

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

April 6, 2009

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was called to order at the Jamestown Town Hall, 93 Narragansett Avenue in the Rosamond A. Tefft Council Chambers at 7:00 PM by Council President Julio J. DiGiando. The following members were present:

Michael G. White, Vice President
Robert W. Sutton, Jr.
Barbara A. Szepatowski

absent: William A. Kelly

also present:

Bruce R. Keiser, Town Administrator
Peter D. Ruggiero Town Solicitor
Arlene D. Petit, Town Clerk
Lisa W. Bryer, Town Planner
Michael Gray, Town Engineer

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- 1) Scott E. Sullivan re: presentation of certificate for appointment as a permanent police officer

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to appoint Scott E. Sullivan as a permanent police officer. So unanimously voted.

It was the consensus of the Council to request the attendance of officers when they are being appointed as part of the permanent police staff.

- 2) Proclamation No. 09-005 proclaiming Friday, April 24, 2009 as Arbor Day in the Town of Jamestown

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to adopt Proclamation No. 09-005 proclaiming Friday, April 24, 2009 as Arbor Day in the Town of Jamestown. So unanimously voted.

COUNCIL SITTING AS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSING BOARD

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.

Council President DiGiando opened the meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board at 7:04 p.m.

- 1) Request of Conanicut Marine Services re: Class G liquor license for permission to serve alcoholic beverages on the ferries of *the Jamestown* and *the MV Katherine* while dockside for thirty (30) minutes prior to departure and until departure, as stated in RIGL §3-7-15 (b)

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor Sutton to accept the Class G Liquor Licenses for the ferries *The Jamestown* and *The MV Katherine* for permission to serve alcoholic beverages while dockside for thirty (30) minutes prior to departure and until departure, as stated in RIGL §3-7-15 (b). So unanimously voted.

- 2) Alcoholic Beverage Limits re: consideration of increasing limits (per memorandum from Town Clerk)

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor Sutton to increase the liquor license limits to include one BVL license to allow for the serving of beer and wine.

Prior to a Council vote, Council President DiGiando called for discussion.

Councilors White and Szepatowski spoke in favor of allowing an additional liquor license.

Councilors Sutton expressed his concern that an establishment near the Jamestown schools would apply for a liquor license if the number of licenses were increased.

In answer to Council questions, the Town Solicitor noted that a decision to increase liquor license limits in no way indicates how the Council would vote on any application for the additional liquor license. In addition, the Town Solicitor stressed that the rules and regulations regarding an establishment that would allow patrons to bring their own bottles "BYOB" are the same as for any establishment that serves liquor.

Council President DiGiando indicated that he was not in favor of increasing liquor license limits.

There being no further discussion, Council President DiGiando called for a vote. It was voted Councilor Sutton, nay; Councilor Szepatowski, aye; Councilor White, aye; Council President DiGiando, nay. With a tie vote, the motion was lost.

The meeting of the Council sitting as Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board concluded at 7:16 p.m.

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 approval of each item as if it had been acted upon separately.

It was requested that item #3(a) (03/04/2009 Planning Commission minutes) be removed from the Consent Agenda. It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to accept the Consent Agenda as amended. So unanimously voted. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- 1) Adoption of Council minutes:
 - a) March 16, 2009 (regular session)
- 2) Bills and Payroll
- 3) Minutes from Boards, Commissions and Committees:
 - a) Jamestown Planning Commission (02/04/2009)
 - b) Town Charter Review Committee (03/11/2009, 03/19/2009)
 - c) Jamestown Harbor Commission (02/11/2009)
 - d) Jamestown Zoning Board of Review (02/24/2009)

- e) Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee
(02/17/2009)
- 4) CRMC Notices:
 - a) Re-Scheduling of Public Hearing re: CRMC Program's Management Procedures Section 5.12 Permit Extensions, and the Program's Coastal Development Regulations / Aquidneck Island Special Area Management Plan to Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.
 - b) Semi-Monthly Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, March 24, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.
- 5) Statewide Planning Program Notices:
 - a) Amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), hearing scheduled for Monday, April 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
- 6) Proclamations & Resolutions from other Rhode Island cities and towns
 - a) Town of Burrillville re: opposition to H5679 (appointment of municipal officers)
 - b) Town of Portsmouth re: opposition to H5122 (creating the turnpike and bridge division within the Department of Transportation)
 - c) State Representative Brian C. Newberry re: resolution to eliminate straight party vote
- 7) Abatements/Addenda of Taxes

- 3) Minutes from Boards, Commissions and Committees:
 - a) Jamestown Planning Commission (03/04/2009)

Councilor Sutton questioned the comments on page 2, 3(d) Tree Preservation and Protection re: removal of the tree in front of the town hall. Councilor Sutton suggested that the Town make every effort to save the tree and asked for another professional opinion with the determination in writing.

The Town Administrator stated that the tree has been looked at by two arborists and it has been determined that the tree might have four to five years remaining life because of the damage done to the tree when the new town hall was under construction.

The Town Engineer noted that the Tree Committee is committed to retaining trees, and it would be his recommendation that the Council consider the replacement of the "town hall tree".

There being no further discussion, it was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor Szepatowski to accept the Planning Commission minutes of March 4, 2009. So unanimously voted.

Councilor Szepatowski asked if the Council would consider moving a new business item up on the agenda.

It was moved by Councilor White, seconded by Councilor Szepatowski to move item #5 under new business up on the agenda. So unanimously voted.

New Business

- 5) Student Assistance Counselor re: funding of position
 - a) Laura Hosley, Student Assistance Manager and Sarah Dinklage, Executive Director of RI Student Assistance

Councilor Szepatowski announced that at the present time we are not looking for the Town to fund the Student Assistance Counselor position. Councilor Szepatowski stated that recent grant funding is expected to cover the cost of this position.

Laura Hosley, Student Assistance Manager, addressed the Jamestown Circle of Support outreach programs available in Jamestown for children and their families. In particular, Ms. Hosley pointed out that the school supported Student Assistance Program is not only a student assistance program but is also a prevention plan. Ms. Hosley reviewed some of the events and programming that Jamestown teens are participating in, and their success in teaching the importance of identifying the problems associated with substance abuse. Ms. Hosley stated that she is concerned with how the continued efforts of the Substance Abuse Task Force will be funded as they are presently at bare-bones funding and cannot support any additional programs.

Sarah Dinklage, Executive Director of RI Student Assistance Services, reviewed the student assistance program model for Rhode Island schools. Ms. Dinklage stated that the program is a state-wide alcohol and drug abuse prevention and early intervention program that operates in middle and senior high schools. This school-based program offers adolescents with a range of services from individual assessments to group counseling. Ms. Dinklage noted that an important element of the success of the program is the ability of a Student Assistance Counselor to work in partnership with the school and the community.

In answer to Council questions, Ms. Dinklage noted that there is no counseling offered at the Jamestown Recreation Center; however, the Student Assistance Counselor may be involved at the Recreation Center. Ms. Hosley stated that the Counselor uses time at the Recreation Center to build relationships and conducting workshops.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Town Council may seek to go in Executive Session to discuss the following items:

Council President DiGiando announced that there would be an executive session later in the evening, pursuant to discuss pending litigation re: RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) litigation, Dutton v. Town of Jamestown.

- 1) Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) litigation (per Town Solicitor)
 - a) Dutton v. Jamestown

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

- 1) Town Administrator's Report (as follows)

To: *Honorable Town Council*
From: *Bruce R. Keiser, Town Administrator*
Date: *April 6, 2009*
Subject: *Town Administrator Report*

Police Station Bids

Michael Gray and Bill Burgin have met with the three low bidders on the Police Station Renovations project to discuss possible economies or modifications. The contractors will submit revised cost proposals by April 9th.

FAST Lease

A meeting was held with Peter Johnstone of the FAST sailing group to further discuss a proposed lease at Ft. Getty for construction of a sailing center. Issues that will be clarified in the proposal include: the shared use of the facility; the size and designated use of the land area to be utilized for the sailing program; parking; boat storage; and lease term. The Town Solicitor will redraft the agreement for review by the Town Council at the April 20th regular meeting.

Purchase and Sale of 44 Southwest Avenue

The Town Solicitor and the Atty. Peter Brockman have redrafted the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the Jamestown Arts Center to address time of performance, sale price, payment schedule, and a mortgage deed and note. We will place the revised agreement on the Council Agenda for April 20th.

Lawsuit re: portion of Prospect Avenue

The owner of property at 49 Bayview Drive North (plat 1 lot 217) has filed a suit to remove the right of the Town to develop a portion of Prospect Avenue, a paper street adjacent to the owner's lot. As shown on the attached aerial map, the main house and outbuildings on the lot overlap the paper street (see attached aerial map). The owner states that the structures date to the early 1900's. He is seeking a mortgage and needs to clear the Town's interest in the paper street in order to proceed. The Town Solicitor has filed an answer on the Town's behalf.

Council Comments:

FAST Lease

- Boat storage requires more discussion prior to any agreement
- Building information and usage needs to be discussed
- Representative of FAST should be present for discussion on April 20, 2009

Police Station Bids

- The last best offer should be for the entire police station project

2) Finance Director's Report

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to accept the Finance Director's Report. So unanimously voted.

3) Memorandum from the Town Clerk re: Wind Energy Committee term endings

It was moved by Council President DiGiando, seconded by Councilor Sutton to extend the term ending dates for the Wind Energy Committee members to May 31, 2010. So unanimously voted.

It was moved by Council President DiGiando, seconded by Councilor Sutton to instruct the clerk to forward a letter to the members of the Wind Energy Committee asking them to serve one more year beyond their initial term. So unanimously voted.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

1) Resolution opposing the creation of The Turnpike and Bridge Division within the Department of Transportation

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to approve the Resolution opposing the creation of The Turnpike and Bridge Division within the Department of Transportation. So unanimously voted.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1) Letter from Jeanne Albrektson re: objections to the installation of composting toilets in the Shores area

The Town Administrator suggested that the Council refer the letter from Jeanne Albrektson to the Town Scientist for a recommendation to the Town Council.

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to accept the communication from Jeanne Albrektson. So unanimously voted.

The Council discussed their concerns with the installation of composting toilets in the Jamestown Shores area and asked that RIDEM be notified that the Town is considering how composting toilets will impact the Jamestown Shores, an area that is solely dependent on wells and ISDS.

It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Council President DiGiando that the Town Administrator notifies RIDEM that in the review of the current application the Town of Jamestown has serious concerns about the following:

- RIDEM regulations or specifications to insure the proper inspections and maintenance of composting toilets from time of installation through the years and encompassing changes in ownership.
- Disposal of composted sludge or waste on site in an area like the Jamestown Shores
- The effect of composting toilets on groundwater recharge areas

So unanimously voted.

- 2) Letter from Steve Hillsman, President, Q-Star Technology re: FlashCAM-880 vandalism deterrent system

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to accept the letter from Steve Hillsman, President, Q-Star Technology. So unanimously voted.

- 3) Letter from Walter K. Schroder re: restoration of the former Harbor Mine structures at Fort Wetherill

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to accept the letter from Walter K. Schroder and to forward the letter to the Fort Wetherill file. So unanimously voted.

- 4) Request from Stephen Elmasian, Armenian National Committee of Rhode Island to fly the Armenian flag in memory of the Ottoman Turkish government's failed attempt to eliminate the Armenians from the earth through planned Genocide during World War 1

It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor White to approve the flying of the Armenian flag on a flag pole in the Town Hall.

The Council discussed whether or not to allow the display of non-governmental flags in the Town Hall. The Town Solicitor raised several concerns relating to the potential of running afoul of the First Amendment by choosing to display one flag and not another.

The Council debated both sides of the issue prior to a vote on the motion.

It was voted, Councilor Sutton, aye; Councilor Szepatowski, nay; Councilor White, aye; Council President DiGiando, nay. With a tie vote, the motion was lost.

It was the consensus of the Council that a flag policy be set for any future requests. The Clerk was directed to put this on the April 20 Town Council agenda.

- 5) Request from Gary and Anne Cournoyer to have four dogs at one address
It was moved by Councilor White seconded by Councilor Szepatowski to accept the communication from Gary and Anne Cournoyer. So unanimously voted.

On the recommendation of the Town Solicitor the Council directed the Clerk to request that the Zoning Official speak with the Cournoyers regarding zoning and kennel laws for the Town of Jamestown. The Town Solicitor noted that the only any exceptions could be made was if the Code of Ordinance was amended.

- 6) Request from Meagan Griffin, The Conservation Agency for the appointment of two representatives from Jamestown to a committee focused on managing the town's coyote population

It was moved by Councilor White, seconded by Councilor Szeptowski to accept the communication from Meagan Griffin, representing The Conservation Agency. So unanimously voted.

It was moved by Councilor Szeptowski, seconded by Councilor White to appoint Bruce Keiser and Julio DiGiando as representatives for the Town of Jamestown on the committee established by the Narragansett Bay Coyote Study Committee. So unanimously voted.

LICENSES & PERMITS

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1) **Exhibition License with Vendors Application**

- a) Applicant: Maureen Dunn Packer
Event: 8th Annual Ali Dunn Packer Memorial Road Race
Date: Sunday, June 7, 2009 at 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Place: Fort Getty Pavilion

Note: request to waive vendor fee (\$5.00)

- b) Applicant: Quononoquott Garden Club
Event: Plant Sale
Date: Saturday, May 16, 2009 at 9 a.m. to Noon
Place: East Ferry, Left of Veteran's Square
- c) Applicant: Save The Bay
Event: 33rd Annual Save The Bay, Swim for Narragansett Bay
Date: August 15, 2009 (fog date August 16) at 6 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Place: Potter Cove / Taylor Point

It was moved by Councilor Szeptowski, seconded by Councilor White to issue the Exhibition Licenses for Maureen Dunn Packer, Quononoquott Garden Club, and Save the Bay, as presented. So unanimously voted.

2) **One Day Peddler & Entertainment License**

- a) Applicant: Maureen Dunn Packer
DBA: Ali Dunn Packer Memorial Road Race
Date: Sunday, June 7, 2009
Place: Fort Getty Pavilion
Sales: Tee Shirts

Note: request to waive peddler fee (\$5.00)

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It was moved by Councilor Szeptowski, seconded by Councilor White to issue the One Day Peddler & Entertainment License for Maureen Dunn Packer for Sunday, June 7, 2009. So unanimously voted.

The Council discussed applicants' requests to waive licensing fees. The Clerk was directed to put the Town's Licensing Fee Schedule on the April 20, 2009 agenda.

OPEN FORUM

- 1) Scheduled request to address
 - a) Norma Willis re: landfill / composting

Not present for open forum.

- b) Susan Little re: landfill / composting

Susan Little, North Main Road, read a statement from Norma Willis expressing her concerns with maintaining a compost facility at the former Jamestown Landfill. Ms. Little stated that there was concern over the maintenance and inspection of the compost and the cost associated with such a facility.

Susan Little noted that she found it to be highly suspect that all through the closure reports the historical runoff figures were based on Class B soil and now it is based on Class E soil. This change in class designation allows seven times more water to flow off the landfill. In addition, Ms. Little requested that the addendum outlining the post closure monitoring program for the groundwater be in writing.

- 2) Non-scheduled request to address

Nancy Crawford, Mast Street, member of the Humane Society, read a statement opposing the elimination of an Animal Control Officer and opposing the elimination of the Harbor Master.

Patrick Bolger, Fore Royal Court, asked for documentation on the monitoring plan for the former landfill. Mr. Bolger also asked for a copy of the post closure monitoring plan for his review. The present documentation does not include all the years of monitoring. Mr. Bolger also stated that the Town is taking a risk by allowing work to be done by the Town. It should go out to bid and at least have a comparison of how this job should be accomplished, the timeframe, and the exact savings that would be realized.

Samuel Paterson, Fox Run, stated that he has been the Harbor Master for seventeen years. He thanked several Council members for supporting town workers.

Daniel O'Neil, Summit Avenue, submitted technical literature by Cornell Waste Management Institute on health implications relating to composting facilities.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

- 1) Jamestown Emergency Management Services Compensation Committee (Two (2) vacancies for JEMS representative); Term ending dates are May 31, 2011 & May 31, 2012; interviews complete; if favorable appoint
 - a) Letters of interest
 - i) Judith Bell

- ii) Polly “Prim” Bullock
- b) Letter of Recommendation
 - i) Lawrence J. Bartley, Jr.

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to make the following appointments to the Jamestown Emergency Management Services Compensation Committee: Judith Bell for a term ending May 31, 2011 and Polly “Prim” Bullock for a term ending 2012. So unanimously voted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) Proposed final closure design for the former Jamestown landfill
Town Engineer Michael Gray stated that the Council has received the following documents:

- Final Plan, prepared by GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.
- Remedial Action Work Plan dated March 2009
- Compost Registration Facility and Composting Design Plans

Mr. Gray stated that he has had a number of meetings with the public to review the proposed design. In November 2009, GZA finalized the Remedial Action Work Plan, which includes the drainage design and necessary details for the construction of the landfill closure.

Mr. Gray reviewed the remedy as approved by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management following the site investigation report, which includes:

- Increase the thickness of the soil cap over areas that received solid waste to 2’ of soil cover
- Regrade portions of the site to meet minimum drainage slope and maximum stable slope to control erosion
- Design and implement a stormwater management system for the site

In addition to the above, Mr. Gray stated there has been the inclusion of the following improvements:

- Upgrades to the entrance at North Main Road, which was conducted last summer
- Provide asphalt pavement for all the roadway surfaces on-site including the compost area, material storage area, and roll-off storage area

Post Closure Design:

Mr. Gray reviewed the aerial photo of the post closure design, noting the location of specific components of that design. The following sheets dated March 2009 were provided:

- C1 Cover Sheet & Index to Drawings
- C2 Existing Site Conditions
- C3 Exploration Location Plan

- C4 Proposed Conditions Topography Sedimentation & Erosion Control Plan
- C5 Stormwater Plan / Culvert Schedule
- C6 and C7 Detail Plans

In addition to the above, Mr. Gray provided Registration Drawings for the proposed compost facility dated March 2009 as follows:

- C1 Cover Sheet & Index to Drawings
- C2 Existing Site Conditions
- C# Proposed Conditions Topography
- C4 Facility Buffer Plan
- C5 Detail Plans

Mr. Gray addressed the allowable radius of the compost area and noted that it does encroach onto abutting property. Presently there are no abutting wells or buildings within that radius that would be impacted; however, if that were to change, it would be necessary to relook at the compost facility.

In addition to the above, Mr. Gray asked the Council to consider the following recommendations:

1. The footprint of the landfill needs to be enlarged to include Summit Avenue, or the sludge in the southeast corner must be removed.
2. Holly Street was designated as a buffer zone at the time that the landfill was first licensed. It should continue to be designated in the closure plan.
3. Section 4:12 Groundwater, paragraph 3, indicating GB designation also necessitates that Summit Avenue be added to the landfill footprint or sludge must be cleaned up.
4. Taking into account safety concerns, the landfill drainage ponds should be fenced on all sides.
5. Recommendation for the planting of trees along the west boundary of the landfill to improve the appearance of the facility.

Mr. Gray stated that the estimated cost of closure as presented to the Council is \$820,944. Mr. Gray mentioned that this estimate includes a 20% contingency cost.

At the conclusion of the Town Engineer's presentation the following motions were made as consistent with the memorandum dated April 1, 2009 from Michael Gray to Bruce Keiser:

1. It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor White to direct the staff to begin the abandoning procedures for Summit Avenue, consistent with the memorandum dated April 1, 2009 submitted by Michael Gray to Bruce Keiser. So unanimously voted.

2. It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor White to begin abandoning procedures of Holly Street, consistent with the recommendations in the memorandum submitted by Michael Gray to Bruce Keiser dated April 1, 2009. So unanimously voted.

3. It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor White to incorporate Summit Avenue into Lot 48 following abandonment so that it is included in the groundwater reclassification as outlined in the memorandum dated April 1, 2009 submitted by Michael Gray to Bruce Keiser. So unanimously voted.

4. No action taken

5. It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor White to approve of the landscaping along the west boundary of the landfill as stated in the memorandum dated April 1, 2009 submitted by Michael Gray to Bruce Keiser. So unanimously voted.

Mr. Gray noted that since the Town will be removing the two canopies from the property, a 30' x 40' area will be included for a hoop type structure.

It was moved by Councilor Sutton, seconded by Councilor White that the Town Council approve the plan for closure of the landfill and that the words "draft for client review" be deleted from the plan and submitted to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management as soon as possible.

In answer to several concerns of Councilor Szepatowski, Mr. Gray stated that the Town will be committed to their work on the project and will proceed with the construction in manageable phases.

Councilor Szepatowski asked to be put on record as being against awarding this project without going out to bid.

Mr. Gray noted that in the remedial action plan there is specific reference to GZA GeoEnvironmental performing the oversight and suggested that this be removed and should be more generic. Mr. Gray stated that although he agrees that the project should be bid, there is some responsibility or liability to GZA for their design; therefore, he would recommend that GZA be kept onboard through construction.

Councilor Sutton suggested that the cover letter to RIDEM state that GZA is listed as the consultant engineer, but that RIDEM should be aware that the Town may choose to go out to bid.

So unanimously voted.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Request for Approval of the 2009 Community Development Block Grant Program as outlined in the memorandum from the Town Planner

The Town Planner reviewed the priority list of activities and the amounts requested through the Community Development Block Grant for 2009.

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to approve the Town of Jamestown 2009 Community Development Block Grant Application.

The approved Grant Application is as follows:

- 1) Housing Development: Provide funding to Church Community Housing Corporation for the acquisition of residential property to create housing opportunities to serve low and moderate-income families.
Amount: \$200,000 (not subject to \$250,000 limit)
- 2) Housing Rehab: Provide funding to Church Community Housing Corporation for repairs and improvements to the 20 unit Bayside Apartments Affordable Housing Development.
Amount: \$140,750
- 3) Operating Costs: Church Community Housing Corp to administer the Regional Revolving Loan Fund for home rehabilitation, Homeowners Assistance, other town housing programs and RI Housing Loan programs in Jamestown.
Amount: \$20,000
- 4) Public Facility: Provide funding for East bay Community Action to support family health and dental services to low income, uninsured and underinsured families.
Amount: \$5,000
- 5) Public Facility: Provide funding to the Jamestown Housing Authority to make capital improvements to the Pemberton Apartments housing facility serving low and moderate-income families.
Amount: \$60,000
- 6) Public Facility: Provide funding to Friends of Jamestown Seniors as matching funds for a senior activity van.
Amount: \$7,000
- 7) Economic Development: Support for the Women's Resource Center to provide economic literacy education and micro-enterprise services for victims of domestic violence.
Amount: \$5,000
- 8) Public Services: Provide operating support for the Housing Hotline of Newport County to provide housing counseling and referral services.
Amount \$1,250

- 9) Housing Operating: Provide operating support to the Community Housing Land Trust of RI for support of the statewide Foreclosure Property Recapture Program, technical assistance, training and monitoring of affordable housing units.

Amount: \$3,000

- 10) Housing Operating: Provide operating support to the Narragansett Affordable Housing Corp for education and outreach to the town of Jamestown on the Fair Housing Law and issues regarding discrimination in housing.

Amount: \$3,000

- 11) Administration:

Amount: \$5,000

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| Total: | \$250,000 |
| Not subject to \$250,000 limit | <u>\$200,000</u> |
| | <u>\$450,000</u> |

So unanimously voted.

- 2) Relocation of Holly Street for the Council's consideration

It was the consensus of the Council that the relocation of Holly Street would be addressed following the executive session.

- 3) Endorsement of RI Renewable Energy Fund Grant Application

The Town Planner stated that the application is for a \$1,000,000 grant from RI Renewable Energy Fund for construction costs of a wind turbine to be located at a possible site at Fort Getty. The Town Planner noted that following the completion of the feasibility study the location may be changed.

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor Sutton to endorse the RI Renewable Energy Fund Grant Application. So unanimously voted.

- 4) Increase contract amount for Wind Power Feasibility Study by \$3,000 for a fee not to exceed \$51,000

The Town Planner explained that the \$3,000 being requested is available from the funding previously allocated for this project.

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to approve of the additional \$3,000 for the Wind Power Feasibility Study, for an amount not to exceed \$51,000. So unanimously voted.

- 5) Student Assistance Counselor re: funding of position (per Councilor Szepatowski)

- a) Laura Hosley, Student Assistance Manager and Sarah Dinklage, Executive Director of RI Student Assistance

Previously discussed.

- 6) Award of Bid
 - a) Fort Getty Sewage Disposal System

It was moved by Councilor Szepatowski, seconded by Councilor White to approve the award of bid for the repair to the Fort Getty Sewage Disposal System for the RV Pump-Out to Ken Gladding for an amount not to exceed \$19,500. So unanimously voted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Council President DiGiando, seconded by Councilor White to enter into executive session at 9:30 p.m. pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) litigation, Dutton v. Town of Jamestown. It was voted, Councilor Sutton, aye; Councilor Szepatowski, aye; Councilor White, aye; Council President DiGiando; aye.

Upon the return of the Council from executive session at 9:41 p.m., Council President DiGiando announced that there were no votes taken in executive session.

It was moved by Council President DiGiando, seconded by Councilor Szepatowski to seal the minutes of the executive session from the public. It was voted, Councilor Sutton, aye; Councilor Szepatowski, aye; Councilor White, aye; Council President DiGiando; aye.

The Council discussed the proper procedure to declare Holly Street a public street. The Town Solicitor stated that it would be necessary for the Council to hold a public hearing for the acceptance of Holly Street as a public road.

It was moved by Council President DiGiando, seconded by Councilor Szepatowski to direct the staff to begin efforts for the relocation of Holly Street and to process the related settlement agreement.

So unanimously voted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, it was moved by Council President DiGiando, seconded by Councilor White to adjourn the Council meeting at 9:45 p.m. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Arlene D. Petit
Town Clerk

c: Town Council Members (5)
Town Administrator
Town Solicitor
Administrative Circulation