would purchase the development rights to existing properties, thereby rendering the houses affordable which would be done over time, providing those folks who lived in those houses the ability to grow old in them. The CHLT would pay the homeowner, a fixed amount per year. The Town Council supported the concept by carving out a small amount of money for it in the budget, for which Vice President Meagher stated she is forever grateful; but due to the very difficult budget year, it was not funded.

Work has continued on the effort. The Affordable Housing Committee Chair Bob Plain, Town Planner Bryer, Vice President Meagher, Christian Belden of Church Community Housing, and with the assistance of Solicitor Peter Ruggiero, are working to develop a policy framework and methodology by which it would be applied. The CHLT proposal will be refined to work in concert with the Church Community Housing land lease program. The CHLT, which would be funded by the Town, would purchase the land on which existing houses are located. The homeowners would still own the house and would be paid for the land over a term of no less than probably ten years. The terms would allow the homeowner to leave the house to their kids, she stated, even if the kids are doing a bit better than they are, we are not trying to discourage upward mobility! The program would prohibit the house from being used as a profit center (i.e. Short-Term rentals). If the homeowner wanted to sell the house, it would be governed by the criteria for affordable housing. Potential buyers would have to be income eligible according to HUD definitions which in 2021 was \$86000 for a family of 4.

Vice President Meagher concluded that this update was intended to inform the Town Council of the effort. The Town of Jamestown is not just a rich playground. The ongoing work and investment are necessary to ensure that the mix of people who make up this community (i.e those who work here) can continue to live here. The logistics of the proposed CHLT are ongoing and there will be a request to fund two and potentially three prototypes for this next budget year.

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the request of Vice President Meagher summary of the December 2022 Short-Term Rental Ordinance Working Group meeting and proposed next steps

Vice President Meagher met with the Short-Term Rental Ordinance Working group in December 2022. The group came well-prepared with a matrix of concerns and solutions, which included logistics of the process, inspections, licensing, fees, and enforcement. The Town has addressed some of the concerns regarding the process and fees. The group suggested alternatives to the fee structures such as an application fee and/or per bedroom fee. Vice President Meagher suggested that the fee structure be reevaluated. The timeframe for implementation starting with inspections would be April/May, May-July registration period, followed by an advertisement for a public hearing of the applications perhaps in September or October 2023. The proposed zoning officer position could help monitor the program.

XII. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES, AND EXPIRING TERMS

- A) Request to the Town Council for authorization to begin the appointment process for One (1) Board of Canvassers Full Member, for the One (1) Six-year term expiring March 2029, pursuant to RIGL § 17-8-1 and RIGL § 17-8-2; review discussion and/or potential action and/or vote:
- 1) Memorandum of the request of Board of Canvassers Clerk Karen Montoya to contact the Jamestown Republican Town Committee to solicit a list of qualified individuals for Town Council consideration to fill the Board of Canvassers Full Member vacancy.
 - a) RIGL § 17-8-1 and RIGL § 17-8-2

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the request of Board of Canvassers Clerk Karen Montoya to contact the Jamestown Republican

Town Committee to solicit a list of qualified individuals for Town Council consideration to fill the Board of Canvassers Full Member vacancy. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- B) Request to the Town Council for authorization to begin the appointment process for One (1) Board of Canvassers Republican Alternate Member, for the One (1) Six-year term expiring March 2029, pursuant to RIGL § 17-8-1 and RIGL § 17-8-2; review discussion and/or potential action and/or vote:
 - 1) Memorandum of the request of Board of Canvassers Clerk Karen Montoya to contact the Jamestown Republican Town Committee to solicit a list of qualified individuals for Town Council consideration to fill the Board of Canvassers Republican Alternate Member vacancy.
 - a) RIGL § 17-8-1 and RIGL § 17-8-2

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the request of Board of Canvassers Clerk Karen Montoya to contact the Jamestown Republican Town Committee to solicit a list of qualified individuals for Town Council consideration to fill the Board of Canvassers Alternate Member vacancy. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- C) Appointments, Vacancies, and Expiring Terms; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote:
 - 1) Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee, Two (2) member vacancies with unexpired terms ending May 31, 2024:
 - a) Letter of Interest for appointment
 - i) Wayne D. Moore
 - ii) Antonia Baum*

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to appoint Wayne D. Moore to the Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee with an unexpired term ending May 31, 2024; and to order advertising for the vacancy. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 2) Charter Review Committee (Ad hoc) Seven (7) members:
 - a) Letter of Interest for appointment
 - i) Sav Rebecchi
 - ii) Bill Harsch
 - iii) Lucia Marshall
 - iv) James Rugh
 - v) Job Toll
 - vi) James (Jay) Sisson

Discussion ensued.

The Town Council requested setting an interview with Jay Sisson at the next Town Council meeting.

- 3) Planning Commission, One (1) member vacancy with a four-year term

ending December 31, 2026

- a) Letter of Interest for appointment
 - i) Dana Prestigiacomio (seeking reappointment)

A motion was made by Councilor R. White with a second by Vice President Meagher to appoint Dana Prestigiacomio to the Planning Commission with a four-year term ending December 31, 2026. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 4) Quonset Development, One (1) member vacancy with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025:
 - a) Letter of Interest
 - i) Jim Rugh
 - ii) Bill Harsch
 - iii) Joseph Cannon

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to appoint Bill Harsch to the Quonset Development board with a three-year term ending December 31, 2025. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 5) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee, Two (2) member vacancies with unexpired terms ending December 31, 2025:
 - a) Letter of Interest for appointment
 - i) Donna Repko
 - ii) Michelle Foster
 - iii) Job Toll
 - iv) Gary Post

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to appoint Donna Repko and Michelle Foster to the Tree Preservation and Protection Committee with unexpired terms ending December 31, 2025. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 6) Zoning Board of Review, One (1) Alternate Member vacancy with a one-year term ending December 31, 2023
 - a) Letter of interest:
 - i) James (Jay) Sisson

The Town Council requested setting an interview with Jay Sisson at the next Town Council meeting.

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

XIII. 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 the 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 Meeting Minutes
- 1) January 3, 2023 (regular meeting)
- B) Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees
- 1) Affordable Housing Committee (December 13, 2022)
 - 2) Harbor Commission (June 8, 2022)
 - 3) Harbor Commission (July 13, 2022)
 - 4) Harbor Commission (September 14, 2022)
 - 5) Harbor Commission (October 12, 2022)
 - 6) Harbor Commission (November 9, 2022)
 - 7) Harbor Commission (November 28, 2022)
 - 8) Harbor Commission (December 14, 2022)
 - 9) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (January 5, 2022)
 - 10) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (January 11, 2022)
 - 11) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (February 8, 2022)
 - 12) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (March 8, 2022)
 - 13) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (April 12, 2022)
 - 14) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (May 17, 2022)
 - 15) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (June 14, 2022)
 - 16) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (July 12, 2022)
 - 17) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (August 9, 2022)
 - 18) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (September 13, 2022)
 - 19) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (October 11, 2022)
 - 20) Jamestown Library Board of Trustees (November 1, 2022)
- C) Tax Assessor's Abatements and Addenda of Taxes

ADDENDA TO 2022 TAX ROLL		
08-0459-00	C/O ISSUED 09/21/22	\$ 366.93
04-0231-09	C/O ISSUED 12/22/22	\$ 192.05
01-0005-37	C/O ISSUED 12/23/22	\$ 153.40
TOTAL ABATEMENTS TO 2022 TAX ROLL		\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDENDA TO 2022 TAX ROLL		\$ 712.38
GRAND TOTAL		\$7,682.63

- D) Town of Jamestown as an abutter. Notice is hereby given that the Jamestown zoning board of review will hold a public hearing January 24, 2023, at the Jamestown town hall 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island at 7:00 p.m. upon the following:
- Application of Sanderson H. Carney, Trustee of the Sanderson H. Carney Indenture of Trust, whose property is located at 3 Spirketing Street, and further identified as Tax Assessor's Plat 5, Lot 404 for a Variance granted under Article 6, Special Use Permits and Variances, Section 600 and 606. This application is made pursuant to the provisions of section 82-302, Table 3-2, District Dimensional Regulations for

the R40 Zoning District of the zoning ordinance. The Applicant seeks Side Yard setback relief for an accessory structure of 3 feet where 15 feet is required in order to construct a 12 x 28 Carport with concrete pad. Said property is located in a R-40 zone and contains 17, 575 square feet.

- E) Approval of the Jamestown Town Council Rules and Procedures
- F) Finance Director's Report: Comparison Budget to Actuals as of December 31, 2022

Communications were acknowledged

XIV. 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 Press Release to: Town Council members
From: Town Administrator Hainsworth
Date: January 9, 2023
Re: Reed/Bipartisan Leaders Ready \$1.7 Trillion Omnibus Appropriations Package
 - 2) Copy of Press Release to: Town Administrator Hainsworth
From: Captain Ron Barber
Date: January 9, 2023
Re: CPR/AED Demonstration
 - 3) Copy of Letter to: Chief Mello
From: Brittan K. Bates-Manni, Medical Countermeasures Program Director
Date: January 3, 2023
Re: Jamestown's COVID-19 Response and Vaccine Campaign
 - 4) Copy of Email and attachments to: Town Council
From: Marian Falla
Date: January 7, 2023
Re: Boston Globe Article STRs in Rhode Island
 - 5) Copy of letter and report to: Town Council
From: Alyson Adkins, Discover Newport
Date: January 11, 2023
Re: Discover Newport Consolidated Annual Audit Report

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher to move into Executive Session with a second by Councilor Brine. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye

XV. 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) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote in Executive Session and/or open session: Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a) Subsection (2) Collective Bargaining (IBPO Union Contract discussion of issues regarding upcoming negotiations set to expire 6/30/2023).

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher to seal the minutes and adjourn from Executive Session with a second by Councilor M. White. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

It was announced that no votes were taken.

The Town Council reconvenes the regular meeting.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor Brine to adjourn at 9:42 p.m. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

Attest:

Roberta J. Fagan, Town Clerk

Approved as amended
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
December 7, 2022
7:00 PM
Jamestown Town Hall
93 Narragansett Ave.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and the following members were present:

Mike Swistak – Chair	Duncan Pendlebury – Vice Chair
Rosemary Enright - Secretary	Diane Harrison
Bernie Pfeiffer	Dana Prestigiacomo

Not present: Mick Cochran

Also present:

Lisa Bryer, AICP – Town Planner
Carrie Kolb - Planning Assistant
David Petrarca, Esq – Ruggiero, Brochu & Petrarca
Michael Darveau, PLS - Darveau Land Surveying, Inc.
Deb Foppert, Esq - Archer & Foppert, LLP
Elena Hughes
Bob Plain

II. Citizen’s Non-Agenda Item - none

III. New Business

1. The Richardson Family Subdivision, 165 Hamilton Avenue, AP 9 Lot 351 application for minor 2-lot subdivision on Hamilton Avenue and Highland Drive- Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote.

Deb Foppert, Esq. with Archer & Foppert represented the Richardson Family Trust for the minor subdivision application. The property is located at the corner of Hamilton Avenue and Highland Drive. Foppert called upon Michael Darveau, PLS to explain the subdivision.

A motion was moved by Commissioner Swistak and seconded by Commissioner Pendlebury to accept Michael Darveau, PLS, of Darveau Land Surveying, Inc., as an expert witness. All in favor.

Darveau described the subdivision. Plat 9 Lot 351 is 1.15 acres and the applicant is looking to divide into two lots. The area is zoned R-20 and requires 20,000 sq ft per lot. Property has

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existing dwelling and meets setbacks. The proposed site plan shows that a new dwelling can be built, and water and sewer is available on Hamilton Avenue. Hamilton Avenue is a state highway and they have requested a Physical Alteration Permit from RIDOT to create a new driveway opening. The proposed driveway will have a turnaround area, so vehicles will not back out onto Hamilton Avenue. The completed soil test records a 4-foot-high seasonal water table. The slope on the land is 2 feet difference. The plans propose in ground infiltration under the roof area. The slab of proposed house will be above the water table. Darveau pointed out the area in front of the proposed house that will be filled in. A 30-inch retaining wall will have water infiltration and grade gradually towards the street to ensure that an increase of water will not fall into the neighbor's property.

Discussion of water flow ensued. It was noted that this neighborhood has had water flow issues in the past. Darveau explained that the expectation is that the infiltration systems will work properly. The water discharge is from roof run-off and rain run-off, so it should be clean and go into the ground. Darveau also stated that the seasonal high-water table is a conservative number. The proposed infiltration system needs the least amount of maintenance and most work properly 20 years later.

Discussion of the stone wall ensued. Commissioner Enright believes that the stone wall at the back of the property is historic. Darveau stated that it is located on the property line. Foppert stated that the applicants have no intention of removing the wall. Elena Hughes, 15 Canopy Drive, Warwick, RI will be the owner of record of the new lot and stated that stone wall will not be touched.

Commissioner Harrison asked if the size of the proposed dwelling is definite? Hughes stated that their plan is for a one-level house that will not exceed 2,000 square feet.

A motion was moved by Commissioner Swistak and seconded by Commissioner Enright as follows:

At the December 7, 2022 Planning Commission meeting, the Commission voted to grant Preliminary Plan approval in accordance with the Town of Jamestown Subdivision Regulations, RIGL 45-23-37 and the plans entitled "**Minor Subdivision Property Line Plan for The Richardson Family Living Revocable Trust Agreement – 2007, Plat 9 Lot 351, 165 Hamilton Avenue, Jamestown, RI**" prepared by **Darveau Land Surveying, Inc., P.O. Box 7918, Cumberland, RI 02864** dated November 7, 2022 based on the following Findings of Fact, and subject to the following Conditions of Approval:

A. Findings of Fact

1. The subdivision is consistent with the requirement of the Jamestown Comprehensive Plan; Each lot in the subdivision conforms to the standards and provision of the Jamestown Zoning Ordinance. Plat 9 Lot 351 is 1.15 acres. Both new lots have proper frontage and both lots are greater than the 20,000 square feet as required in the RR-20 zoning district;
2. There will be no significant negative environmental impacts from the development (or subdivision) as shown on the plans, with all required conditions for approval;

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3. The subdivision as proposed will not result in the creation of individual lots with such physical constraints to development that building on those lots according to pertinent regulations and building standards would be impracticable;
4. All subdivision lots have adequate and permanent physical access to a public street, namely, Hamilton Avenue and Highland Drive;
5. The subdivision provides for safe circulation of pedestrian and vehicular traffic, surface water runoff, suitable building sites or the preservation of natural, historical or cultural features that contribute to the attractiveness of the community;
6. All lots in the subdivision have access to sufficient potable water for intended use. Both lots are in the Urban Water District and have access to public water by right; and,
7. Deb Foppert, Esq. of Archer & Foppert represented the applicant. Michael Darveau, PLS of Darveau Land Surveying, Inc., was accepted as an expert witness and represented the applicant at the December 7, 2022 meeting.

B. Conditions of Approval

1. 2 lots will be created with this subdivision, one existing lot and one new lot;
2. That payment of a fee-in-lieu-of land dedication shall be required for this subdivision as required by Article IIID of the Jamestown Subdivision Regulations for the new lot being created;
3. Granite monuments, or where granite monuments are not suitable, other suitable survey markers, other than concrete, shall be placed at all corner points of the new property lines;
4. The applicant shall obtain a RI DOT Physical Alteration Permit for a curb cut for the new driveway on Hamilton Avenue
5. The applicant shall insure the final grading does not direct additional run-off to properties to the West;
6. The stones from the stone wall will be maintained onsite;
7. This approval shall be recorded with the Town Clerk contemporaneously with the Final Plat, and;
8. This approval shall expire one year from the date of approval unless the Final Plat is signed by the Administrative Officer and recorded in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Jamestown.

So voted:

Commissioner Pendlebury - aye	Commissioner Enright – aye
Commissioner Harrison – aye	Commissioner Pfeiffer – aye
Dana Prestigiacomo – Aye	Commissioner Swistak - aye

Motion carries: 6-0

IV. Old Business

1. Jamestown Zoning Ordinance Update - Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote
 - A. General Updates to Zoning Ordinance Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote
 - B. Cannabis – discussion of referendum and any necessary amendments Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote

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1. Follow up email from Wyatt Brochu, Esq. re: cannabis

One of the questions asked at the last meeting was can Jamestown put cannabis to vote again in the future? Solicitor Brochu sent follow up email on the topic. Solicitor Petrarca further explained that in order to put cannabis to a vote in the future that the General Assembly would need to approve the measure first.

Discussion regarding definitions of marijuana and cannabis ensued. The question was asked if the use table needed to be changed because its current application is for medical marijuana. Bryer spoke with Solicitor Ruggiero who said the ordinance did not need to be changed. Solicitor Petrarca reiterated that no changes needed to be made, however, the easiest way to make change is in the definitions. Prestigiacommo stated just make sure that the words cannabis and marijuana are interchangeable.

C. Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) – discussion of referendum and any necessary amendments Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote

Discussion ensued regarding ADUs. Bryer reiterated that the law is unclear. The goal of the law was to increase housing, and that has not been accomplished because there are no restrictions on Short-Term Rentals or any guarantees for long term rentals or affordable units. Solicitor Petrarca stated that on any parcel that is zoned 20,000 or above an ADU would become a permitted use in an existing dwelling and within the law there is no definition of existing dwelling. He also stated another example of an undefined term within the law is allowing “other family members” to occupy the ADU. He said that there are indications that Assembly will take this issue up in January at the next legislative session.

Bryer asked what would happen if Jamestown repealed its AFDU ordinance. Solicitor Petrarca said that the law would still allow ADUs for persons over 62, persons with a disability, or other family members within an existing structure. Bryer will talk with more towns regarding ADUs. The RI Planning Association was putting out a survey to planners at this time. Bryer was not ready to make a recommendation at this time.

Enright is worried about water usage outside the water district. Bryer said that the year-round water usage is lower because 25% of the housing is unoccupied for part of the year. But we hit peak demand in July and we are not at build out yet.

Discussion of AFDUs ensued. Bryer said that AFDUs have been very successful and the majority are being used as what they are intended for. Pendlebury stated that if everyone builds an ADUs in their house or another structure, it will not solve affordable housing and the Town needs workforce and affordable housing. He also said it would be nice to figure out how to mold LMI housing into an accessory structure.

Bob Plain, 18 Calvert Place, addressed the commission. He believes that the law will get clarified next session, and it could be in a way that we do not want. He brought up incentivizing year-round housing or affordable housing. As an example, an ADU gets taxed at one rate and an LMI ADU is tax-free.

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V. Correspondence

1. Letter to We Dig Investments re: 29 Narragansett Ave.
2. Memo to Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation (CISF) re: Temporary Trailer
3. Administrative Subdivision approval AP 10, Lots 153 & 40, 361 & 359 Highland Drive, Jamestown, RI

Correspondence was recognized as received. Bryer was asked and explained that a letter was sent to We Dig Investments because the rendering submitted to the Planning Commission was not consistent with what was being built. She had a talk with them, and the renderings were done by a third party. The initial rendering was natural shingles with white trim. The rendering posted on the building site showed white building with white trim. The middle building bump back and the balconies were not represented accurately either. The applicant updated the renderings.

VI. Reports

1. Planner's Report –
 - Future meetings – topics and applications

There are no applications for the next meeting at this time, however there is one in the works that may be received in time.

VII. Approval of Minutes – review, discussion and/or action and/or vote

1. November 16, 2022

A motion was moved by Commissioner Enright and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the minutes from November 16, 2022 as amended. All in favor.

Page 1: New Business - second sentence now reads: "...CISF had a conversation..."

Page 2: Paragraph one – ninth sentence now reads: "What they hope to have..."

Page 2: Paragraph four – first sentence: ~~use land~~ changed to land use

Page 4: Paragraph one – first sentence: ~~share~~ changed to shared

Page 4: Paragraph one – second sentence: ~~Granicus~~ changed to Granicus, LLC in two places.

Page 4: Paragraph one – end of second sentence now reads: "...delayed due to Granicus, LLC..."

VIII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 8:03 pm was moved by Commissioner Enright and seconded by Commissioner Harrison. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Carrie Kolb and Lisa Bryer

Approved as amended
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
January 18, 2023
7:00 PM
Jamestown Town Hall
93 Narragansett Ave.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and the following member were present:

Mike Swistak – Chair	Duncan Pendlebury – Vice Chair
Rosemary Enright – Secretary	Diane Harrison
Bernie Pfeiffer	

Not present: Mick Cochran and Dana Prestigiacomio

Also present:

Lisa Bryer, AICP – Town Planner
Carrie Kolb – Planning Assistant
Michael Gray – Director of Public Works
Wyatt Brochu, Esq – Town Solicitor with Ruggiero, Brochu & Petrarca

II. Citizen's Non-Agenda Item – none

III. New Business

1. 5 Freebody Drive, Plat 1 Lot 7, Public Works Department Workshop – Development Plan Review and Recommendation to Zoning Board for Variance - Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote
 - a. Technical Review Committee Minutes – December 15, 2023, Jamestown Public Works Department Workshop
 - b. Memo from Michael Gray, DPW Director, dated January 12, 2023
 - c. Photographs – 3 pages
 - d. Site Plan and Building Plan for the Jamestown DPW Workshop/Storage Building

Michael Gray, Director of Public Works, introduced himself and explained the application for construction of a new workshop/storage building at 5 Freebody Drive, Plat 7 Lot 1. He stated this project has the support of the Town Council and he will go in front of the Zoning Board also. The Town has been saving funds over many budgets to pay for this project. The workshop building, 32 feet x 16 feet, will be a simple wood frame and truss roof with two garage doors.

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The building will be built in-house. The building will have the same foot-print as the current space that the Town Carpenter Ramon uses in the unheated garage.

Some examples of the works constructed in house are: Mackerel Cove beach house, bathrooms at West Ferry, pavilion at East Ferry and the Department is building the Fort Getty gatehouse.

Gray explained parking. There are 11 employees. There are 19 parking spaces. Calculated 33 spaces are needed. Previously the calculated space included unheated storage bays so there is a smaller number of spaces required now since unheated space is exempted.

Discussion ensued regarding heating the building. Gray stated that the building will be insulated and heated with propane unit heaters, and he getting estimates for the possibility of radiant heat in the floors.

Discussion ensued regarding the drawing of the plans. As a Professional Engineer, Gray is able to draw up the plans. The plans are simple and the truss will be engineered.

Discussion ensued regarding comments from the abutters. Notices were mailed out by the Zoning Department and an advertisement was in the Jamestown Press. There have been no comments from abutters.

Discussion ensued regarding number of parking spaces needed. The amount of parking spaces needed has been recalculated from the 33 spaces needed with the special use permit granted in 2008. There was 4,000 square feet of exempt space included in the original calculation, and the new number of spaces needed is 26. Bryer stated that she will include enclosures on the Memorandum to the Zoning Board and they will have the full history.

A motion was moved by Commissioner Swistak and seconded by Commissioner Enright as follows:

At the January 18 Planning Commission meeting, they voted to Grant Preliminary Approval for the Development Plans submitted by the Town and reviewed by the Planning Commission on January 18, 2023. Approval includes the following plans:

1. Site Plan - Jamestown DPW Workshop/Storage Building – 5 Freebody Drive, Jamestown, RI. Dated December 2022;
2. Building Plan - Jamestown DPW Workshop/Storage Building – 5 Freebody Drive, Jamestown, RI. Dated January 2023.

The approval is based on the following Findings of Fact:

1. The Technical Review Committee reviewed the proposed plans and felt all issues were addressed;
2. The Town Council reviewed and approved the proposed plans on January 3, 2023;
3. The previously granted variance for 33 spaces where 19 exist and the time spent working in and with the building and parking lot indicates that there is ample parking for the additional square footage based on the previous calculation that included 4,925 square feet

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of unheated garage space. It is the opinion of Peter Medeiros, Zoning Enforcement Officer, that the unheated garage bays are exempt based on the definition of gross leasable floor area (GFLA) in the Zoning Ordinance;

4. In addition to parking, the TRC reviewed the topics of circulation, stormwater mitigation, buffering, lighting, building materials which raised no concerns;
5. The TRC recognized the importance in the increase in working efficiency and safety by the addition of the new building.

In addition, the Planning Commission supports the amendment to the existing special use permit to build the proposed DPW workshop/storage building and if needed, a variance for seven additional parking spaces. The special use permit was initially granted to build the existing Highway Garage, in accordance with Table 3-1, (IV), Government, Education, Institutional (10) Government Owned Utility Facility in the public zoning district.

So voted:

Commissioner Pendlebury – aye Commissioner Enright – aye
 Commissioner Harrison – aye Commissioner Pfeiffer – aye
 Commissioner Swistak - aye
 Motion carries 5-0.

IV. Correspondence

1. Memorandum to Town Council from Town Planner – Jamestown Energy Plan – Recommendation for review and approval – January 5, 2023
2. Preliminary Subdivision Approval letter, 165 Hamilton Avenue – December 9, 2022
3. Goyette/Alexander Administrative Subdivision approval, AP 1 Lots 90 and 359

Correspondence was recognized as received.

V. Reports

- Planner's Report
 - Future meetings – topics and applications

Bryer stated that there are not a lot of applications in the near future. Further discussion on ADUs will be held at the next meeting. The Planning Commission schedule for the next few months was reviewed. There will be two meetings in February on February 1 and February 15. The meeting on March 1 will be cancelled. There will be a meeting on March 15. The meeting on April 5 will be cancelled. There will be a meeting on April 19. The Zoning Ordinance Workshops were discussed for February and March Meetings.

Discussion ensued regarding Short Term Rentals. Bryer stated that she is working diligently with Granicus Corporation to create the online registration platform for the Town. Online registration will be ready in May 2023 for the calendar year of 2024. Home inspections for fire and zoning will start in March. A working group consisting of Bryer, Mary Meagher and Randy White met with a group of citizens who had objections with the Short-Term Rental Ordinance. The working group will meet with the citizens one more time and then bring any amendments to Short-Term Rental before the Town Council for the public hearing and approval.

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VI. Old Business - none

VII. Approval of Minutes – review, discussion and/or action and/or vote

1. December 7, 2022

A motion was moved by Commissioner Enright and seconded by Commissioner Harrison to approve the minutes from December 7, 2022 as amended. All in favor.

Page 2: paragraph 4 changed to “Commissioner Harrison asked if the size of the proposed dwelling is definite?”

Page 4: paragraph 3: “on” added to read “that on any parcel...” “use” added after permitted for “permitted use”

Page 4: paragraph 4: “its” added to read “repealed its AFDU ordinance” and “a” added to read “putting out a survey...”

Page 4: paragraph 5: “the” added to read “successful and the majority...”

VIII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 7:34pm was moved by Commissioner Enright and seconded by Commissioner Pfeiffer. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Carrie Kolb and Lisa Bryer

**Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Jamestown Philomenian Library
Wednesday, June 15, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Walter Bopp, Jim Simmons, Steve Heath, John Murphy, Darcy Magratten, Beth Herman, Steve Saracino (phone), Barbara Lundy. Excused - Carol Coleman.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: John M. made a motion to approve the May 18th minutes, seconded by Walter. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications: None

Tree Warden Correspondence and Report: See attached.

76 Beacon Street: Steve S. continues to follow up on request to remove trees at this location. He recommends removal and replanting with other town trees.

National Grid: Work has proceeded with no complaints so far. John M noted that RI Energy has taken over from National Grid.

Nursery deer fencing: Mike Gray assured Joe that temporary nylon fencing will be delivered by the end of June.

Tree nursery cleanup: Jim S and a team of high school students will continue to work at the nursery approximately 2-3x per month. Jim will send names and pix for posting on the new website.

Tree watering: Mike G. previously agreed to place a gator bag around last year's Arbor Day tree. Steve S. hopes that the DPW will do this and keep it filled. John M noted that water to fill a gator bag for this year's Arbor Day tree could be accessed from his office.

Tree planting initiative: Walter summarized the results of a walkthrough of Narragansett Avenue east of the North Road with Steve S, Jim and Beth on 5/21. The purpose was to identify locations where existing trees needed to be replaced or new trees planted. 18 locations were identified. Walter noted that the work will need to be phased, but that it should start asap. Priority should be given to replacement of the four tree lilacs in poor health closest to the Ferry with trees more tolerant of the location and planting of new trees in front of St. Matthews Church. It was also suggested that the Jamestown Press might be

receptive to placing a tree on their property. Darcy noted that the inventory in progress could be used to specify locations. John noted that Narragansett Ave. is a state road. Steve S will check with Jaime Hainsworth to determine if this causes any issues. It was also noted that citizens should be responsible for care of the trees adjacent to their property. A question was raised regarding potential new trees causing problems with the sidewalks or underground pipes. One difficulty is that the existing tree pits are very small.

Unfinished Business:

New committee member: A notice will appear in the Jamestown Press on Thursday. Walter suggested that a good candidate would be both tech savvy and have a connection to young people. CISF members would be well qualified but may be too busy. Several other candidates were suggested including Bill Hutchinson and Corinne Diehl.

Tree Inventory: Beth contacted Lou Allard concerning creating a payment method for student volunteers. Lou noted that gift cards would be acceptable.

Nursery signage: The existing damaged sign was removed by DPW and thrown away. However it should be straightforward to measure the existing frame in order to design a new sign.

Tree walk brochure: Steve H. will produce 10 acrylic boxes to hold the brochures by Friday. They will include a request for a donation of \$1.00. Darcy will schedule a time for Joe Verstandig to conduct a live tree walk.

Website. Darcy is working on content. We can accept checks payable to the Jamestown Tree Committee but a mechanism for on-line donations needs to be researched. We also may need a separate account for tree walk brochure donations.

Educational lecture. Champion Tree lecture by John Campanini at 6:30 on August 4th at Town Hall is on schedule. Darcy will prepare an ad to be placed in the Jamestown Press and flyers to hand out.

4th of July Parade: Darcy is working on a banner and hats for the Tree Committee to wear at the parade.

Favorite Tree contest: Will require publicity.

New Business: A meeting with Nikki Vasquez, Executive Director of the Jamestown Housing Authority, is scheduled for June 22, to discuss landscaping of the project. Unfortunately because the property is owned by the State and not the town of Jamestown, the town can only provide trees limited to the areas abutting town streets. However, we can

provide advice and suggestions. It was suggested that grants may be available for this work.

Liaison and Other Reports. None.

Open Forum. None.

Future Agenda Topics; Items of Interest. None.

Adjourn: There being no further business, Darcy moved to adjourn, seconded by Jim. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, July 20th, at the Jamestown Philomenian Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Herman, Secretary

**Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Jamestown Philomenian Library
Wednesday, July 20, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Walter Bopp, Jim Simmons, John Murphy, Beth Herman, Darcy Magratten (phone), Steve Saracino (phone), Barbara Lundy. Absent - Steve Heath
Observers - Richard Kingsley, Haley Barber.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: John M. made a motion to approve the June 17th minutes, seconded by Jim. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications: None. Steve S. continues to work on the previously received willow replacement request. He will work with the homeowner to determine the best location.

Tree Warden Correspondence and Report: See attached.

Steve S. is working with Joe Ford. Mike Gray is also providing assistance until a replacement can be found.

National Grid: Work continues.

Nursery deer fencing: Proposals for deer fencing have been received. A copy was circulated. Although "temporary," the proposed fencing should last for 15 years. It can be folded up for mowing. A new gate is also needed. The fence will be paid for by the DPW.

Tree nursery cleanup: Jim S and a team of high school students will continue to work at the nursery. Their work is greatly appreciated. Jim will send names and pix for posting on the website.

Narragansett Avenue tree planting initiative: Joe Ford met with Jaime Hainsworth to discuss. They have scheduled a walkthrough for 9 AM Tuesday. Walter will attend.

Unfinished Business:

New Committee member: The observers introduced themselves and Walter gave a brief overview of committee activities. We have not determined who the applicant is who responded to the Town notice for the position.

Tree planting initiative: see above.

Nursery signage: Darcy submitted information for a new sign. It would be outdoor grade acrylic and would cost approximately \$206. John proposed approval of the purchase, seconded by Jim. The motion was approved unanimously.

Tree Inventory: John suggested that in view of the challenges associated with using the iPad, a paper form also be used for data collection. This would enable multiple people to collect data simultaneously. The collected data could be input into the database at a later date. Beth and Darcy will follow up.

Tree walk brochure and tour: Darcy submitted an estimated cost of \$860 plus \$50 shipping for 2,000 copies of the brochure. John moved to reimburse costs up to \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Jim and approved unanimously. Darcy suggested printing 1,000 copies as a first run. Steve H. is working on boxes to hold the brochures. Darcy will contact Joe Verstandig to schedule a walking tour for up to twelve people. She suggested scheduling it for the fall. Free copies of the brochure will be distributed at the upcoming John Campanini lecture.

Website. Expanded information about the trees listed on the tour has been posted on the website.

Educational lecture. Champion Tree lecture by John Campanini at 6:30 on August 4th at Town Hall is on schedule. Darcy will prepare an ad to be placed in the Jamestown Press and flyers to hand out. Beth will contact the Rhode Island Wild Plant Society and URI Master Gardeners to post in their online publications.

Favorite Tree contest: Darcy suggested purchasing banners to drape on the favorite trees once they are identified.

Jamestown Housing Authority: Jim and Beth met with Nikki Vasquez and toured the property. Because a new boiler system needs to be installed, it is likely that the grounds will be torn up, and a master landscaping plan needed. We explained that because the property is not owned by the town we cannot provide internal tree assistance, but could help with street trees.

New Business:

Darcy proposed a logo with a squirrel theme for the Tree Committee. Walter made a motion to approve, seconded by Jim. The motion was approved unanimously.

Due to upcoming renovations at the Library, a new monthly meeting location is required. Beth contacted Ray de Falco at the town Recreation Department, which is responsible for scheduling the meeting rooms at the new golf course facility. Priority is given to town

committees. We have received approval to use the small meeting room at the golf course for four months commencing September 21, 2022.

Liaison and Other Reports. None.

Open Forum. None.

Future Agenda Topics; Items of Interest. None.

Adjourn: There being no further business, Walter moved to adjourn, seconded by Jim. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, July 20th, at the Jamestown Golf Course, 245 Conanicus Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Herman, Secretary

**Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Jamestown Philomenian Library
Wednesday, August 17, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Walter Bopp, Jim Simmons, John Murphy, Beth Herman, Darcy Magratten, Steve Heath, Barbara Lundy. Absent - Steve Saracino
Observer - Donna Repko

Reading and Approval of Minutes: John M. made a motion to approve the July 20th minutes, seconded by Jim. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications:

Beth reported on correspondence she had with John Blais, the Recreation Director of the City of Pawtucket, regarding qualifying for Arbor Day and setting up a tree committee. John was referred to us by Anne Kuhn-Hines, Chair of the Jamestown Conservation Commission. A copy of the correspondence will be distributed to TC members.

A request was received for removal of two trees at 628 East Shore Road. Steve S. is following up.

Beth submitted an invoice to the DPW on August 2 to reimburse Darcy for expenses totaling \$899.89 for printing of the Tree Walk brochure and printing the Tree Nursery sign. These items were previously agreed to by Mike Gray. They need to be approved by the town.

Tree Warden Correspondence and Report: See attached.

Narragansett Ave. tree planting initiative: See below. A summary of the meeting with town officials and Walter was provided to TC members on July 29. Steve is investigating the possible purchase of Fastigiata Sargent cherry trees for the Bay View site.

National Grid: Work continues with no major issues.

Nursery deer fencing: Per Joe Ford, the deer fencing has been ordered and should arrive in a couple of weeks.

Tree nursery cleanup: General maintenance continues.

Tree removal: A request was received to remove a hazardous Norway Maple at 30 Melrose Avenue. Steve is following up.

Unfinished Business:

New Committee member(s): The previously unidentified applicant, Donna Repko, introduced herself and provided a brief overview of her background and interest in the committee. Several additional names were also suggested. It was noted that Richard Kingsley submitted an application, while Haley Barber had not.

Narragansett Avenue tree planting initiative: Jaime Hainsworth approved the purchase of four trees, possibly cherry, to be planted on Narragansett Avenue in front of the Bay View condo. The existing trees will be relocated. Darcy noted that during their bloom period of one week cherry trees would attract honeybees. The work will be done in September.

Jaime expressed concern with other hellstrip planting due to potential damage to the sidewalk by tree roots, as has occurred previously. Darcy noted that there is a flexible covering which could solve the problem. St. Mark's Church would like additional trees. Relocation of a tree pit by one square in front of the church was suggested. A suggestion was also made to re-open the tree pit in front of the Bomes theater.

Nursery signage: Jim will mount the new sign in the existing frame.

Tree Inventory: The new paper forms were distributed. Beth, Darcy, Jim and students will use them to survey on Sunday between 10-12 am.

Tree walk brochure and tour: Darcy noted that the English Oak on the tour had been severely pruned and expressed concern about the impact on the tree's health. It is on private property so we have no jurisdiction. Steve S. will follow up.

The walking tour with Joe Verstandig of the Newport Tree Conservancy has been scheduled for September 17th at 10 AM. There will be a pre-walk the week before. A microphone is needed. Publicity was discussed, including sending an email to Champion Tree lecture respondents. It was suggested that the Jamestown Press run an article.

Locations for the four completed tree tour brochure boxes were discussed. Possible locations include Slice of Heaven, Jamestown Outdoors, Town Hall, the Beavertail Lighthouse, East Ferry Deli and the windmill. Steve will construct three additional boxes and Darcy will place them. Prior to their distribution, Darcy suggested writing a letter to those residents with trees on the tour and distributing some brochures to them.

Website and donations. It was again noted that Tina Collins agreed to contact Michael G. re linking the Tree Committee website to the Town website.

Educational lecture. Darcy will follow up with the Rhode Island Tree Council to reschedule.

Arbor Day: It was noted that the Arbor Day tree planted on the bike path two years ago is dying. DPW did not provide a gator bag as agreed. Steve will follow up. Darcy noted that the Arbor Day organization is distributing free trees, which could be added to the nursery. Beth and Darcy will follow up.

Favorite Tree contest: Darcy met with Casey from Out of the Box re getting their clients involved. Contacting Haley at CISF was suggested. It was noted that the Jamestown Press once ran an article by Matt Largess about his favorite tree. Beth will bring a flyer to the Jamestown Recreation center for posting. Darcy again suggested purchase of a beauty banner to adorn the best submission.

New Business: None.

Liaison and Other Reports. Barbara L. noted that the Conservation Commission is working on a new trail map. The commission did not meet during the summer and will reconvene in September.

Open Forum. None

Future Agenda Topics; Items of Interest. None

Adjourn: There being no further business, Darcy moved to adjourn, seconded by Steve H. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 21st, at the Jamestown Golf Course, 245 Conanicus Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Herman, Secretary

**Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Jamestown Golf Course
Wednesday, September 21, 2022
Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Walter Bopp, Jim Simmons, John Murphy, Beth Herman, Darcy Magratten, Steve Heath, Barbara Lundy, Steve Saracino (by phone). Absent - none.
Observer - Donna Repko

Reading and Approval of Minutes: John M. made a motion to approve the August 17th minutes, seconded by Richard. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications:

The committee was informed that Mike Gray will be returning to his post as head of the DPW.

Tree Warden Correspondence and Report: See attached.

Narragansett Ave. tree planting initiative: Steve received a list of available trees from Morningstar Nursery this morning. He will distribute. There are no Sargent cherries in stock. However, there are other cherries as well as other slender vertical-form trees such as hornbeams and Liquid Amber sweet gums (which produce fewer gumballs). Donna R. noted that there are some on the west side of Southwest Avenue close to the beach. Other possible trees include magnolias or smaller maples. Walter asked Steve whether he was satisfied with Morningstar as a source. Steve confirmed that he thinks they are satisfactory based on previous experience and our need for a quick turnaround. Walter inquired as to timing. Could October 21 be set as a deadline? Steve reported that Joe Ford agreed to remove the existing trees within 1-2 weeks, possibly as early as tomorrow. He expects prep work to be complete before Halloween. Walter and Steve will circulate their choices for committee comments. It is unlikely they will select cherries as there are already a large number of them along Narragansett Avenue.

National Grid: Work nearing completion with no major issues.

Nursery deer fencing: Will be installed in 1-2 weeks. Steve S. is waiting for a confirmed date. Walter inquired about the gate. Steve S. stated that he and DPW are working on it. Vines and underbrush need to be cleared first. The fence will be 8-10 feet in height.

Tree nursery cleanup: General maintenance continues. The mower, which had been damaged by mice, has been repaired and will be stored at the DPW garage.

Tree removal: A request was received to remove a diseased tree at 56 Cole Street. Steve S. will follow up. Beth inquired about the status of a healthy oak tree on Luther which the owner had requested for removal. Steve S. reported that he is working with the homeowner to reach a compromise. Darcy asked about the recent extensive trimming of an English oak on the corner of High and Howland. It is on the tree walk. Steve S. will review.

Unfinished Business:

New Committee member(s): The committee welcomed Richard Kingsley as a new member and Donna Repko as an observer. Donna volunteered to mulch, water and weed if needed.

Narragansett Avenue tree planting initiative: See above.

Nursery signage: After taking the entire frame apart, Jim was able to mount the new sign in the existing frame.

Tree Inventory: Jim will organize students to continue inventory work. Right now they are busy with sports. The collected information, currently on paper, will be entered into the Ipad later in the year.

Tree walk brochure and tour: The walking tour with Joe Verstandig of the Newport Tree Conservancy has been scheduled for September 17th at 10 AM. There will be a pre-walk shortly. Joe stated that he can accommodate up to 30 people, and he will provide a microphone. Darcy will distribute letters to the homeowners whose trees are on the tour tomorrow. Darcy is creating an ad and press release. Beth will assist with publicity.

Locations for the five tree tour brochure boxes were finalized. They will be placed at Conanicut Marine, the Beavertail Museum, Slice of Heaven, Town Hall, and the East Ferry Deli.

Educational lecture. The John Campanini Champion Tree lecture has been rescheduled for 6:30 on Thursday, October 20th in the large meeting room at the Jamestown Golf Course, which can hold up to 65 people. Darcy will submit ads and press releases to the Jamestown Press. Beth will assist with other publicity. Donna will post on Jamestown Facebook page.

Favorite Tree contest: Barbara Lundy provided the first submission. She also discussed the project with the Conservation Commission. Steve H. Will contact Haley Barber of CISF to publicize.

New Business: None.

Liaison and Other Reports. Barbara distributed a flyer for a workshop about coastal resilience at Round Marsh to be held on Thursday September 22nd. The workshop will convene at the Jamestown Golf Course at 3:00.

Open Forum. None

Future Agenda Topics; Items of Interest. None

Adjourn: There being no further business, John moved to adjourn, seconded by Richard. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Next Meeting: The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, October 19th, at the Jamestown Golf Course. Since the Jamestown Library will be temporarily moving into the Golf Course in November while construction occurs, a new location for the Tree Committee will have to be found for subsequent meetings. Beth will follow up.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Herman, Secretary

Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Jamestown Golf Course
Wednesday, October 19, 2022
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Walter Bopp, Jim Simmons, Richard Kingsley, John Murphy, Beth Herman, Darcy Magratten, Barbara Lundy, Steve Saracino (by phone). Absent - Steve Heath.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: John made a motion to approve the September 21st minutes, seconded by Jim. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications: Two tree removal requests were received (see below).

Tree Warden Correspondence and Report: See attached.

General: Walter asked about trees on the corner of Hamilton and Southwest Avenue being cut down. These may be on private property. Steve S. will follow up.

Narragansett Ave. tree planting initiative: Four trees were planted as previously selected, including 2 red maples, one Yoshino cherry and one Sugar Tyme crabapple. They will provide nice color in both spring and fall. Walter noted that this is a good example of what the Tree Committee can accomplish. He suggested inviting Administrator Hainsworth and Mike Gray on a tour of the new plantings. Walter will arrange. He also noted that the trees need to be watered. Steve S. said that DPW will keep the gator bags filled. Next priority areas for new planting could be in front of St. Mark's church and the Bomes theater.

Nursery: Deer fencing has been installed by the DPW. A strong wood framed gate is being fabricated. Walter asked about the 18" gap at the bottom of the fence. Steve S. explained that the vendor said the fence needs a week to settle. Steve S. will perform an updated inventory once a few remaining trees arrive. Walter asked if there are plans to plant any more trees this year. Steve S. noted that Mike Gray is interested in placing some on the bike path.

Tree removal requests: Removal requests were received for 49 Prospect Ave/Summit Ave and 56 Cole Street. Ailing trees in front of Chopmist Charlie's and the Bomes Theater also need to be removed and replaced with trees from the nursery. Steve S. is following up.

Unfinished Business:

Narragansett Ave: see above. The Tree Committee suggests offering to place a tree on the lawn in front of the Jamestown Press. John will follow up with them. They can select their own tree from the nursery. John asked what happens to the wood from the trees that are removed.

Tree nursery: Darcy noted that there are over a dozen large trees in the nursery that need to be replanted asap. She suggested creation of an "adopt a tree" program for residents. It could be publicized with photos of the available trees. A lottery could be held. It might be possible to interest a local arborist such as Atlantic, Largesse or Greener Pastures in planting them cheaply.

Walter noted that the new signage looks terrific.

Darcy noted that the irrigation system is disassembled. It may not be necessary. Walter distributed information about "tree diapers," an inexpensive alternative to gator bags. Could they be used on Narragansett Avenue trees? Possibly, but they might be damaged there. Darcy noted that they might be attractive to wildlife.

Tree Inventory: No updates.

Tree walk tour: The tour on October 15th was a great success. Despite the limit of 30 people for the walk, 48 people showed up and it lasted two hours. We thank Joe Verstandig for conducting the walk, Jim for carrying the microphone and John for his donation to the speaker.

Tree walk brochure: \$3.00 was collected from the Beavertail Museum, now closed. Jim collected \$7.00. Jim will replenish the brochures in the boxes as needed.

Educational lecture: The Champion Tree lecture at the Golf Course is scheduled for tomorrow, October 20th at 6:30. We may consider recording it. Going forward, Beth suggested beech leaf disease as a timely topic. She will follow up with Heather Faubert, Cynthia Kwolek and Alana Russell.

Favorite Tree nominations: One entry so far. How to publicize it was discussed. It was suggested that word of mouth could be used now, with formal publicity in the spring. Erica Connolly, an art teacher at the Jamestown school, may be interested. Darcy will contact her. Walter suggested featuring it in the banner on the website.

New Business:

Donations: It was agreed that we should begin to make an increased effort to collect donations. We will "pass the hat" at the Champion Tree lecture.

Budget: Beth noted that as we expand our activities and both spend and receive funds, the Tree Committee could use a treasurer. John M. volunteered to fill the position. He suggested that we develop a budget to present to Jaime Hainsworth, Mike Gray and Tina Collins.

Liaison and Other Reports.

Barbara Lundy, our Conservation Commission liaison, noted that the Commission is considering creation of an "Earth Day Fair" event which would occur between Arbor Day and Earth Day. It could have booths representing all conservation-related organizations in Jamestown. The Tree Committee enthusiastically supported this idea.

Barbara reported that the Hull Street restoration is progressing. She noted that Seaweed Farm is applying for a permit to grow seaweed - it already is growing oysters. The Gould Island restoration continues, as does work on an updated trail map.

Open Forum. None

Future Agenda Topics; Items of Interest.

Walter noted that the TC must elect officers in January. He offered to resign as Chairperson if others were interested. He also asked the committee to think about areas we wish to focus on in 2023.

Adjourn: There being no further business, John moved to adjourn, seconded by Jim. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Next Meeting: The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, November 16th, in the **Jamestown Town Hall small meeting room**. This meeting room has been reserved for our monthly meetings through December 2023 or until such time as the Library work is completed.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Herman, Secretary

Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Jamestown Town Hall
Wednesday, November 16, 2022
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.

Roll Call: Present - Walter Bopp, Jim Simmons, Richard Kingsley, John Murphy, Beth Herman, Darcy Magratten, Steve Saracino (by phone). Absent: Steve Heath, Barbara Lundy. Observer - Donna Repko.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: John made a motion to approve the October 19th revised minutes, seconded by Richard. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Communications: Two tree removal requests were received (see below).

Tree Warden Correspondence and Report: See attached.

Narragansett Ave. tree planting initiative: Steve S. checked the unhealthy Zelkova in front of the Bomes theater and met with the DPW concerning its removal. It is scheduled to be removed before Thanksgiving and replaced by an Armstrong maple currently in the tree nursery. Darcy spoke to the Jamestown Press and they would like a tree. Robert will go to the nursery with Steve S. to select a tree. Darcy will take pictures and follow up.

Tree Nursery: The gate for the deer fence has been installed. It is 95% complete, only needs handles. John noted that there were many voracious deer about this year. Walter asked if they could get under the fence. Steve S. said no but suggested some additional marking to make the fence more visible. The gap at the bottom will be adjusted. Walter asked about late season tree purchases. Steve S. noted that he had visited Morningstar nursery and will look at some candidates after Thanksgiving. Walter asked how Steve made his choices. Steve noted that he will take any maples, especially paperbarks, and will also try to find some unusual ones. Darcy inquired about an updated inventory of nursery trees. Steve S. said he will do this next week. It will then be posted on the TC website. Darcy asked if he could include height and caliper.

Tree removal requests: Removal requests were received for 34 Marine Avenue and 56 Cole Street. The former may need pruning - Steve and the TC will check. The latter was in very poor shape and removed by DPW.

General: Donna wondered who had planted the trees on the approach to Fort Getty. They were purchased by the homeowner and planted by DPW. Walter asked how often disputes

occur between homeowner tree removal requests and the Town. Steve said they were rare. John noted that there was once a controversy about owls in a tree near the post office. Walter noted that the TC gets involved only if the tree warden and the homeowner disagree. Beth asked if there were any legal protections for designated champion trees. John noted that there were not.

Unfinished Business:

Town Tree Inventory: Richard will enter the data from the paper forms into the IPad. The survey teams need to send him the corresponding photos. A question was raised about people using chainsaws on Calvert Avenue around the tennis courts. Beth explained that they were clearing property belonging to the Conanicut Yacht Club as per CYC's garden committee instructions.

Tree walk tour: We hope to schedule a reprise of the tour in the spring.

Website: Walter asked how many hits it had received to date. Darcy said 8 or 9. Tina Collins has linked the TC website to the Town website.

Educational lecture: The John Campanini lecture went well, with \$43 collected. It was suggested that we repeat it.

Favorite Tree nominations: Walter suggested that each TC member submit a nomination to jump start the process. Darcy suggested that we focus on this activity in the spring.

Donations and treasurer: John asked if we really needed a treasurer. One may not be necessary. Walter and Darcy noted that we need a budget regardless. Donna will start a spreadsheet for discussion at the next meeting. It was suggested that we include four lectures at \$100 each.

New Business:

Publicity: Darcy brought Walter's article about the new trees on Narragansett Avenue to the Jamestown Press.

Future lectures and activities: Beth reported that she had spoken to Heather Faubert about giving her lecture about insect pests, but that Heather is now only working part time during the day. Beth made a motion to approve \$100 plus expenses if Heather would be willing to give the talk in the evening. The motion was seconded by Darcy and approved unanimously. Beth will follow up. Beth suggested hiring Clem les Jardins, an arborist and expert on beech trees, to give a lecture about beech leaf disease. Walter will follow up. Darcy suggested having a panel discussion with several arborists to focus on other diseases and treatments.

Earth Day: An email from Barbara Lundy, TC Conservation Commission liaison, was previously circulated concerning establishment of a 2023 Earth Day event with participation by all relevant Jamestown organizations. TC members agreed that we would like to participate in this activity.

Other: Walter announced that he will be resigning from the TC at the end of his term in December. Donna Repko will reapply for membership. The TC must vote for officers in January. John suggested that Donna and Beth form a nomination committee.

Liaison and Other Reports. None

Open Forum. None

Future Agenda Topics; Items of Interest. None.

Adjourn: There being no further business, Beth moved to adjourn, seconded by Darcy. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Next Meeting: The next Tree Committee meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm on Wednesday, December 21st, in the **Jamestown Town Hall small meeting room**. This meeting room has been reserved for our monthly meetings through December 2023 or until such time as the Library work is completed.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Herman, Secretary

**Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
Attendance Log 2022**

	Jan 19 (1)	Feb 17	Mar 16	Apr 20	May 18	Jun 15	Jul 20	Aug 17	Sep 21	Oct 19	Nov 16	Dec 21
Walter Bopp	P	P	P(3)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Beth Herman	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Darcy Magratten	P	A	P	P	P	P	P(3)	P	P	P	P	P
Carol Coleman (4)	P	P	A	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Steve Heath	P	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	P	A	A	A
John Murphy	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jim Simmons	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steve Saracino	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)	A	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)	P(3)
George Souza (2)	A	O(5)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Barbara Lundy (2)	-	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Donna Repko (5)								O	O	O	O	
Richard Kingsley (5)(6)							O		P	P	P	P
Haley Barber (5)							O					

- (1) Meeting held via Zoom due to Covid
- (2) Barbara Lundy replaced George Souza as Conservation Commission Liaison as of 2/17/22
- (3) By phone
- (4) Carol Coleman resigned as of May 2022
- (5) O = Observer
- (6) Richard Kingsley was appointed to the Committee as of 9/22

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TAX ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 30, 2023
2:00 PM - Town Hall

I. Call Meeting to Order / Roll Call

The Tax Assessment Board of Review met in the Town Hall Conference Room, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, RI on January 30, 2023 at 2:00 pm and the meeting was called to order by Member: David Dolce. The following people were also in attendance: Board Members – Stuart Rice (secretary), Beth Smith (alternate / member), Christine Brochu (tax assessor), William Dawson (Chairman-not present).

II. Approve Minutes from December 12, 2022, Meeting

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to accept the Minutes from December 12, 2022. Seconded by Beth Smith. All were in favor. Minutes approved.

III. New Business:

Appeal for 34 Dumpling Drive, Plat 10 Lot 115, Cornelia & Mark Sertl, the owners did not attend the meeting. The board reviewed and discussed the data supplied by the owner for the appeal.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by Stuart Rice. All were in favor.

Appeal for 18 Norman Road, Plat 5 Lot 470, Kyle & Huriye Llewellyn, Kyle Llewellyn attended the meeting. He explained how he felt the value was unfair. The house is a primary home and not an investment property. He discussed the percent increase of the value of other properties in the area compared to his. He went over paperwork he supplied with the appeal. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: Beth Smith made a motion to adjust the value to \$621,900. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 16 Bay Terrace, Plat 7 Lot 116, Dennis Bonvouloir & Judith Ricci, Dennis Bonvouloir attended the meeting. Dennis went over the information he supplied for the appeal. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by Beth Smith. All were in favor.

Appeal for 129 Walcott Avenue, Plat 9 Lot 651, Marv Kirk & Jonathan Carlisle, Ellen Toner, Jerome Scott and Primrose Bullock attended the meeting. Ellen Toner went over her appraisal report. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion to adjust the value to \$1,600,000. Seconded by Beth Smith. All were in favor.

Appeal for 11 Seaside Drive, Plat 14 Lot 19, Anita Acampora, Anita described her house and her neighbor's houses. She feels the value is unfair. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by Stuart Rice. All were in favor.

I. Schedule next meeting(s) or accept and approve the minutes of the January 30, 2023 meeting

No additional meetings were scheduled. The Board discussed and decided to accept the minutes of the January 30, 2023 meeting.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to accept the January 30, 2023 meeting minutes. Stuart Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor.

IV. **Adjournment**

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to adjourn. Sturt Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at **4:35 PM**


_____, Secretary- Stuart Rice
Tax Assessment Board of Review

Date approved by Tax Board 1-31-23

**Town of Jamestown
Tax Assessment Board of Review
Organizational Meeting Minutes
November 21, 2022 at 3:30 PM**

The Tax Assessment Board of Review met at Jamestown Town Hall.

The following people were in attendance:

Board Members, Stuart Rice, William Dawson, David Dolce and Beth Smith (alternate);
Tax Assessor, Christine Brochu.

The Board heard welcoming remarks from Tax Assessor, Christine Brochu.
Introductions were made.

Meeting was called to order by Christine Brochu at 3:30 p.m.

The Board then elected the following officers for the current tax year:

David Dolce recommended William Dawson to be re-elected as Chairman. That was
seconded by Stuart Rice. William Dawson accepted to be Chairman. Unanimous vote.

Chairman Dawson asked for a volunteer for the Secretary: William Dawson
recommended alternate Stuart Rice. That was seconded by David Dolce. Unanimous
vote.

The Board is available to meet on November 29th and 30th. December 1,2,5,6 or 7.
Christine Brochu will schedule the meetings appropriately.

Christine Brochu should take roll call at each meeting.

Meetings should be called to order by Chairman.

A quorum is 3 members, so if one member cannot attend the meeting, the meeting may
still continue as scheduled.

Meeting minutes should be posted at two places in town, on the secretary of state's
website more than 48 hours in advance to the meeting.

Meeting packets will be given to each member prior to each meeting. All members
agreed to pick up the packets.

William Dawson made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by David Dolce. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at **4:00 PM**


_____, Secretary- Stuart Rice
Tax Assessment Board of Review

Date approved by Tax Board 12-1-2022

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TAX ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 1, 2022

3:00 PM - Town Hall

I. Call Meeting to Order / Roll Call

The Tax Assessment Board of Review met in the Town Conference Room, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, RI on December 1, 2022 at 3:00 pm and the meeting was called to order by Chairman: William Dawson. The following people were also in attendance: Board Members – Stuart Rice (secretary), David Dolce (member), Beth Smith (alternate) and tax assessor, Christine Brochu.

II. Approve Minutes from November 21, 2022, Organizational Meeting

Motion: To accept the Minutes from November 21, 2022, by David Dolce. Seconded by Stuart Rice. All were in favor. Minutes approved

III. New Business:

Appeal for 78 Whittier Road, Plat 8 Lot 228, Jennifer & Justin Shull, the owners were present along with Jim Houle, Appraiser. Mr. Houle gave some examples of sales in the area. He suggested the value of the property around \$2,000,000. It was explained that the outbuilding is not rentable. They renovated the first level for a living space for a family member. The board reviewed and discussed the data supplied for the appeal.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion for no change in value and to deny the appeal. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 13 Boom Street, Plat 14 Lot 356, Eleanor Hanson, No one attended the meeting.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion for this appeal to go on the next meeting agenda. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 2 Clarkes Village Lane, Plat 12 Lot 86, Varoujan & Vartanoosh Karentz, No one attended the meeting.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion for this appeal to go on the next meeting agenda. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 104 Racquet Road, Plat 9 Lot 329, Smyth Family Roundhouse, c/o Attorney Alexander Walsh, No one attended the meeting.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion for this appeal to go on the next meeting agenda. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

IV. Schedule next meeting(s):

The next meeting was scheduled for December 12, 2022, at 2:00 pm. Board asked Christine Brochu to call the “no shows” from today and to edit the meeting notice. They want the notice to have the following sentence added: “You may ask for a representative to attend on your behalf.” They do not want to continue to reschedule the appeals if the appellants do not attend and hope this will help clarify the notice.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to accept the meeting date. Stuart Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor.

V **Adjournment**

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to adjourn. Sturt Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at **4:17 PM**


_____, Secretary- Stuart Rice
Tax Assessment Board of Review

Date approved by Tax Board 12-12-22

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TAX ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 12, 2022
2:00 PM - Town Hall

I. Call Meeting to Order / Roll Call

The Tax Assessment Board of Review met in the Town Conference Room, 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, RI on December 12, 2022 at 2:00 pm and the meeting was called to order by Chairman: William Dawson. The following people were also in attendance: Board Members – Stuart Rice (secretary), David Dolce (member), Beth Smith (alternate), Christine Brochu (tax assessor) and Carrie Kolb (clerk).

II. Approve Minutes from December 1, 2022, Meeting

Motion: To accept the Minutes from December 1, 2022, by David Dolce. Seconded by Stuart Rice. All were in favor. Minutes approved

III. New Business:

Appeal for 13 Boom Street, Plat 14 Lot 356, Eleanor Hanson, the owner distributed a handout of assessment comparisons and an explanation of the appeal. She went through the data with the board. She also handed out photographs of the two bedrooms and explained the rooms sizes are 9'x9' and the other is approximately 6' x 15'. Board Member Dolce asked about updates to the house. Owner explained the kitchen was updated prior to her purchase 19 years ago. The house has hardwoods and some carpet in the bedrooms. Most walls are drywall. In the 19' x 16' rear area there is wood paneling on the walls and ceiling. The bathroom is small, being only about 6' wide. The board reviewed and discussed the data supplied for the appeal.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion to change the depreciation from Good to Average. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 2 Clarkes Village Lane, Plat 12 Lot 86, Varoujan & Vartanoosh Karentz, the owners were not available to attend the meeting. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by Stuart Rice. All were in favor.

Appeal for 104 Racquet Road, Plat 9 Lot 329, Smyth Family Roundhouse, c/o Attorney Alexander Walsh, No one attended the meeting. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: William Dawson made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 125 Conanicus Avenue, Plat 8 Lot 515, Richard & Carroll Pruell, Richard Pruell distributed a hand out. He thinks his assessment is outrageous. The land value went up \$754,000. He further explained what was written in the hand out. He also explained that there is a river that flows under the house which makes the sump pump work. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: Stuart Rice made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by David Dolce. All were in favor.

Appeal for 68 East Road, Plat 7 Lot 86, Joseph A Paolino Jr, Trustee, c/o Attorney Mark A Pogue, Attorney Mark Pogue is representing the owner. He explained some of the information submitted with the appeal and recommended the board review unbuildable lot sales to value this property. Beth Smith asked why a water tank could not be installed in the garage. Attorney Pogue stated the RIDOH, recommends against it. Attorney Pogue

stated the property is ok for day use. The owner moved out over a year ago. Beth Smith stated the lot is not unbuildable as stated by Attorney Pogue. Attorney Pogue stated it's a little better than unbuildable. Discussion that the property could be used a cabana. The property could get a dock. Dave Dolce asked how old is the septic system, is that why there is hesitation to drill another well. Attorney Pogue did not know. Dave Dolce stated other homes have water in the area, there must be some solution. Attorney Pogue stated this is an unusual problem. Discussions of a reverse osmosis system being installed in the garage. The report stated the reverse osmosis system would not fit in the house but nothing specific to the garage in the report. The board reviewed the information submitted with the appeal.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to deny the appeal. Seconded by Stuart Rice. All were in favor.

IV. **Schedule next meeting(s):**

The next available meeting dates are January 30, 2022 and February 6, 2022 at 2:00 pm.

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to accept the meeting date. Stuart Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor.

V. **Adjournment**

Motion: David Dolce made a motion to adjourn. Sturt Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at **3:41 PM**


_____, Secretary- Stuart Rice
Tax Assessment Board of Review

Date approved by Tax Board

1/30/23

Tax Assessment Board of Review Attendance Log 2022 /2023 for the 2022 bill. Starts November 2022. Ended January 30, 2023

Present: P

Absent: A

	Nov, 21	Dec. 1	Dec 12	January 30									
William Dawson	P	P	P	A									
Stuart Rice	P	P	P	P									
Dave Dolce	P	P	P	P									
Beth Smith	P	P	P	P									
Christine Brochu	P	P	P	P									

2023 Legislative Priorities

KENT

Coventry
East Greenwich
Warwick
West Greenwich
West Warwick

BRISTOL

Barrington
Bristol
Warren

NEWPORT

Jamestown
Little Compton
Middletown
Newport
Portsmouth
Tiverton

PROVIDENCE

Burrillville
Central Falls
Cranston
Cumberland
East Providence
Foster
Glocester
Johnston
Lincoln
North Providence
North Smithfield
Pawtucket
Providence
Scituate
Smithfield
Woonsocket

WASHINGTON

Block Island
Charlestown
Exeter
Hopkinton
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Kingstown
Richmond
South Kingstown
Westerly



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Pawtucket
Providence
Scituate
Smithfield
Woonsocket

WASHINGTON

Block Island
Charlestown
Exeter
Hopkinton
Narragansett
New Shoreham
North Kingstown
Richmond
South Kingstown
Westerly

NEWPORT

Jamestown
Little Compton
Middletown
Newport
Portsmouth
Tiverton

BRISTOL

Barrington
Bristol
Warren

Distinctive Communities, Powerful Alliance

2023

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

With all 39 cities and towns as members, the Rhode Island League of Cities & Towns is uniquely positioned to understand municipal needs and convey them to decision-makers. We continue to support the needs of municipalities and serve as a trusted voice for municipalities across the state by serving as a convener and an advocate to the Governor and General Assembly.

As an organization, we believe in:

- **Supporting** robust local government funding through municipal aid programs, education aid and grants
- **Opposing** any constraints on the ability to raise local revenue
- **Opposing** unfunded state mandates, particularly related to workforce management and personnel costs
- **Opposing** state preemption and one-size-fits-all approaches for 39 distinct communities, especially regarding land use, business licensing and other important policy areas
- **Maintaining** local control and decision-making that reflects community needs, including land use, business operations, licensing, etc.
- **Supporting** greater flexibility for local government to innovate, improve efficiency and save tax dollars



Housing & Land Use

Municipal leaders stand together in welcoming the development of responsible housing in our communities and are interested in working with stakeholders across the state to improve housing opportunities for Rhode Islanders. The League supported the establishment of both the Land-Use and Low- and Moderate-Income study commissions to identify ways to help cities and towns meet their obligations under the Low- and Moderate-Income Housing Act to ensure that at least 10% of their housing stock qualifies as affordable.

To accomplish this, municipalities need:

- A clear menu of innovative solutions and funding opportunities from the state that can be implemented during the winter season.
- Increased funding for infrastructure improvements and remediation, outside of federal aid opportunities.
- To preserve and promote quality of life, based on the different communities' needs and respect the local voice in land use decisions.
- Funding the implementation of programs and systems to support process improvements.
- Increased technical support and adequate funding to departments and agencies that facilitate housing growth, including the Division of Statewide Planning and Department of Housing.
- Workforce development to expand the pool of municipal planners and building and zoning officials.
- Adequate state and education aid to support the needs of residents
- A commitment to expand reliable transportation opportunities for residents, extending the urban service boundary.

Local leaders agree zoning and land use should remain a local decision. The state must work with cities and towns to encourage housing construction and rehabilitation, and remove barriers to housing, such as infrastructure improvements.



Funding for Transportation, Infrastructure and Resiliency

While municipalities have seen an influx of federal aid to support our economic recovery from COVID-19, those funds are intended to support our communities through the new challenges they are facing. As the state looks to increase housing stock, cities and towns will need infrastructure to respond to population growth.

- **Allocate funds to the Municipal Infrastructure Grant program** – In FY 2022 and FY 2023, approximately \$3.5 million was allocated to the Municipal Infrastructure Grant program, for the first time since the program was established in 2017. The program is intended to fund utility and infrastructure improvements in identified growth centers to support additional housing construction. In the first round of funding proposals, 17 municipalities requested almost \$8.5 million dollars from this program across 24 project proposals. Further, many communities are interested in securing Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) funds but are lacking matching funds to be seen as competitive nationally. **We urge the state to support municipal infrastructure and resilience projects by allocating \$30.0 million to the Municipal Infrastructure Grant program for two years as it is critical to expanding the housing stock across the state.**
- **Establish a Municipal Road & Bridge Fund** – In years past, the League has supported legislation that would allocate additional funding to infrastructure projects from State general funds. Massachusetts, along with Connecticut and Pennsylvania, established a Chapter 90 program (a reference to the section of state law) that supports local roadbuilding based on a formula that considers each community's road mileage and population among other factors.



Workforce Management

Personnel costs are the largest component of local budgets – representing 70% of expenditures across cities, towns and schools. With municipal budgets supported primarily by property taxes, **the League believes that municipal officials need greater flexibility in managing the municipal workforce to reflect the needs of their community, encourage innovation, improve efficiency and control property tax growth.**

- **Binding Arbitration Reform & Lifetime Contracts** – Binding arbitration for public safety employees and the recently enacted lifetime contract law have tied the hands of local officials in balancing their budgets and need to be reformed. The League **supports binding arbitration reforms** to limit the scope of decisions, require mediation prior to arbitration and provide safeguards so that an arbitration decision cannot endanger a community’s finances. The League continues to **oppose the lifetime contract law** enacted in 2019 but would support temporary contract extensions when agreed to by all parties.
- **Fairness for Municipal Disability Pensions** – Under current law, the disability pension benefit for municipal employees and public safety personnel is 66 2/3% of salary, tax-free, even if the injured individual is able to do other work. In comparison, disability pensions for state employees and teachers are only 50% if the person is able to do other work. This **expensive double standard is unfair to local property taxpayers who must pay higher benefits for municipal employees.**
- **Extend Injured-on-Duty Reforms to Municipalities** – The League supported state reforms in 2019 to injured-on-duty (IOD) benefits but believes they should apply to municipal employees – not just state employees. Rhode Island’s IOD law grants an injured or sick municipal police officer or firefighter 100% of pay and benefits while he/she is incapacitated and throughout the disability pension application process, including appeals. **Many cities and towns pay full IOD salaries and benefits to employees for many years, while also paying overtime to cover vacant positions.** We support including municipal employees in reforms to limit the amount of time that people can receive IOD benefits and to provide greater accountability of the program.
- **Increase Accountability for Law Enforcement** – The League has made several recommendations to improve the Law Enforcement Officers’ Bill of Rights (LEOBOR). We support extending the period for officer suspensions; expanding the LEOBOR hearing board and making it a standing committee to ensure the uniform application of standards and discipline across cases; and allowing municipal and police officials to discuss certain investigations publicly.



Property Taxes

Property taxes represent two-thirds of local revenues. To fund essential government services, cities and towns need to preserve their ability to assess and collect property taxes as efficiently as possible.

- **State-Mandated Tax Exemptions** – Over the years, state lawmakers have enacted or proposed various property tax exemptions, which may be well-intentioned, but which also erode the local tax base. The League believes that any property tax exemptions should be fully reimbursed by the state for the annual value of taxes lost. Alternatively, such enactments should be enabling rather than mandatory so that the city or town can choose whether to offer the exemption benefit.
- **Renewable Energy Land Taxation** – In the 2022 legislative session, the General Assembly modified the ability of cities and towns to be able to tax land for renewable energy developments. Our rural communities experience the most significant impact and face reductions in revenue. Our members would like to ensure that while Rhode Island aggressively addresses our energy and climate resiliency goals, cities and towns are also able to sustain their operations and raise revenue.



Fiscal Restraint and Financial Successes

With Rhode Island having the eighth highest property tax burden in the nation, municipal officials are working hard to stretch local tax dollars and avoid large tax increases, especially when so many Rhode Islanders are struggling.

Cities and towns have led the way in budget restraint, supported by sound fiscal management and improved state funding for education. Since FY 2015 cities and towns have averaged approximately 2.06% property tax growth, well under the 4.0% mandated tax cap. Sustained state aid to municipalities is the most important ingredient in allowing municipal leaders to continue careful stewardship of their budgets.

- **Maintain funding for Distressed Communities** – This program assists communities that have high property tax burdens relative to the wealth of their taxpayers, including Central Falls, Cranston, North Providence, Pawtucket, Providence, West Warwick and Woonsocket.
- **Fully fund the Payment In-Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program** – With more than a dozen communities hosting tax-free entities like state facilities and non-profit hospitals and colleges, PILOT bridges the gap between lost tax revenues and local spending on necessary services, like police and fire, that are provided to those institutions. In FY 2023, the amended budget met the 27.0% statutory funding level for the first time in several years. As the state is currently projecting a surplus, we strongly encourage the PILOT program to be funded at the full 27.0% and that the statutory target is re-evaluated to reflect current conditions as it was established decades ago.
- **Oppose Agency “Scoops”** – The League consistently opposes taking funds from quasi-governmental organizations as a one-time resource to close the state’s deficit. Many of these programs – such as the RI Resource Recovery Corporation, RI Infrastructure Bank and RI Health and Education Building Corporation – are funded by municipal fees, so agency scoops would effectively use city and town funds to close the state deficit.

Education Aid

Education spending represents the single largest budget item in most communities. With distance learning costs from COVID-19, local budget challenges and the prospect of Federal assistance for schools, the League calls for additional support and flexibility in state education spending.

With the education funding formula phase-in complete, we support the state's continued commitment to schools. As the state considers the next phase of the formula, we ask the following:

- **Fully fund Education Aid and Address Funding Formula concerns** – In 2010, state government committed to an equitable funding formula for public education. Municipalities and the State have since stepped up to invest even more in our students to benefit the future of Rhode Island and our workforce. FY 2021 represented the tenth and final year of the phase in of education funding formula, and **we ask that the state maintain a strong commitment to education aid in FY 2023 – both in the funding formula and important categorical programs such as high-cost special education and multilingual learners.** While municipal leaders have asked for temporary relief in prior years, our members have seen significant, permanent changes to their enrollment and would like to see a long-term solution to address their concerns.
- **Increase the state share of teacher pension contributions above the current 40% level** – Rhode Island is one of only two states in New England where the state does not contribute 100% of the required pension contributions for teachers. Increasing the state share would provide greater parity with New England and provide local budget relief.



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Roberta Fagan

From: Mary Lou Sanborn [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 12:46 PM
To: Roberta Fagan
Subject: Fwd: Jamestown Energy Plan

Hi Roberta.....my apologies that I forgot to include you on the distribution of my letter to the TC members.
Mary Lou

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mary Lou Sanborn [REDACTED]
Date: January 23, 2023 at 10:37:56 AM EST
To: Nancy Beye <JTownelc@aol.com>, Mary Meagher <meagherjamestowntc@gmail.com>, Mike White <mgblanco@cox.net>, Randy White <major510@cox.net>, Erik Brine <ebrine@gmail.com>
Cc: Jamie Hainsworth <jhainsworth@jamestownri.net>, Linda Jamison [REDACTED] Ann Gagnon [REDACTED]
Subject: Jamestown Energy Plan

Good morning.....I have read with concerned interest the newly produced "Jamestown Energy Plan". As with most plans of this sort, there is no mention of costs involved. The financial burden would be on taxpayers, many in Jamestown who cannot afford these changes, also not to mention the financial burden to Jamestown business owners, many of who are already struggling. Many homes and/pr commercial buildings are of the age where these types of change would be cost prohibitive. This plan should involve information (study impacts) relative to costs involved, residential and commercial

I sincerely hope you do not approve this proposed plan as it is being currently presented.

Thank you

Mary Lou Sanborn

Sent from my iPad

RESOLUTIONS
Instr: 2023-2**TOWN OF RICHMOND, RHODE ISLAND
RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL****RESOLUTION # 2023 -2****RESOLUTION URGING THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
TO MAKE JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY AN OFFICIAL STATE HOLIDAY**

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued the executive order known as the Emancipation Proclamation, freeing the enslaved people in the ten secessionist Confederate states; and

WHEREAS, although the proclamation freed more than 3.5 million enslaved people, it could not be enforced in the areas still under Confederate control; and

WHEREAS, despite General Robert E. Lee's surrender at Appomattox Court House on April 9, 1865, the western Confederate Army did not surrender until June 2, and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 1865, Major General Gordon Granger arrived at Galveston, Texas to take command of the federal troops there and enforce the emancipation of those people still enslaved; and

WHEREAS, because many African Americans, including those in slaveholding border states, remained enslaved after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued, in 1865 the United States Congress enacted, and the states ratified, the Thirteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, abolishing involuntary servitude, and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 1866, freedmen in Texas commemorated the first anniversary of Major General Granger's arrival as "Jubilee Day," and

WHEREAS, many people throughout the United States now celebrate June 19th as Juneteenth, a day to commemorate the liberation of enslaved African Americans, and

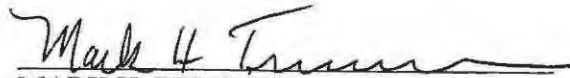
WHEREAS, in 2021, the United States Congress enacted legislation marking June 19th as Juneteenth National Independence Day, a national holiday; and

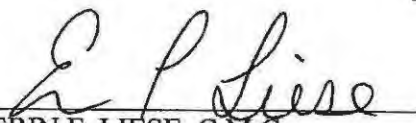
WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island has not officially commemorated Juneteenth since 2012, when the Rhode Island Senate approved a resolution urging the people of Rhode Island "to recognize the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day; to observe Juneteenth Independence Day with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs; and support the continued celebration of Juneteenth Independence Day," and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of brotherhood, it is appropriate for Rhode Island to adopt Juneteenth Independence Day as an official State holiday,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Town Council of the Town of Richmond urge the General Assembly to enact legislation making Juneteenth Independence Day an official State holiday, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be provided to the town clerk of each city and town in Rhode Island, to Governor Daniel McKee, to Speaker of the House K. Joseph Shekarchi, to Senate President Dominick J. Ruggerio, and to Sen. Elaine J. Morgan and Rep. Megan L. Cotter.


MARK H. TRIMMER,
Richmond Town Council President

ATTEST: 
ERIN F. LIESE, C.M.C.
Richmond Town Clerk



TOWN OF TIVERTON
RESOLUTION SEEKING GENERAL ASSEMBLY AUTHORITY TO LICENSE
SHORT-TERM RENTAL (STR) BY MUNICIPALITIES
RESOLUTION 2023-0001

Whereas, Rhode Island's cities and towns are grappling with the regulation of short-term rentals;

Whereas, the nature of the Short-term rental business is such that the clients are transient and the rentals can be disruptive to the quality of life of local residents;

Whereas, the only regulatory mechanism available to cities and towns is through the local zoning code as cities and towns are not authorized to license businesses or permit other activities without specific General Assembly authority; and

Whereas, local zoning codes do not provide adequate means to regulate short-term rentals to protect the interests of local residents and the community;

Whereas; some cities and towns have attempted to regulate short-term rentals through zoning and or a local licensing requirement; and

Whereas; short-term rentals are gaining in popularity in the Town of Tiverton and throughout the State of Rhode Island;

Whereas, the Town Council of the Town of Tiverton believes that further action by the General Assembly is necessary to allow for the regulation and licensing of short-term rentals in addition to municipal zoning ordinances.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE TIVERTON TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY REQUESTS THAT:

1. Tiverton's delegation to the Rhode Island General Assembly introduces and seeks immediate passage of the attached proposed legislation (Exhibit A) in the 2023 session of the General Assembly, and
2. The Town Clerk is requested to immediately submit a copy of this resolution to Tiverton's state representative and senators, and
3. Tiverton's delegation is respectfully requested to notify the town council president, town administrator, and town clerk of the dates of any hearing on the proposed legislation.

Introduced by: Councilor Michael Burk

ATTESTED: Read and passed by a vote of the Town Council at the Tiverton Town Council meeting of January 23, 2023.

/s/Joan B. Chabot

Joan B. Chabot, Clerk of the Council

The city or town council shall not vote on the issuance of any license for an STR until the conclusion of a public hearing that has been advertised at least three (3) consecutive weeks in newspaper of general circulation and on the municipality's website. The advertisement shall contain the name of the applicant, the address of the proposed STR, including the plat and lot number, the maximum occupancy of the proposed STR, and the current zone of the property.