

JAMESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 6:30 PM



Jamestown Town Hall
Small Conference Room
93 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, RI

MEETING AGENDA

I. ROLL CALL and CALL TO ORDER

Warm Welcome to Richard Smith Jr. (“Rip”) to the Conservation Commission!! Welcome Aboard!!

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A) Review Regular Meetings Minutes from January 14, 2025, meeting. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.

III. OPEN FORUM

- A) Scheduled request to address: Mark Baker: discussion regarding the potential formation of a Gould Island study group to investigate environmental impacts related to RI DEM plans to expand recreational uses at Gould Island. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- B) Non-scheduled request to address

IV. CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS

- A) Letter from John Aquino to JCC (1/27/25) regarding Hull Street ROW and JTN Adopt A ROW program

V. CRMC, RIDEM AND TOWN OF JAMESTOWN ORDINANCE REVIEW

- A) February 2025 CRMC calendar:
http://www.crmc.ri.gov/calendars/2025_02.html

VI. OLD BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A) Rights of Way/Parks/Greenways/Trails/Open Space & Public Access: Land Protection and Stewardship: Update on the RI DEM Ocean State Climate Adaptation and Resilience Fund (OSCAR) grant that the JCC and Town Recreation Department jointly applied for in 2024 to enhance coastal resiliency at the Mackerel Cove beach, to mitigate the impacts of sea level rise and extreme weather events on coastal habitats and infrastructure (Anne Kuhn-

- Hines). Update on proposed revisions to the Adopt-A-ROW program (Bob Laman). Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- B) Update on the URI Coastal Engineering and URI Landscape Architecture Spring Semester Capstone Project in Coastal Resilience focused on Mackerel Cove Dunes- *Evaluating the feasibility of using reinforced dunes to mitigate flooding and erosion at Mackerel Cove.* (Anne Kuhn-Hines)
 - C) Update on investigation report from RIDEM on the impacts, degradation, eutrophication, and invasive vegetation occurring at Hammond Pond (Joyce Antonello). Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
 - D) Public education: Public Forum on Mackerel Cove Resiliency plans: Town Planning, JCC, Recreation Department, URI Coastal Engineering and URI Landscape Architecture Capstone Classes
 - E) Harbor Management Commission update (Bob Laman)
 - F) Tree Committee update (B. Lundy)
 - G) Gould Island Restoration Advisory Board- update (Bob Laman)
 - H) Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee-update (S. Shim Gorelick)
 - I) Jamestown Bike Path Committee (J. Antonello)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A) Transition of Conservation Commission Chair duties. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- B) Next scheduled meeting, March 11, 2025.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to RIGL § 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting shall be posted on the Secretary of State's website, Town Hall, and Jamestown Police Station; notice also may be posted at the Jamestown Philomenian Library and on the Internet at www.jamestownri.gov.

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website February 7, 2025