

# **TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

## **February 28, 2023**

### **I. ROLL CALL**

A special meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on February 28, 2023. Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary Meagher, Michael G. White, and Randy White. Erik Brine was absent.

Also, in attendance: Interim Town Administrator Edward A. Mello, Solicitor Peter Ruggiero, 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 special meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 1:05 p.m. in the Jamestown Town Hall Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 93 Narragansett Avenue and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

### **III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 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.

At approximately 2:01 p.m. the following representatives from Conanicut Marine Services, Inc. (CMS) joined the Executive Session: Atty. Michael Resnick, Atty. Christian Infantolino, CMS President Bill Munger, and CMS CFO Donna Wood.

At approximately 2:03 p.m. Atty. Resnick asked to confer with his clients and left the Chambers. At 2:04 p.m. CMS representatives reentered the Chambers.

President Beye requested a recess and CMS representatives left the Chambers at 2:07 p.m.

At approximately 2:11 p.m. CMS representatives reentered the Chambers.

At 2:21 p.m. 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 M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

It was announced that one vote was taken.

President Beye read the following statement. "Despite the efforts of the Town Council and Town Staff, we have been unable to reach an agreement with the Jamestown Ferry to operate from the public touch-and-go space located at East Ferry while insuring the public's access. As such, the Town Council directs the Solicitor and Town Administrator to notify the Jamestown Ferry that they are prohibited from using all public touch-and-go docks for their operation without a written

agreement and that all equipment and signage should be removed from the Town owned facility effective immediately.

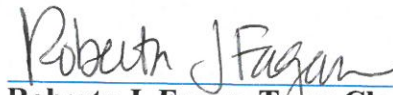
A motion was made by Vice President Meagher to direct the Solicitor and Town Administrator to notify the Jamestown Ferry that they are prohibited from using all public touch-and-go docks for their operation without a written agreement and that all equipment and signage should be removed from the Town owned facility effective immediately with a second by Councilor M. White. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

Atty. Resnick made the request that all comments received in regard to the CMS/ Jamestown Ferry matter be made available to the public.

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to adjourn at 2:24 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**