TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 6, 2024 4:45 P.M.

I. TOWN COUNCIL INTERVIEW SCHEDULE: The Jamestown Town Council met to conduct an interview with the following applicant:

TIME NAME		COMMITTEE	
4:45 Bernard Maceroni		Tick Task Force	

II. ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on May 6, 2024. Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary Meagher, Michael G. White, and Randy White. Erik Brine arrived at 7:14 p.m.

Also, in attendance: Town Administrator Edward A. Mello, Solicitor Peter Ruggiero, Finance Director Christina Collins, Chief Jamie Campbell, Public Works Director Michael Gray, Water & Sewer Clerk Denise Jennings, Stenographer Brenda Hanna, and Town Clerk Roberta Fagan.

III. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 5:00 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 with a second by Councilor M. White to convene as the Town Council Sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

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

- A) Open Forum Water & Sewer Matters
 - 1) Scheduled request to address None.
 - 2) Non-scheduled request to address.

B) Unfinished Business:

- Water District Build-out Analysis prepared by Pare Corporation, as adopted at the April 10, 2024, Town Council Sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Special Meeting.
- 2) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote on the application of Jeffrey and Deborah Saletin (Plat 7 Lot 135, 14 Seaview Avenue) for utility service connection (water) and as amended on March 29, 2024, to an application for a water line extension:
 - a) Application for utility service connection (water) received January 2, 2024.
 - b) Memorandum dated February 13, 2024 and revised on April 11, 2024, from Michael Gray, Public Works Director to the Board of

- Water and Sewer Commissioners.
- c) Memorandum dated February 16, 2024, from Robert F. Ferrari, PE to the Town of Jamestown.
- d) Application for water line extension received March 29, 2024.
- 3) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: on the Letter dated 01/02/24 from Attorney Joelle C. Rocha and the application of Glenn and Marjorie Andreoni (Plat 7 Lot 34, 10 Seaview Avenue) for water line extension:
 - a) Letter dated January 2, 2024, from Attorney Joelle C. Rocha and the application for water line extension received on January 2, 2024.
 - b) Memorandum dated February 13, 2024 and revised on April 11, 2024, from Michael Gray, Public Works Director to the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.
 - c) Letter dated February 19, 2024, from Attorney Joelle C. Rocha and an exhibit showing existing OWTS & Well.
- 4) Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote: On the application of Paul Frechette (Plat 7 Lot 101, 19 Seaview Avenue) for utility service connection (water) and as amended on March 29, 2024, to an application for a water line extension:
 - a) Application for utility service connection (water) received January 2, 2024.
 - b) Memorandum dated February 13, 2024 and revised on April 11, 2024, from Michael Gray, Public Works Director to the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.
 - c) Addendum (3 pages) submitted February 20, 2024 re: well.
 - d) Addendum with note (5 pages) submitted March 21, 2024, re: well.
 - e) Application for water line extension received April 1, 2024.
- 5) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: on the application of Stephen Zimniski and Suzanne Gagnon (Plat 7 Lot 94, 7 Seaview Avenue) for water line extension:
 - a) Application for water line extension received January 2, 2024.
 - b) Memorandum dated February 13, 2024 and revised on April 11, 2024, from Michael Gray, Public Works Director to the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.
 - c) Wellworks LLC report and estimate dated October 1, 2018
 - d) Letter dated May 1, 2024, from applicants Stephen Zimniski and Suzanne Gagnon to Public Works Director Michael Gray requesting a continuance of the original application if no decision can be rendered on May 6 by the Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to continue the water extension applications until the next Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners meeting on May 20, 2024. Vote: Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

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 M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

Councilor Brine joined the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

V. 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: None.
- B) Non-scheduled request to address:

Christian Infantolino, Reservoir Circle, requested the Town Council add the Reservoir Circle parking issue to the May 20, 2024 agenda for consideration.

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

A) Resolutions and Proclamations: No items at this time.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to convene as the Town Council sitting as the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Board. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

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) Town Council Sitting as the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Board

Notice is hereby given by the Town Council of Jamestown, being the Licensing Board in said Town:

1) Pursuant to RIGL §3-7-14, the following license application has been received under said Act for a one-day license on May 16, 2024:

CLASS F (NON-PROFIT)

Out of the Box Studio & Gallery 11 Clinton Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835

 Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote for Approval of the oneday CLASS F (NON-PROFIT) LIQUOR LICENSE

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor R. White to approve the Out of the Box Studio & Gallery One-Day Class F Liquor License scheduled for May 16, 2024, taking place at 11 Clinton Avenue. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

2) Pursuant to RIGL §3-7-14, the following license application has been received under said Act for a one-day license on May 11th and 18th, 2024:

CLASS F (NON-PROFIT)

Jamestown Arts Center 18 Valley Street Jamestown, RI 02835

a) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote for Approval of the one-day CLASS F (NON-PROFIT) LIQUOR LICENSE

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Jamestown Arts Center One-Day Class F Liquor License(s) scheduled for May 11th and May 18th taking place at 18 Valley Street. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to adjourn from sitting as the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Board. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

B) Licenses and Permits

One-Day Event/Entertainment License: All One-Day Event/Entertainment license application approvals are subject to any COVID-19 protocols in effect at the time of the event; Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote for the following:

1) Applicant:

Pax Christi RI/William Smith III

Event:

Jamestown Peace & Remembrance Day 2024

Date:

August 6, 2024

Location:

East Ferry Memorial Square

a) Approval of request to waive insurance requirement as historically granted.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor R. White to approve the Jamestown Peace & Remembrance Day 2024, taking place on August 6, 2024 at East Ferry Memorial Square; and approval of the request to waive insurance requirements as historically granted. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

VIII. 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: Edward A. Mello
 - 1) Appointment of Harbor Master Bart Totten. (Consent Agenda).

Seeking approval for the appointment of Bart Totten as the Harbor Master. Bart is a resident of Jamestown, an experienced attorney, and holds a degree in engineering. He brings tremendous experience in boating and interpersonal skills to this position. He was recommended by Director Bois and JHC member Mark Campbell after a series of interviews.

2) Update on parking on Stern Street/Beach Avenue. Chief Campbell to provide an update.

3) Parking on Reservoir Circle. Chief Campbell to provide an update.

4) Harbor Rules/Rates for Ferry Dock (New Business).

The JHC has recommended a revision to the Harbor Management Rule Book specific to the use of the touch-and-go docks at East Ferry along with the use of the Ferry Dock at East Ferry. The proposed rules would prohibit the commercial use of the outer touch-and-go docks. The use of the concrete ferry dock would be allowed for RIPUC ferry service with a permit at no cost and other charter vessels based upon a fee schedule as proposed. Summary memo attached.

5) CMS Agreement (New Business).

As the Town Council directed, Town Staff have met both in person and via email throughout the past months in an attempt to develop an agreement to allow for CMS vessels to dock at East Ferry and for their charter vessels to operate from that location. To date, a complete agreement has not been reached. Summary memo attached.

6) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fund Re-allocation request (New Business).

Seeking approval to reallocate \$1,063,422.12 in ARPA funds to other projects. Memo attached.

- The Town Tree Warden Steven Saracino has provided a report of his current assessment of the tree. He reports a worsening condition and maintains his recommendation to remove the tree.
- 8) ROW Adoption Program (Unfinished Business).

 The Conservation Committee has made a final review of the proposed ROW adoption policy and recommends consideration by the Town Council. The Council was asked to consider adopting this policy as a pilot program allowing only current CRMC-designated ROW to be considered at this time.
- 9) RISE Group Street Light Contract extension (Consent Agenda). Seeking authorization to execute the one-year extension of the street light maintenance agreement with RISE Group Inc. in the amount of \$3,599.16.
- Foth Engineering has completed its analysis of the current conditions of the Ft. Getty Pier. Based on the findings, Town staff are recommending a repair of the pier as indicated in the proposed diagram. The work will include the repair and/or replacement of sleepers, stringers, and decking along with the removal of broken piles and ladders. Foth recommended beginning the immediate process to plan for a replacement of the pier.

Town Staff received a cost proposal from a contractor in excess of \$200,000. The Department of Public Works will assess the project to determine if in-house staff will be able to complete portions of the work to be more cost-effective.

Town Administrator Mello and Town Staff will continue to pursue any insurance reimbursement and FEMA funding should that become available. (consent agenda) President Beye noted there was no item on the Consent Agenda.

11) 6 West Street Senior Center conceptual plan agreement with Union Studios (Consent Agenda).

Seeking approval to execute an agreement with Union Studios to further develop the conceptual plans for the Senior Center project to 30% design. The process will include further public input. This next step will allow the Town to refine the budget level estimates to a more definitive cost. The cost is not to exceed \$65,000.

12) North Road RIDOT Project Update

The Town has been informed by RIDOT that they will begin the resurfacing project on North Road in the area of the Creek. The project will only cover a small section of the roadway. Approximately 2,000 L.F.

13) Bike Path North Road Update

DPW has completed the asphalt portion and backfill along the edges. They continue to work toward signage and striping. North Road restriping will be included in that work.

Chief Jamie Campbell reported to the Town Council on the parking issues on Stern Street/Beach Avenue and Reservoir Circle.

Chief Campbell and Mr. Lafazia have spoken and the issue has been resolved. Mr. Lafazia will notify the Chief if any issues occur in the future.

Chief Campbell reported that he and his staff are monitoring the parking situation on East Shore Road and Reservoir Circle related to 366 East Shore Road, owned by Mr. Nelson. Reservoir Circle residents have observed construction vehicles, heavy-weight vehicles, and trailers parking on Reservoir Circle causing hazards. Chief Campbell has been in contact with the property manager of 366 East Shore Road to find a resolution to the issue. It was agreed that landscaping vehicles, trailers, and/or trucks would be parked either on the Nelson property or on an adjacent vacant property; and not parked on the roadway.

Vice President Meagher reiterated that the property manager had agreed to no trucks less than 7000 gvw, trailers or landscaping vehicles will be parked on the roadway. She asked the Chief to contact the property manager again to remind him of the agreement.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A) Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote: At the recommendation of the Jamestown Tree Committee and Tree Warden Steve Saracino approval to proceed with the removal of the tree in the Steamboat Street Right of Way (ROW).

Discussion ensued.

Vice President Meagher noted the new property owners Julie and Dean Libutti, of 173 Seaside Drive were unable to attend the meeting. She requested to continue the agenda item to the next meeting, on May 20, 2024.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to continue the agenda item to the next meeting on May 20, 2024. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

B) Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote: At the recommendation of the Conservation Commission approval of the Jamestown ROW Adoption Pilot Program which would include only CRMC-designated ROWs for consideration.

Discussion ensued.

Conservation Commission member Bob Laman, 224 Conanicus Avenue, gave a summary of the Conservation Commission recommendation for the approval of the Jamestown ROW Adoption Pilot Program which would include only CRMC-designated ROWs for consideration.

Town Administrator Mello thanked Bob and the Conservation Commission for their work on the pilot program.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor R. White to accept the recommendation of the Conservation Commission to approve the Jamestown ROW Adoption Pilot Program which would include only CRMC-designated ROWs for consideration. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

President Beye recused herself from agenda item New Business A) regarding the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association request, and left the dais.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the request of the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association (BLMA) to waive the \$75 Jamestown Golf Course Clubhouse Function Room fee for the BLMA Annual Meeting taking place on September 19. 2024.
 - 1) Letter to Town Council from BLMA Board Member Leo N. Orsi, Jr. dated April 22, 2024.

A motion was made by Councilor M. White with a second by Councilor R. White to approve the request of the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association (BLMA) to waive the \$75 Jamestown Golf Course Clubhouse Function Room fee for the BLMA Annual Meeting taking place on September 19. 2024. Vote: Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

President Beye rejoined the meeting and returned to the dais.

- B) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the recommendation of the Jamestown Harbor Management Commission approval of the revised Harbor Management Rule Book.
 - 1) Proposed 2024 Harbor Management Rule Book and proposed amended Harbor Permit Fee schedule including new Ferry Dock fees.

Discussion ensued.

Executive Director Steven Bois, gave an overview of the revised Harbor Management Rule Book. The Harbor Division (HD) observed in 2023 increased usage of the outer touch-and-go by commercial charter boats. The revised rule book and amended Harbor Permit Fee schedule would include new fees for use of the Ferry Dock (inner touch-and-go concrete dock).

Vice President Meagher made clarifying statements and noted several inconsistencies in the revised Harbor Management Rule Book. She suggested modifications to the text.

Mr. Bois stated the Harbor Management Commission had approved the revised Harbor Management Rule Book, with the exception of the method of enforcement for violations, which were not outlined. These will be presented at the next Harbor Management Commission for approval.

Vice President Meagher expressed concern about granting Charter boats access to the inner touch and go; with the potential of interrupting the Conanicut Marine Services, Inc. D/B/A Jamestown Newport Ferry (CMS) schedule.

Town Administrator Mello commented the outer touch and go is not appropriate for charter vessel use, priority and use of the inner touch and go would be to CMS. The proposed plan allowing the use of the inner touch-and-go concrete dock will allow the HD to better manage charter boats landing safely and appropriately while ensuring no interruption to the CMS ferry schedule.

Paul Sprague, 11 Mast Street, stated it would be a bad idea to allow charter vessels to use the inner touch and go. The fairway can get very tight and safety concerns should be considered. The outer touch-and-go should be able to accommodate charter vessels; the only exception would be during adverse conditions.

No action was taken.

- C) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: Status update on the proposed 2024 Ferry Landing Use Agreement between the Town Jamestown and Conanicut Marine Services, Inc. D/B/A Jamestown Newport Ferry (CMS).
 - 1) Memorandum from Town Administrator Mello to the Town Council regarding the CMS Agreement Status.
 - 2) Correspondence from Atty. Christian Infantolino on behalf of CMS regarding the proposed Ferry Landing Area Agreement.

Discussion ensued.

Town Administrator Mello and Town staff have met with and exchanged emails with CMS over the months trying to reach an agreement on the 2024 Ferry Landing Use Agreement.

To date, a complete agreement has not been reached. A summary of the proposed 2024 agreement from the Town to CMS appears below. The agreement was similar to the 2023 agreement but allowed for more dock space at the wood pile pier.

- (1) Unlimited use of 60' of dockage at the wood pile pier (WPP)-with any vessel from the fleet-not limited to one vessel
 - A typical dockage agreement is for a designated vessel
- (2) Overnight dockage of 40' at the ferry dock-not limited to one vessel
 - A typical dockage agreement is for a designated vessel
 - This dock is not restricted by the commercial rate for the WPP as set by the JHC and TC annually as described in the current TPG lease
- (3) As many as nine (9) trips during festivals docking the Islander at the eastern end of the WPP:
 - 90-foot vessel with a passenger capacity of 300 people

- Although this may be a PUC scheduled trip-the vessel is beyond the size capacity for the ferry dock
 - The PUC has indicated that the Town has no obligation to provide for ferry dockage
 - The PUC has indicated that CMS/Jamestown Ferry has no obligation to increase passenger capacity at any time as it not a lifeline ferry service
- (4) The use of the space and declare it as the point of origin for charter services.
 - This also allows for alcohol service at the dock-30minutes prior to departure
 - This is not currently available to other charter vessels
- (5) Allows for an 8 by 8 tent
 - This is not offered to other vessels
- (6) Allows for a sandwich board sign on Town property
 - This is not offered to other vessels/businesses
- (7) Allows for the arch sign to remain which advertises both the Jamestown Ferry (RIPUC service) and the Coastal Queen (charter business)
 - This is not offered to other vessels/businesses

The annual fee offered by the Town:

- \$8500/year
- 3-year term
- 10% escalator

The proposed agreement was rejected by CMS, more specifically:

CMS does not agree with:

- Proposed annual fee
- Proposed term of 3 year
- Proposed escalator
- Restriction on vessels traveling outside of Narragansett Bay

CMS requested:

- A cap on any JHC rate changes related to permit for use of the ferry dock by charter vessels
- Language to address the location of the dumpster which was put in place on Town property without agreement by CMS as the former tenant

CMS has suggested that the ferry and charter vessels that are proposed to be docked at the WPP are the equivalent of other commercial vessels such as the small fishing charter boats which are limited to six passengers. And as such, CMS should be charged at the town-designed commercial dockage rate of \$44/ foot. The agreement and the terms as offered by the Town are beyond a simple dock permit.

For reference, the 2023 agreement fee was \$12,015.

Total estimated cost as proposed by the Town including permit fees for charter vessels: \$11,000.

Councilor R. White made a clarifying statement, CMS is objecting to the price going down.

Atty. Christian Infantolino, representing CMS, addressed the Town Council. CMS does not agree on specific areas of the proposed agreement on the following sections:

Section 2: Exclusive use of the WPP.

Section 7: Multiyear contract

Section 9: The festival runs

Section 17: Automatic termination provision; CMS would like the ability to cure an issue rather the automatic termination.

Atty. Infantolino asserted Section 5 has been mischaracterized. Not knowing the monetary value of the commercial permit creates a challenge related to negotiating the Multiyear contract.

Additionally, in Section 4, CMS proposed the rate to be consistent with the approved commercial rate, \$44 per foot. CMS would not be using the whole length of the WPP, just 60 feet; 40 feet on the concrete dock; plus, two commercial permits at a value of \$1000 each. The escalator clause was not included in the CMS calculation. CMS proposed an annual fee of approximately \$6500.

The Town Council, Town Staff and CMS continued to disagree on the terms of the agreement

Town Administrator Mello explained the proposed agreement allows the use of 60 feet of the WPP without restriction. The 2023 agreement limited the use to two nights.

Councilor Brine asked if the annual agreement fees were to be lower, would that allow for reduced ticket prices for residents and families?

CMS Inc. will be offering a season pass, multi-ticket packs, family packages, an "after 4" ticket, a new arrangement with Rose Island; as well as other incentives with restaurants on both sides of the bay. All the operational costs determine what CMS needs to charge for tickets.

President Beye reminded all that the annual use agreement for the ferry landing on Town property was the agenda topic.

Solicitor Peter Ruggiero stated there was an impasse.

The Town Administrator Mello and CMS will meet to continue discussions.

No action was taken and the agenda item will be continued to the May 20th meeting.

Donna Wood, CMS, Inc. COO stated the Coastal Queen has two upcoming scheduled events. Will the town allow the CMS vessels to use the ferry landing/WPP without an agreement in place?

Town staff will review events on a case-by-case basis; the upcoming events will be allowed to use the Town owned ferry landing and WPP.

- D) Review, Discussion, and/or Action and/or Vote: At the recommendation of Town Administrator Mello approval of the request to re-allocate the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds balance in the amount of \$1,063,344.12:
 - 1) Memorandum from Town Administrator Mello to the Town Council

requesting re-allocation of remaining ARPA funds:

- a) Senior Center Project: Architectural fees to Union Studio for work performed and additional design work up to 30% complete: \$125,000
- b) Water Infrastructure: Water meter replacement program: \$858,344
- c) Radio Project Water Tower: Complete the relocation of the SCADA equipment, Install a stand-alone public safety backup radio system, and install a standby generator for emergency equipment: \$80,000

Total ARPA Funds Re-allocation Request: \$1,063,344

The Town was awarded ARPA funds in the amount of \$1,643,390. The Town Council previously authorized three projects:

- (1) purchase of a new rescue ambulance
- (2) renovation and purchase of public safety dispatch center equipment and
- (3) fund a portion of the water main replacement project on Narragansett Avenue between North Road and West Ferry.

The first two projects have been completed. The water line project has moved through the majority of design work. The staff has become increasingly concerned about the probability of continuing the water main project due to expected significant delays involving the historical review process.

Based on those growing concerns, Town Administrator Mello has recommended approval of the ARPA funds balance of \$1,063,344.12 to be reallocated:

Senior Center Project:		\$125,000
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Architectural fees to Union Studio as spent to date: \$60,000 Continue to the 30% design work \$65,000

Water Infrastructure \$858,344

Water meter replacement program

Radio Project Water Tower: \$ 80,000

Complete the relocation of the SCADA equipment Install stand-alone public safety back up radio system Install standby generator for emergency equipment

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the request to reallocate the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds balance in the amount of \$1,063,344.12 as indicated. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

XI. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES, AND EXPIRING TERMS

A) No items at this time.

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A) Adoption of Town Council Meeting Minutes
 - 1) March 11, 2024 (Special meeting)
 - 2) March 12, 2024 (Special meeting)
 - 3) March 18, 2024 (Regular meeting)
 - 4) March 20, 2024 (Special meeting)
 - 5) March 27, 2024 (Special meeting)
 - 6) April 1, 2024 (Regular meeting)
 - 7) April 10, 2024 (Special meeting)
- B) Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees
 - 1) Conservation Commission (April 9, 2024)
 - 2) Harbor Management Commission (March 13, 2024)
 - 3) Planning Commission (March 20, 2024)
 - 4) Zoning Board of Review (March 26, 2024)
- C) Public Hearing/Abutter Notifications: Notice is hereby given that the Jamestown Planning Commission under Unified Development Review Per RIGL§45-23-50.1 will hold a public hearing on May 15, 2024, at the Jamestown Town Hall 93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, Rhode Island at 6:30 p.m. upon the following:
 - Application of The Town of Jamestown, whose property located at 245 Conanicus Avenue (Jamestown Golf Course), and further identified as Tax Assessor's Plat 8, Lot 283, for a Development Plan Review under Zoning Ordinance Section 82-1004.1 A and a Special Use Permit from Zoning Ordinance Section 82-300 B for Off-street parking and loading areas where required. The proposed plan would include allowing 20 vehicles to park diagonally on the south side of the lot, in a defined grass area contained by a split rail fence. The area would not be asphalt and would only be used when the Town rents out the second floor during times when it is expected that the parking lot would be in use by the golfers. The Town will staff the parking lot in order to manage the use of this area during these times. Parking in this area would otherwise be prohibited by signage. Said property is located in an OS-II zone and contains 74.36 acres.
- D) Approval of the recommendation by Town Administrator Mello to appoint Bart Totten as the Jamestown Harbor Master.
- E) Approval of the request to authorize Town Administrator Mello to execute a oneyear extension of the street light maintenance agreement between the Town of Jamestown and RISE Group Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,599.16.
- F) Approval of the request to authorize Town Administrator Mello to execute the proposed agreement between the Town of Jamestown and Union Studios to further develop the conceptual plans for the Senior Center Project, located at 6 West Street, up to approximately 30% complete refined architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing design and specifications as required, suitable for

development of a professional construction cost estimate; and detailed construction cost estimate, in an amount not to exceed \$65,000.

- G) Ratification of the Administratively approved Short-Term Rental application for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024:
 - 1) STR-115, Jeffrey Szala, 83 Sprindrift Street
 - 2) STR -104, Debra Bjorklund, 43 Helm Street
 - 3) STR -17, Edward DePhillips, 36 Cole Street
 - 4) STR -83, Charles Lonaeus, 3 Standish Road
 - 5) STR -136, Tor Holtan, 61 Bayview Drive
 - 6) STR -82, Christine Gentry, 65 Cedar Lane
 - 7) STR -127, Antonia Mendes, 73 Conanicus Avenue, Unit 5
 - 8) STR -111, Shawn Wagner, 107 Steamboat Street
 - 9) STR -133, Anne Gallagher, 10 Washington Street
 - 10) STR -143, Michaela Turnquist, 44 Southwest Avenue
 - 11) STR -62, Christopher Sorlien, 189 Beavertail Road
 - 12) STR -58, Stephen Bernath, 67 North Road
 - 13) STR -90, Valeriya Gavrylenko, 91 Hamilton Avenue
 - 14) STR -89, Lia Miller & Johnnie Spicer, 76 Reservoir Circle
 - 15) STR -124, Richard Boschen, 67 Dumpling Drive
- H) One-Day Event/Entertainment License Applications: All One-Day Event/ Entertainment license application approvals are subject to any COVID-19 protocols in effect at the time of the event:
 - 1) Applicant:

Out of the Box Studio & Gallery

Event:

Looms & Community Centers

Date:

May 16, 2024

Location:

11 Clinton Avenue

2) Applicant:

Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)

Event:

JAC Talk: In Conversation with Brad Gooch

Date:

May 4, 2024

Location:

18 Valley Street

3) Applicant:

Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)

Event:

Heifetz on Tour Concert

Date:

May 11, 2024

Location:

18 Valley Street

4) Applicant:

Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)

Event:

Second Time Around Family Workshop Day

Date:

May 18, 2024

Location:

18 Valley Street

5) Applicant:

Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)

Event:

Newport Live Presents: Siya Charles- Jazz South Africa

Date:

May 18, 2024

Location:

18 Valley Street

6) Applicant:

Jamestown Arts Center (JAC)

Event:

Never Fade Away (Film)

Date:

May 19, 2024

Location:

18 Valley Street

Vice President Meagher read aloud each Short-Term Rental host application name and address, asking those in attendance for any objections or comments to be known.

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to approve the Short-Term Rental applications for licensing as listed on the Consent Agenda. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye; and Councilor M. White, Aye.

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 M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye; and Councilor Brine, Aye.

Communications were acknowledged

XIII. 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 memo:

Town Council

From:

Governor Daniel J. McKee

Dated:

April 11, 2024

Re:

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Rhode Island

- B) Communications and Resolutions from other Rhode Island Cities and Towns:
 - 1) Town of Portsmouth, Resolution 2024-04-08-A, A Resolution Endorsing the 2023 Ride Island Bike Plan as a guiding document in the planning of transportation-related infrastructure for Portsmouth.
 - 2) Town of Westerly, Resolution 23/24-70, Urging the RI State Legislature to Support Allocating Funding For Permanent Safety Barriers On Rhode Island's Bridges Over Narragansett Bay.
 - 3) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution In Support of Senate Bill 2024- S 2016, An Act Relating to Towns and Cities – Low and Moderate Income Housing.
 - 4) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution In Support of Senate Bill 2024- S 2008, Relating to Education The Education Equity and Property Tax Relief Act.

- 5) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution Opposing House Bill 2024- H 7978, Legislation Relating to Subdivision of Land.
- 6) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution In Opposition to Legislation Regarding Housing and Land Use.
- 7) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution Opposing House Bill 2024- H 7382, Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities Zoning Ordinance.
- 8) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution Opposing House Bill 2024- H 7324, Legislation Relating to Towns and Cities Zoning Ordinance.
- 9) Town of Burrillville, Burrillville Town Council Resolution, Funding Formula.
- 10) Burrillville School Department, School Committee Resolution, Funding Formula.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with a second by Councilor M. White to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; and Councilor R. White, Aye.

Attest:

Roberta J. Fagan, Town Clerk