

# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING Monday, February 1, 2021 6:00 PM

# PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-05 EXECUTED BY GOVERNOR GINA RAIMONDO ON MARCH 16, 2020, THIS MEETING WILL BE TELECONFERENCED VIA ZOOM:

The public is invited to observe and participate in the deliberations of this meeting by accessing the meeting link set forth herein. For those without access to video observation platforms, you may also call in to listen to the deliberations of this meeting by using the call in phone number provided herein. To participate during Public Hearing or Public Input you will press \*9 to raise your hand.

JOIN VIA PHONE: 1-646-558-8656 or 1-301-715-8592 or 833- 548- 0276 US Toll-free or 833- 548- 0282 US Toll-free WHEN PROMPTED, ENTER MEETING ID: 831 1404 8755 PRESS # AGAIN TO JOIN THE MEETING

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- I. ROLL CALL
- II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS
  - A) Review of the FY 2020 Financial Statements with Paul Dansereau, representing Baxter Dansereau & Associates

# IV. COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATOR, TOWN DEPARTMENTS, 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 and will be Acted upon in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b)

- A) EMA Report: Chief Edward Mello: Regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution
- B) Town Clerk's Report: Erin F. Liese Regarding the March 2, 2021 Statewide Special Election

- C) Senior Services Report Regarding Winter Programming
- D) Traffic Committee Report by Vice President Meagher Regarding Dumpling Drive Parking & Traffic

## V. PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS

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) Peddler and Holiday License Renewal Application
  - 1) Applicant: A. B. Monroe Dairy, Inc. **dba: Munroe Dairy** Address: 151 North Bow Street, East Providence, RI 02914
- B) Trash Collector License Renewal Applications
  - 1) Applicant: Island Rubbish Service, Inc. **dba: Island Rubbish** Address: 8 Swinburne Street, Jamestown, RI 02835
  - 2) Applicant: Republic Services, Inc. **dba: Republic Services, Inc.** Address: 1080 Airport Road, Fall River, MA 02720
  - 3) Applicant: Waste Management of RI, Inc. **dba: Waste Management** Address: 1610 Pontiac Ave, Cranston, RI 02920

# VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

A) Upcoming Meetings and Sessions – dates and times

- Town Council Meeting Schedule: Regular Meeting February 16, 2021
   6:00 P.M.
- 2) Schedule Ethics Commission Training- Available dates March 11<sup>th</sup> or March 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 A.M.
- B) Review, Discussion and or take Action Regarding the 2021 Fort Getty Seasonal Rates and Fee Schedule; continued from the meeting of January 19, 2021

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

# Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) Review, Discussion and or take Action Regarding Naming of the Bike Path "Robert W. Sutton, Jr."
- B) Review, Discussion and or take Action Regarding the Request by Jamestown Arts Center, for approval to Exhibit Temporary Artwork from June, 2021 through October, 2021 at the following exhibit locations:
  - 1) One (1) Artwork at East Ferry "Christmas Tree" location.
  - 2) One (1) Artwork at the Entrance to the New Bike Path at the Eldridge Street entrance
  - 3) Three (3) Short Term Projects at the New Bike Path

- C) Review, Discussion and or take Action on Beavertail State Park Application for Federal Surplus Property for Public Park or Recreational Purposes- Portion Naval Communication Station, Newport Naval Base Jamestown, RI, (N-RI-467), to amend the provision in the 1973 Program of Utilization to Convert the Historic Battery Whiting into a Tourist Attraction
- D) Review, Discussion and or take Action on Establishment of an Economic Development Committee

## VIII. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES AND EXPIRING TERMS Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) Tree Preservation and Protection Committee (one vacancy with a three-year term expiring December 31, 2023)
  - 1) Letter on interest for appointment
    - a) Darcy Magratten

# IX. 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 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 Minutes
  - 1) January 4, 2021 (Regular Meeting)
  - 2) January 19, 2021 (Board and Commission Interviews)

## B) Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees

1) Zoning Board of Review (December 15, 2020)

## C) Request of Tax Assessor for Specific Abatements & Addenda of Taxes

MOTOR VEHICLE ABAT	EMENTS TO 2020 TAX ROLL	
05-0352-85M	Motor Vehicle	\$5.90
05-0352-85M	Motor Vehicle	\$43.57
06-0161-62M	Motor Vehicle	\$17.52
10-0095-21M	Motor Vehicle	\$47.21
ADDENDA TO 2020 TAX	ROLL	
03-0570-70	Plat 10, Lot 91	\$ 870.47
TOTAL ABATEMENTS		\$ 114.20
TOTAL ADDENDA		\$ 870.47

D) Appointment of Nancy Beye as Town Council Liaison to the Greater Newport Chamber of Commerce.

# X. 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:
  - Copy of Letter to: Jamestown Town Council From: Discover Newport Dated: December 15, 2020 Re: Annual Audit Report
  - Copy of Letter to: Jamestown Town Council From: Quonset Development Corporation Dated: January 13, 2021 Re: Annual Audit Report
  - Copy of Letter to: Ms. Nancy Beye, Jamestown Town Council From: Mark Baker Dated: January 14, 2021 Re: Mooring Allocation Schedule
  - Copy of Letter to: Ms. Nancy Beye, Jamestown Town Council From: Tim Lemire Re: Parental Alienation

# XI. OPEN FORUM- To participate you will press \*9 to raise your hand. The meeting moderator will coordinate your participation.

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 prohibits 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

# XII. 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 Philomenian Library. Notice is also posted at the Jamestown Police Station and on the Internet at <u>www.jamestownri.gov</u>.

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 <u>eliese@jamestownri.net</u> not less than three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website on January 28, 2021

# Ways to Vote



# **VOTE FROM HOME**

Voting from home is a safe and easy option for those voters who do not want to vote in-person.

Voters who completed their mail ballot application and returned it by the deadline (*Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.*), will have a mail ballot sent to them.

Refer to page 5 for important information about returning your mail ballot.



# **VOTE EARLY IN-PERSON**

# February 10 - March 1



Call your local board of canvassers for voting hours and accessible voting entrance.

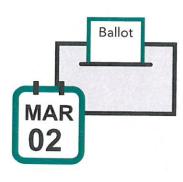


Preview your ballot at vote.ri.gov



Bring a valid photo ID

Wear a mask!



# VOTE ON ELECTION DAY



Find your polling place and polling place hours at **vote.ri.gov** 



Preview your ballot at vote.ri.gov



Bring a valid photo ID

Wear a mask!

# Voting from Home

Voting from home with a mail ballot is a safe and secure option for voters who do not want to vote in-person. **All mail ballot applications must have been received by 4 p.m. on February 9.** Please contact your local board of canvassers if you missed the application deadline and do not want to vote in-person.

Below are the procedures for securely returning your voted mail ballot:

MAIL



 Insert the voted ballot into the Voter's Mail Ballot Certificate (smaller) envelope.

RETURN BY MAIL

No postage necessary

by Election Day.

Be sure to mail your ballot by

February 23 to ensure it is received

8 p.m. on Election Day (March 2).

Your ballot must be received by

• Seal it.

- Print your telephone number (In case there are questions regarding your ballot.)
- Include your RI Driver's License/ State ID or last four digits of your Social Security Number (optional).
- Sign the envelope. (This will be compared to the signature in your voter record.)

# RETURN BY DROP BOX

Seal it.

- No postage necessary
- Drop your ballot off at any 24-hour drop box in RI.
- Must be in a drop box by 8 p.m. on Election Day (March 2).

Go to vote.ri.gov to learn more about drop box locations.

# If you make a mistake when marking the ballot

- If you make a mistake when marking your ballot, DO NOT cross out on the ballot.
- Immediately contact the Department of State's Elections Division at 401-222-2340, TDD 711 or via email at elections@sos.ri.gov to make arrangements to receive a replacement ballot.



# Track your ballot vote.ri.gov

Mail Ballot Certificate

Board of Elections.

envelope into the larger

envelope addressed to the

SECURE ELECTIONS DROP BOX

#### Questions about your ballot?

Contact the Board of Elections: 401-222-2345 or at boe.elections@elections.ri.gov.

For general elections questions, call our Elections Division at 401-222-2340.

# Voting In-Person

You have two options for voting in-person. In the 20 days leading up to Election Day, you can vote in-person at your city or town hall during their regular business hours. Or you may vote in-person at your polling place on Election Day.

# Be voter ready!









# 1 (2)

# Check-in

> Provide your photo ID.

> Sign the electronic poll book screen.

The elections official will provide you with a ballot and a secrecy folder and direct you to a voting booth.

## **Different address?**

If you moved within the same city/town without updating your voter registration address you will need to complete an affirmation form before voting. If your name does not appear on the voter list, you do not have an acceptable form of photo ID, or there is another potential issue with your eligibility to vote.

You will be allowed to cast a provisional ballot on Election Day. This means that your vote may be counted by your local board of canvassers after Election Day.



# Mark your ballot

Read the directions at the top of the ballot. Check both sides of the ballot.

Fill in the oval to the left of your choice.

## If you make a mistake when marking the ballot

Bring your ballot to an elections official and ask for a new one to start over.



# Count your vote!

Remove your ballot from the secrecy folder and insert only your ballot into the voting machine. Wear your "I VOTED" sticker.



# Accessibility and Voting Assistance at the Polls

# Accessible polling place for elderly, disabled and visually impaired voters

Each polling place will have at least one handicapped-accessible voting booth designated for priority use by voters who are over 65 years of age or have some disability.

Voters who have a medical disability which would cause the voter to experience severe discomfort by standing in line will be allowed to move to the front of the line.

Each polling place will also be equipped with a sheet magnifier to assist voters who are visually impaired.

If the polling place you are assigned to is inaccessible, you should notify your local board of canvassers and they will arrange an alternate means for you to cast your vote.

Any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write may be given assistance by a pair of poll workers or a person of the voter's choice. The voter's employer or agent of that employer, or an officer or agent of the voter's union ARE PROHIBITED from providing assistance.

# Using the accessible AutoMark equipment

In accordance with the federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) and state law, an accessible voting unit (AutoMark) will be available at each polling place for every primary and election.

The AutoMark can read and mark the ballot for the voter. This allows voters with reading, vision and other disabilities to mark their ballot privately and independently.

All registered voters are automatically entitled to use the accessible voting equipment located at each polling place. No special applications are required.

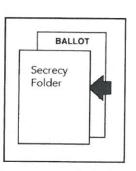
When you arrive at your polling place, you will proceed to the check-in table and tell poll workers that you wish to use the AutoMark to assist in marking your ballot.



Receive ballot and secrecy folder from the poll worker.



Use the AutoMark unit to mark your ballot in private. Place your ballot into the AutoMark unit. Follow the instructions and make selections by using the keypad or touchscreen.



Insert your ballot into the secrecy folder and go to the voting machine.



Remove ballot from the secrecy folder and insert your ballot into the voting machine.

# State Bond Referenda Questions

**Referenda Questions 1 – 7** involve authorizing the State to borrow money through bonds and temporary notes to make capital investments. (Chapter 80 – Public Laws 2020)

#### What is a bond?

A bond is like a mortgage or loan. Just like people might borrow money to get an education or buy a home, the State is asking to borrow money from a lender with the promise to pay it back over time with interest. These questions are asking you for permission to borrow and invest in different areas of our state.

Here is a table of the bond proposals and their associated costs including principal and interest. Just as with a mortgage or loan, the total cost includes the principal amount borrowed and the amount of interest paid over the term of the bond. The total cost also includes any fees, printing, or underwriting expenses associated with issuing the bonds.

STATE BOND QUESTIONS	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	TOTAL COSTS
1. Higher Education Facilities	\$107,300,000	\$64,900,592	\$172,200,592
2. Beach, Clean Water and Green Bond	\$74,000,000	\$44,759,029	\$118,759,029
3. Housing and Community Opportunity	\$65,000,000	\$39,315,363	\$104,315,363
4. Transportation Infrastructure State Match	\$71,700,000	\$43,367,870	\$115,067,870
5. Early Childhood Care and Education Capital Fund	\$15,000,000	\$9,072,776	\$24,072,776
6. Cultural Arts and the Economy Grant Program and State Preservation Grants Program	\$7,000,000	\$4,233,962	\$11,233,962
7. Industrial Facilities Infrastructure	\$60,000,000	\$36,291,105	\$96,291,105
TOTAL BORROWING COSTS FOR ALL REFERENDA	\$400,000,000	\$241,940,697	\$641,940,697

The total costs above are only estimates based on 20-year loans and an interest rate of 5%.

#### On the ballot, you will be asked:

"Shall the action of the General Assembly, by an act passed at the January 2020 session, authorizing the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes of the state of Rhode Island for the capital projects and in the amount with respect to each such project listed below (Questions 1-7) be approved, and the issuance of bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes authorized in accordance with the provisions of said act?", followed by each bond question.

The following pages provide more information about each of the bond questions including their total estimated cost and project timetable. These estimated costs assume the bonds are gradually paid off with level payments over a twenty-year period.

# Senior Services Department – Winter programming update

The pandemic has been an interesting and often challenging time but it has also been a time of growth for the department. The number of people who are reaching out via phone and email has increased. The number of people taking advantage of the Café Grab & Go's has increased. The ages of interested and inquiring seniors has also expanded and there is a greater range in ages.

The front door is kept locked still only so we can control the flow of foot traffic at the only easily accessible door to the center.

Programming during a pandemic creates unique challenges and the need for flexibility is necessary. The information we receive regarding COVID-19 changes frequently and programs have to sometimes be reworked, postponed and sometimes canceled. Providing needed services and programs, keeping seniors safe, and being ever cognizant of the importance of socialization are some of the key considerations behind planning and implementing during this time.

## Currently program offerings:

- 1. Healthy Eating for Successful Living in Older Adults (via Zoom) w/ URI
- 2. Cyber Seniors w/ URI (in-person) scheduled to begin in February
- 3. Memoir Writing Workshop (via Zoom) 2 separate sessions scheduled
- 4. Chair Yoga (in-person) planning stages for safe delivery of this program
- 5. AARP Tax Aide tentatively scheduled to begin around February 15<sup>th</sup> ("in-person" but distanced, by appointment only) \*waiting on final details from AARP
- South County Health nurse monthly Blood Pressure checks and Medication questions (in-person, by appointment)
- 7. Meals on Wheels daily delivery
- 8. Mealsite Grab & Go pick up (in-person) or (delivered to homes)
- 9. Tai Chi for Arthritis (in-person, indoors, limited size group, face coverings and physical distancing)
- 10. Tentatively scheduled some trips beginning in April for small groups. (I already have people registering for them)

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	Town Council Meeting: 6:00pm		Probate Court 9 am Planning Commission 7pm			
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		Conservation Commission (CR) 7pm	Housing Authority 10am (PA) Harbor Commission 7pm			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
8	President's Day Town Hall	Library Board of Trustees 5pm (JPL)		Town Council Packets		
	Closed	Joint Meeting @6:00 Town Council/Water & Sewer: 6:30 pm	Planning Commission 7pm			
21	22	23	24	<b>25</b> Traffic Committee 6pm	26	27
		Zoning Board of Review 7pm	Town Council Agenda & Bills Deadline @ Noon	Town Council Packets		
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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:	Andrew J. Wade, Parks & Recreation Director
CC:	Erin F. Liese, Town Clerk, Tina Collins Finance Director
SUBJECT:	Updated Proposed Fee Schedule – Pavilion Rates
DATE:	January 20, 2021

#### Proposed Fee Schedule for Fort Getty Park, Campground, & Pavilion 2021

The attached updated Pavilion Fee Schedule reflects the following adjustments for 2021. The proposed line item for a specific private organization fee has been removed. It is important to note that the listed fees refer to the permitted use of the pavilion for private events. Any use of the pavilion and/or surrounding grounds with the intent of hosting an event inviting the general public are subject to obtaining approval for a one-day event license from the Town Clerk's office.

Туре	Description	Rate	Increase
Resident	Off-Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$400.00	\$150.00
Resident	Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$600.00	\$200.00
Resident	Friday & Sunday Rental Off-Peak	\$600.00	\$200.00
Resident	Friday & Sunday Rental Peak	\$800.00	\$200.00
Resident	Saturday Rental Off-Peak	\$650.00	\$250.00
Resident	Saturday Rental Peak	\$1,000.00	\$250.00
Non-Resident	Off-Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$800.00	\$200.00
Non-Resident	Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$1,000.00	\$200.00
Non-Resident	Friday & Sunday Rental Off-Peak	\$1,000.00	\$200.00
Non-Resident	Friday & Sunday Rental Peak	\$1,500.00	\$300.00
Non-Resident	Saturday Rental Off-Peak	\$1,000.00	\$200.00
Non-Resident	Saturday Rental Peak	\$2,000.00	\$500.00
Non-Profit	Off-Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$400.00	\$150.00
Non-Profit	Peak Weekday Rental M-Th	\$600.00	\$100.00
Non-Profit	Friday & Sunday Rental Off-Peak	\$600.00	\$200.00
Non-Profit	Friday & Sunday Rental Peak	\$800.00	\$200.00
Non-Profit	Saturday Rental Off-Peak	\$650.00	\$250.00
Non-Profit	Saturday Rental Peak	\$1,000.00	\$250.00



# Jamestown Arts Center

January 25, 2021

The Jamestown Arts Center respectfully requests permissions from the Town of Jamestown to exhibit temporary artworks on town property during the summer season 2021 as follows:

- A) The JAC would like to exhibit one (1) artwork at the East Ferry "Christmas tree" location. Proposals will be solicited for artwork to sit where the Christmas tree is historically located within the garden. Artworks will be limited to 12' high. The JAC will pay the selected artist an honorarium for the loan of the work, will arrange and pay for all installation and removal requirements, and will provide liability insurance for the duration of the exhibition within which the Town of Jamestown is additionally named as insured. Exhibition period is planned for late June through late October 2021.
- B) The JAC would like to place one (1) artwork near the entrance to the new bike path at the Eldridge Street entrance, on exhibit late June through late October 2021. As above, the JAC will pay an artist's honorarium, all installation & removal costs, and provide liability insurance.
- C) Additionally, the JAC would like to solicit proposals for three shortterm, temporary projects to celebrate the opening of the bike path and bring awareness to this area over the course of the summer season, 2021. As above, the JAC will pay an artist's honorarium, all installation & removal costs, and provide liability insurance.

Format will be similar to 2020's "Outdoor Arts Experience", in which the JAC will request proposals from artists. For all projects, proposals will first be screened by JAC and town staff for feasibility. Then, following public art best practices, finalists will be selected by a committee consisting of members of the Jamestown and artistic communities. As before, the final selected artworks for exhibition will be presented to the Town Council as a consent item prior to installation.

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Dickinson Public Art and Outdoor Projects Jamestown Arts Center

> Jamestown Arts Center P.O. Box 97 / 18 Valley St., Jamestown, RI 02835 www.jamestownartcenter.org 401.560.0979

Executive Director

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# **Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management**

235 Promenade Street | Providence, RI 02908 | 401.222.4700 | www.dem.ri.gov | @RhodeIslandDEM

March 12, 2020

Mr. Jamie Hainsworth, Administrator Town of Jamestown 93 Narragansett Ave. Jamestown, RI 02835

> RE: Beavertail State Park - Application for Federal Surplus Property for Public Park or Recreational Purposes – Portion Naval Communication Station, Newport, Naval Base Jamestown, Rhode Island, (N-RI-467), accepted by the United States Department of Interior, January 18, 1973.

Dear Mr. Hainsworth:

I'm writing to recommend that the Town of Jamestown request that the National Park Service (NPS) allow the Town to amend a provision in the 1973 Program of Utilization (POU) on the above-mentioned property that proposed to convert the historic Battery Whiting located on the premises into a tourist attraction.

As you know, the Town acquired the property through the Federal Lands to Parks Program (FLPP) in 1973 and the use of the property is governed by the POU. The Department has leased this property from the Town of Jamestown since 1980. Since then, DEM, in coordination with the Town and the Beavertail Advisory Board, has developed, managed and maintained the iconic property. The Park, with its historic lighthouse and museum, has become as a popular destination for sightseeing, picnicking, saltwater fishing, hiking and marine education. Today, the Park attracts well over 500,000 visitors each year.

With increasing visitor use, aging infrastructure, and increasing erosion and washouts from climate change - driven storm surge, flooding and wind events, DEM and the Town do not have the resources to convert the Battery Whiting into a tourist attraction. The limited resources that Department does have will be directed to longer-term strategies to sustain critical Park infrastructure, to manage the impacts of the inevitable continued erosion and to repair damage from more frequently recurring windstorms.

Due to the pressing stabilization projects and extremely limited available funding, RIDEM requests that the provision requiring the conversion be amended to state *"subject to future financial appropriation."* This would bring the Town and the Department into compliance with the POU and, at the same time, leave the door open to the conversion if funding does become available.

RIDEM has discussed the request with NPS, and they agree that the Town, in consultation with RIDEM based on its leased interest in the property, has the legal right to amend the POU and would most likely support the amendment. If the Town concurs, please forward this correspondence with a letter that you concur and would like to formally request the amendment to Mr. George Robinson, Federal Lands to Parks, National Park Service, 15 State Street, Boston, MA 02109.

Mr. Jamie Hainsworth March 12, 2020

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Should you have any questions related to this matter please contact me to talk further. We appreciate the Town's cooperation and look forward to working with you to bring this matter into compliance with the POU.

Sincerely,

Frank Floor, Administrator Bureau of Natural Resources and Parks & Recreation

Cc: Peter Ruggiero, Esq., Jamestown Solicitor Mary E. Kay, RIDEM, Chief Legal Counsel Jason McNamee, RIDEM, Deputy Director, Bureau of Natural Resources Terri Bisson, RIDEM, Chief Program Development

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING January 4, 20210

# I. ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on January 4, 2021. This meeting was held pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-05, executed by Governor Gina Raimondo and was teleconferenced via Zoom. The public access code to participate by phone was 1 (301) -715-8592 or 1(312) - 626-6799 or 1(646) - 558- 8656 Meeting ID 875 9360 4814. To participate by computer or mobile app: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87593604814</u>. Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary Meagher, Erik G. Brine, Michael G. White and Randy White. Also present Town Administrator Jamie A. Hainsworth, Finance Director Christina D. Collins, Town Solicitor Peter D. Ruggiero, Chief of Police Edward A. Mello, Town Planner Lisa Bryer, Michael Gray Public Works Director and Town Clerk Erin F. Liese.

# II. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:32 P.M. held via Zoom, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# III. COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATOR, TOWN DEPARTMENTS, 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 and will be Acted upon in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b)

- A) Town Administrator's Report: Jamie A. Hainsworth
  - 1) Update on 2021/2022 Budget Preparation and Process

Town Administrator Hainsworth gave a brief update on the status of the budget preparation and advised that Finance Director Collins is already in preparation.

- B) Town Solicitor's Report: Peter D. Ruggiero, Esq.
  - Update on Civil Action File: NC-2020-0375 Thomas Carey V. Town of Jamestown

Vice President Meagher recused and departed at 6:37 P.M.

Town Solicitor Ruggiero gave an update on Civil Action File: NC-2020-0375 Thomas Carey V. Town of Jamestown.

Councilor Brine questioned the property size. Town Solicitor Ruggiero advised the lot was .09 acre.

Discussion ensued on the property location and size.

Town Solicitor Ruggiero advised no action was needed at this time and he would keep the Council apprised of the situation.

Vice President Meagher rejoined the meeting.

## IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

- A) Upcoming Meetings and Sessions dates and times
  - 1) Town Council Meeting Schedule: Board and Commission Interviews; January 19, 2021 at 5:00 P.M-Regular Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Meeting dates were reviewed.

It was noted interviews on January 19, 2021 could begin at 5:30 P.M.

# V. NEW BUSINESS

# Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:

A) Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on Request of Joe & Tony Pinheiro to install upwellers at the Fort Getty Pier

Chief Mello gave the following review and recommendation regarding the installation of upwellers at Fort Getty Pier: In 2018, Joe and Tony Pinheiro began discussions with the Jamestown Harbor Commission (JHC) and requested permission to "install" upwellers at the Fort Getty Pier by retrofitting a pontoon boat. The upwellers would be used to cultivate oyster seed until such time that they reach an adequate size and then be moved to their oyster farm located off of Zeek's Creek.

In 2018, members of the Harbor Commission Facilities Sub-committee and I met with the Pinheiro's on several occasions to discuss the proposal. Included in the discussion was the North Kingstown model in which the Town realized infrastructure benefits as the result of a similar partnership as well as the desire to maintain public benefit and access. Also discussed was the reality that this would be exclusive to the Pinheiro's without a public bidding process and the need for Town Council approval as this use is outside the scope of authority granted to the Harbor Commission.

The Pinheiro's currently have two permits at Fort Getty, which allow them to operate two vessels from the pier. They are both used for commercial fishing purposes. A 19-foot vessel and a 25-foot vessel are both currently permitted and charged a collective rate of \$ 1772.00 per year.

They are currently limited to 160 square feet of work area on the pier deck.

On, March 13, 2019 the JHC recommended to the Town Council that a pilot program be permitted. On April 1, 2019, the Town Council approved the pilot program with conditions as set forth in the attached letter (Attachment A). This included an assessment at the end of the season.

On December 11, 2019, I provided the JHC with my recommendation to terminate the pilot program based on the concerns outlined in the attached memo (Attachment B). On January 8, 2020, the JHC voted to recommend the extension of the pilot program for the 2020 season and the Jamestown Town Council approved this request on January 21, 2020.

On December 9, 2020, the JHC considered the request that the program be continued. This will now mean that the Pinheiros' will occupy three areas at Fort Getty Pier and will be assessed a total rate of \$2572.00/per year. They were provided the attached documents from me (Attachment C).

After much discussion, the JHC recommended the approval of the program for a period of oneyear and to remove the term "pilot" from the agreement. The JHC did not reach a consensus for the permitted area to be allowed on the pier deck. Under the current terms, they are permitted 160 square feet. This is based upon the previous permit of 80 square feet per vessel. The following conditions would remain in place:

- Size of float shall be no greater than 4' by 20'
- Vessels shall meet all local, state and federal requirements
- Shall be considered an extension of the pilot program subject to reassessment in December 2020
- No equipment shall be left on the pier deck outside of the designated work area of 160 s.f.
- Sorter and equipment shall be removed from pontoon boat and deck when not in use
- Insurance and/or bond requirement to be established by the Town
- Harbormaster shall have full authority to remove all equipment at any time
- Required removal of equipment based upon predicted inclement weather conditions
- Rate shall be consistent with current vessel rate; subject to reassessment in December 2021
- Vessels and all equipment when not in use shall be removed from Town property in accordance with all local, state laws, rules and regulations
- No public access shall be permitted onto the float
- No electricity to be used for operation
- Must obtain CRMC permit
- The Town's Insurance Carrier has indicated that the following insurance coverage must be provided; please provide me a copy of the binder listing the coverage detail:
- Minimum General Liability limits: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 in aggregate with carrier rated B+ or better by A.M. Best or national rating agency
- List the Town of Jamestown as an additional insured Endorsement CG 20 37
- The Town will not waive subrogation rights as the Trust General Liability Policy has an express restriction against agreeing to such a waiver.

Vice President Meagher clarified if the permit was extended the rent would be \$2,572.00 per year to be reviewed again in December, 2021.

Tony Pinherio further explained his request to expand upon the pilot program and advised he has not received complaints and has been utilizing this dock for almost 30 years. He discussed the importance of aquaculture.

Councilor Brine emphasized the importance of developing an overall general plan and future plan for Fort Getty.

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Discussion ensued on Fort Getty utilization and the pilot program.

A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White to Approve the Request of Joe & Tony Pinheiro to install upwellers at the Fort Getty Pier to grow oysters with access to the previously permitted 160 square feet with an additional 80 square feet allowed for a total of 240 square feet with a permit fee to paid in the amount of \$2,572.00. The following conditions would remain in place: Size of float shall be no greater than 4' by 20; Vessels shall meet all local, state and federal requirements; Shall be considered an extension of the program subject to reassessment in December 2021; No equipment shall be left on the pier deck outside of the designated work area; Sorter and equipment shall be removed from pontoon boat and deck when not in us; Insurance and/or bond requirement to be established by the Town; Harbormaster shall have full authority to remove all equipment at any time; Required removal of equipment based upon predicted inclement weather conditions; Rate shall be consistent with current vessel rate; subject to reassessment in December 2021; Vessels and all equipment when not in use shall be removed from Town property in accordance with all local, state laws, rules and regulations; No public access shall be permitted onto the float; No electricity to be used for operation; Must obtain CRMC permit; The Town's Insurance Carrier has indicated that the following insurance coverage must be provided; please provide me a copy of the binder listing the coverage detail: Minimum General Liability limits: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 in aggregate with carrier rated B+ or better by A.M. Best or national rating agency ; List the Town of Jamestown as an additional insured – Endorsement CG 20 37 and The Town will not waive subrogation rights as the Trust General Liability Policy has an express restriction against agreeing to such a waiver. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye

- VI. ORDINANCES, APPOINTMENTS, VACANCIES AND EXPIRING TERMS Please Note in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b) the Council May Review, Discuss and/or take Action and/or Vote on the following items:
  - A) Jamestown Harbor Commission Member (two vacancies with a three-year term expiring December 31, 2023)
    - 1) Letters of interest for reappointment
      - a) Stephen Bois

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor R. White to approve appoint Stephen Bois to the Harbor Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2023.Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

- 2) Letter of interest for appointment
  - a) Jessica McCarthy

It was determined to have Mrs. McCarthy interviewed on January 19, 2021.

- 3) Letter of Resignation
  - a) Mr. Harsch

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

## VII. 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 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 potential action and or vote.

- A) Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees
  - 1) Zoning Board of Review (November 24, 2020)
  - 2) Zoning Board of Review (December 1, 2020)

## B) Request of Tax Assessor for Specific Abatements & Addenda of Taxes

04-0160-06M	Motor Vehicle-	\$109.02
04-0160-07M	Motor Vehicle-	\$58.26
ABATEMENTS TO 2020	TAX ROLL	
13-0450-35	Plat 9, Lot 46	\$355.89
ADDENDA TO 2020 TAX	ROLL	
18-0152-27	Plat 5, Lot 25	\$ 125.00
TOTAL ABATEMENTS		\$ 523.17
TOTAL ADDENDA		\$ 125.00

C) Approval of Pole Placement Request by National Grid & Verizon New England for Install Pole 2-2 Across the Street from Pole 2 to Service new Customers on Bay Terrace; Plan WR #30132951

## VIII. OPEN FORUM- To participate you will press \*9 to raise your hand. The meeting moderator will coordinate your participation.

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 prohibits 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

Council President Beye requested that Town Council Liaisons be reviewed at the next Council meeting and also to set up a meeting with the Jamestown Housing Authority.

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice President Meagher with second by Councilor Brine to adjourn at 7:29 P.M. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, aye; Councilor R. White, Aye.

Attest:

Erin F. Liese, CMC Town Clerk

01-04-2021

# TOWN COUNCIL INTERVIEW SESSION January 19, 2021

# I. CALL TO ORDER

# II. ROLL CALL

The interview session for the Jamestown Town Council was called to order at 5:33 p.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-05, executed by Governor Gina Raimondo on March 16<sup>th</sup>; and was conducted by teleconference via Zoom. Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Mary E. Meagher, Erik G. Brine, Michael G. White, and Randall White. Also present Erin F. Liese, Town Clerk.

# III. TOWN COUNCIL INTERVIEWS: The Jamestown Town Council will meet in special session to conduct interviews of the following applicants for the following appointments as follows:

Jessica McCarthy was interviewed for the Harbor Commission vacancy.

Carol Welch was interviewed for Library Board of Trustees vacancy.

Mackenzie Richards was interviewed for Library Board of Trustees vacancy.

Devi Ross was interviewed for Library Board of Trustees vacancy.

# III. ADJOURNMENT

The Town Council interview session was concluded at 6:13 p.m.

Attest:

Erin F. Liese, CMC, Town Clerk

#### JAMESTOWN ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW

Minutes of the December 15, 2020 Meeting

#### A regular meeting of the Jamestown Zoning Board of Review was held December 15, 2020. THIS MEETING Was TELECONFERENCED VIA ZOOM AND VIA TELEPHONE:

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Zoning Officer called the roll and noted the following members present:

Richard Boren, Chair Dean Wagner, Vice-chair Terence Livingston, Member Edward Gromada, Member Judith Bell, 1<sup>st</sup> Alt. James King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alt.

Also present:	Host Cinthia Reppe, Planning Assistant
	Brenda Hanna, Stenographer
	Chris Costa, Zoning Officer
	Peter Ruggiero, Counsel
	Pat Westall, Zoning Clerk

#### MINUTES

Minutes of Nov. 24, 2020

A motion was made by Terence Livingston and seconded by Judith Bell to accept the minutes of the November 24, 2020 meeting as presented.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 - 0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Judith Bell and James King voted in favor of the motion.

Edward Gromada was absent.

Minutes of Dec. 1, 2020

A motion was made by Terence Livingston and seconded by Judith Bell to accept the minutes of the December 1, 2020 meeting as presented.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 - 0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Judith Bell and James King voted in favor of the motion.

Edward Gromada was absent.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was in reference to items on the agenda.

Please note: Edward Gromada joined the meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### Carlson

A motion was made by Richard Boren and seconded by to Dean Wagner to grant the request of Laura J. Carlson and Donald R. Carlson (OWNER) whose property is located at 20 Brook Street, and further identified as Tax Assessor's Plat 9, Lot 281 for:

 a Special Use Permit under Article 7, Section 82-704 (Alteration of a nonconforming use) and Section 82-705 (Alteration of a nonconforming structure);
 a Variance from Article 3 (Application of District Regulations) Section 82-302, Table 3-2 wherein a fifteen-foot (15') rear yard setback is proposed where thirty feet (30') is required for a second principal structure; and
 if necessary, a Variance from Article 3 (Application of District Regulations) Section 82-303 (Number of Residential Structures Per Lot) to permit a second principal structure on the lot; to remove an existing nonconforming structure and construct a 900 square foot (footprint) structure; and to allow the continuance or renewal of an existing 1989 Regulatory Variance granting such structure to be used as a second dwelling unit on the lot; and to allow a 15 foot rear (northern) setback where 30 feet is required for a second principal building on the lot.

Regarding this request, this Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 600

Regarding the request for a Variance, this Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 606, PARAGRAPHS 1 through 4, and SECTION 607, PARAGRAPH 2.

Regarding the request for a Special Use Permit, this Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTION 602.

This motion is based on the following findings of fact:

1. Said property is located in an R-8 Zone in the Village Special Development District and contains 22,000 square feet, with a contiguous commonly owned lot (Plat 9 Lot 823) containing an additional 8000 square feet subject to a conservation easement held by the Conanicut Island Land Trust.

This Special Use Permit and Variance is granted with the following restrictions:

- The project must be constructed in strict accordance with the site and building plans duly approved by this Board.
- 2. Mature (10+ foot) evergreen trees are planted along the northern property line to provide a buffer and provide privacy for Plat 9, Lot 521, 23 Friendship Street.
- 3. Any right that the applicant or future property owners may or may not have to subdivide the lot is extinguished at this time. If at any time in the future the property owners totally remove secondary residence from the property, the special use permit and variance shall terminate, and the property owners shall have whatever rights may be in existence at that time to subdivide, if such rights, may exist. Any such right to subdivide in the future upon the removal of the secondary residence shall be in accordance with the subdivision regulations in effect at that time. Any deed between future sellers and buyers of the property, shall reference this portion of the Decision including the Book and Page that is the recordation of this Decision.
- 4. Any short-term rentals less than 60 days of the proposed secondary residence shall be prohibited.

## Findings of Fact

#### A. Travel of the Case

- 1. Commencing in March 2020 and concluding in October 2020, the Carlsons have filed four Applications for Exception or Variance under the Jamestown Zoning Ordinance.
- 2. Based upon the second Application filed on July 24, 2020 to be heard on August 25, 2020, the Zoning Board of Review on August 25, 2020 referred the Application to the Planning Commission for findings and recommendation.
- 3. The Planning commission met on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and September 16<sup>th</sup> to review the Carlsons's July 24, 2020 Application, made nineteen (19) separate findings of fact and made a series of recommendations with conditions. The Planning Commission's Memorandum of September 21, 2020 will be discussed at further length.
- 4. After having met with the Planning Commission on September 2, 2020 and September 16, 2020, the Carlsons filed a third Application with the Zoning Board of Review on September 18, 2020 for hearing on October 27, 2020.
- 5. On October 27, 2020, the Zoning Board of Review, without the taking of any testimony, suggested to the Carlsons' certain proposed changes to their Application.
- 6. Between the first Application and the third Application, all discussions between the Carlsons and the Zoning Board of Review were on the record at Zoning Board of Review meetings and were open to the public and objectors.
- On October 31, 2020, the Carlsons filed the present Application to the Zoning Board of Review for the property located at 20 Brook Street, seeking a Special Use Permit under Section 82-704, a Variance from Section 82-302, and if necessary, a Variance from Section 82-303.
- 8. On December 1, 2020, the Zoning Board of Review met to hear the October 31, 2020 Application, hear testimony from witnesses, and the introduction of exhibits. At the conclusion, the Application was continued to December 15, 2020 for Decision.

#### B. Overview of October 31, 2020 Application. Exhibit 1

The applicants are seeking to remove an existing non-conforming structure (secondary residence) and replace it with a new secondary residence sited further from the side and rear lot lines.

- 10. The applicants are seeking a Variance from Section 82-302. Table 3-2. (15 feet from rear set back where 30 feet is required).
- 11. Special Use Permit under Sections 82-704 and 705 for alteration of a non-conforming use and structure, to affirm or renew a 1989 Regulatory Variance granted under then Section 331 (currently 82-303) allowing a second principal residence on the lot.
- 12. If necessary, a Variance under 82-303 to allow a second principal residence on the lot.

## C. Exhibits

At the commencement of the hearing, the following Exhibits were marked as full Exhibits.

- Exhibit 1: October 31, 2020 Application for Exception or Variation under the Zoning Ordinance.
- Exhibit 2: January 25, 1989 Decision of the Zoning Board pertaining to 20 Brook Street.
- Exhibit 3: Planning Commission Memorandum dated September 21, 2020.
- Exhibit 4: Technical Review Committee Minutes dated August 31, 2020.
- Exhibit 5: Correspondence from Largess Forestry dated April 16, 2020.
- Exhibit 6: Undated letter from Frank Shirley Architects to Planning Commission with attached six pages of designs and layouts for the proposed cottage.
- Exhibit A: Correspondence dated November 16, 2020 to Zoning Board from Cheryl and Norman Fine in opposition to the Application.
- Exhibit B: Correspondence dated November 20, 2020 from Mel and Barbara Whitaker that is conditionally in favor of the Application.
- Exhibit C: Correspondence dated November 23, 2020 with attached prior correspondence from Kristen Sloan Maccini in opposition to the Application.

#### D. Evidentiary Hearing

- 13. The property is located at 20 Brook Street, Assessors Plat 9, Lot 281.
- 14. The lot contains 22,000 square feet, which presently includes a main residence, a legal non-conforming secondary residence to the west of the main residence, and a large open space lawn to the east of the main residence.

- 15. To the south of the two residences is at least a twenty-year-old Japanese Flowery Cherry Tree. Although Matthew Largess did not testify as a certified arborist, <u>exhibit 5</u> is correspondence from Mr. Largess regarding protection of this "amount and valuable Japanese Flowering Cherry Tree".
- 16. The lot is an R-8 Zoning District which is within the Jamestown Village Special Development District.
- 17. The existing secondary residence was granted permission to be such by a regulatory variance granted in January 1989. Relief was granted for side and rear set back at that time. The relief sought in January 1989 was for a one-bedroom dwelling unit. The approval was conditioned upon that if the property is subdivided the variance shall terminate. See Exhibit 2.
- 18. The Zoning Officer, Chris Costa, has made a determination that the application is for two dwellings on one lot per 82-303 and therefore both structures should meet the setbacks for a primary residence.
- 19. The current secondary residence has a 441 square footprint and 776 square feet of living area. In the past it has been used as a rental.
- 20. Frank Shirley, registered architect, specializing in historic homes of late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century, credibly testified that the current secondary residence, which is two stories, is in such disrepair, that although his firm always looks to renovate, there is nothing in the current secondary residence worth renovating.
- 21. Architect Shirley credibly testified that the proposed secondary residence needs to allow the Carlson's mother space to live independently, to live on one floor, and the first-floor bathroom to accommodate a walker.
- 22. Architect Shirley has testified that the proposed secondary residence will relate to the main house but will be subservient to the main house and not upstage it. The proposed secondary residence will be sited in a differential way to the main house.
- 23. The proposed secondary residence will have a 900 square foot footprint; 1161 square feet of living area; contain a living room, kitchen, bathroom and bedroom on the first floor and a bedroom and bathroom on the second floor for potentially a caretaker for the Carlson's mother.
- 24. The present secondary residence, which is also two stories, but smaller than the proposed structure will be demolished.
- 25. The present secondary structure is 5 feet, 6 inches from the side set back where 7 feet is required and 4 foot from the rear set back where 30 feet is required.
- 26. From a setback point of view, the larger proposed secondary residence will be less intrusive as the side set back will meet the 7-foot requirement and the rear set back will be 15 feet from the rear property line, i.e., 11 feet less intrusive.

- 27. The present secondary residence has a rear balcony. The proposed secondary residence will have neither a rear deck or balcony.
- 28. The proposed secondary residence will be 23 feet, 6 inches to the ridge line, where the maximum allowed for a secondary residence is 25 feet.
- 29. Mr. Shirley credibility testified that his proposed secondary residence is as small as he could design and is the least relief necessary.
- 30. Since 1989 to the time the Carlsons purchased 20 Brook Street in approximately 2019, the present secondary residence which has 776 square feet of living area has served as a rental.
- 31. Although Matthew Largess states in Exhibit 5 that there is an ancient and valuable Japanese Flowering Cherry Tree that has been located in the yard, the tree will be removed to site the proposed secondary residence 11 feet further south from the north property line.
- 32. The Planning Commission met on September 2, 2020 and September 6, 2020 upon referral from the Zoning Board for findings and recommendations. The Zoning Board of Review incorporates Planning Commission findings 8, 9, 10, and 18 as set forth in <u>Exhibit 4</u>, Planning Commission Memorandum.
- 33. Peter Herne, 28 Brook Street, testified that it was his opinion that the proposed residence is larger than necessary for a single person - one story is better - he is sorry for the loss of the cherry tree.
- 34. Melvin Whitaker, 23 Friendship Street, testified that he would prefer that the proposed windows on the north side of the proposed secondary dwelling be eliminated.
- 35. Donald Carlson testified that the windows were going to be removed when the proposed secondary residence was sited in its present location, 4 feet from the north property line, but would not be removed at 15 feet from the north property line.
- 36. Kristen Sloan Maccini, 17 Friendship Street, testified to a number of issues.
  - The Carlsons can build the proposed secondary residence at the 30 foot required set back without seeking any dimensional variance.
  - If applicant tears down the present secondary residence, they need a use variance.
  - Any secondary residence built should be the same size as the existing structure.
- 37. Exhibit A is correspondence from Cheryl and Norman Fine, 27 Friendship Street. The Fines were in favor of the Carlson's original plan to renovate the existing cottage. They

are not in favor of the plan to demolish the existing cottage and build a new larger, twobedroom house on the site, no matter where it is placed.

- 38. On December 9, 2020, Kristen Sloan Maccini withdrew her objection to the application provided the Zoning Board of Review Decision includes Planning Commission recommendations that the property may not be further subdivided.
- 39. By letter to the Zoning Board of Review on 12/9/20 Architect Shirley clarified the number of stories and the number of bedrooms in the proposed secondary residence:

Number of Stories. The existing carriage house is a two-story structure as defined by the zoning ordinance, with the roof rafters bearing on second floor walls that are approximately 53" tall. <u>The propose cottage is a one-story structure</u>, with the roof rafters bearing directly on the attic floor. These determinations are taken directly from the follows definitions within the zoning ordinance:

Attic: The interior part of a building contained within the sloped roof of a structure.

**Story:** A habitable level within a building, excluding an attic or basement, less than 14 feet high.

**Number of Bedrooms.** The existing carriage house has a bedroom and full bath on the second floor. The first floor has a kitchen, powder room, and living room. There is a stair between floors. Because of Mr. Carlson's unequivocal need to live fully on one floor due to her restricted mobility, we have taken the primary bedroom that was on the second floor of the carriage house, and placed it on the first floor of the proposed cottage. The attic of the proposed cottage will be an open loft, the use of which may vary. The second-floor bath of the current carriage house is maintained in the proposed cottage to serve the loft as needed.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 - 0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada and Judith Bell voted in favor of the motion.

James King was not seated.

NEW BUSINESS

West Reach 539 and West Reach 540 A motion was made by Dean Wagner and seconded by Terence Livingston to continue both the request of West Reach Estates Associates (West Reach Associates, owner) to the January 26, 2021 meeting.

This Board is awaiting a memorandum from the solicitor rendering a decision if the application should be heard by this board.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 - 0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada and Judith Bell voted in favor of the motion.

James King was not seated.

#### Langlois

A motion was made by and seconded by Terence Livingston and seconded by Edward Gromada to grant the request of Michael A. Langlois, whose property is located at 85 Frigate St., and further identified as Assessor's Plat 16, Lots 209 & 210 for a special use permit from Art. 3, Sec. 314, High Groundwater Table & Impervious Layer Overlay District, and Art. 6, Sec. 82-601 Special use permits authorized by this ordinance and 82-602 Burden on the applicant to construct an addition comprising a two car garage and covered porch.

This Board has determined that this application does satisfy the requirements of ARTICLE 6, SECTIONS 600 and 602.

This Special Use Permit is granted with the following restriction/condition(s):

This project must be constructed in strict accordance with the site and building plans duly approved by this Board with the following conditions of approval as outlined in The Planning Commission memo dated 11-12-2020.

This motion is based on the following findings of fact:

- 1. Said property is located in a R40 zone and contains 17,364 sq. ft.
- 2. The proposed impervious coverage will be 10.8% where 11% is required.

- 3. Engineer Kamal Hingorany testified and the Board finds his testimony credible and accepts his testimony.
- 4. Lisa Carlisle, architect testified and the Board finds her testimony credible and accepts her testimony.
- 5. Existing garage is too small and is not usable.
- 6. The proposed structure will be more esthetically pleasing.
- 7. Incorporate the Planning Commission findings of fact of November 12, 2020 memorandum into the Board findings of fact.
- 8. Planning Commission conditions of approval from November 12, 2020 memo incorporated into Zoning Board decision of 12-15-2020:
- 1. A Special Use Permit for Section 314 is required from the Zoning Board of Review;
- The proposed infiltration area must be physically delineated on the site prior to the commencement of construction to prevent compaction of the soil by heavy equipment;
- 3. An erosion and sediment control permit will be required from the building official prior to commencement of construction. Erosion and sediment controls shall be installed at the down gradient limit of disturbance and shall be maintained until final stabilization is achieved on the site.
- 4. An as-built plan shall be provided at the completion of construction to the Building Official depicting the size and location of the house, size and location of the rain gardens, and verifying the elevations and grading shown on the proposed site plan;
- 5. Maintenance and inspection of the existing OWTS shall continue as required by the Town Onsite Wastewater Management Ordinance; and,
- 6. The Operation and Maintenance (O & M) Plan (reproduced in 8.5" x 11") shall be provided to the Zoning Enforcement Officer as well as the Planning Department for both the stormwater mitigation infiltration system and the pervious paver driveway. Such O&M plans shall be recorded in the Office of the Town Clerk with the Zoning Approval and evidence of such shall be provided to the Zoning Enforcement Officer;
- 7. Final merger of lots 209 and 210 shall occur by administrative subdivision subsequent to Zoning Board approval of this application and prior to building permit issuance; and,
- 8. Any additional impervious cover on the site is prohibited without additional Zoning Board approval.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 - 0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada and Judith Bell voted in favor of the motion.

James King was not seated.

Approval of 2021 meeting dates.

A motion was made by Judith Bell and seconded by Terence Livingston to approve the 2021 meeting dates.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 - 0.

Richard Boren, Dean Wagner, Terence Livingston, Edward Gromada and Judith Bell voted in favor of the motion.

James King was not seated.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.



Town of Jamestown Tax Assessor

93 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835

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To: COUNCIL PRESIDENT BEYE, JAMESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL

From: CHRISTINE BROCHU, JAMESTOWN TAX ASSESSOR

Subject: ADDITIONS AND ABATEMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FEBRUARY 1, 2021 MEETING

# MOTOR VEHICLE ABATEMENTS TO 2020 TAX ROLL

05-0352-85M ESJ INC.	Motor Vehicle - 2011 Land Ran Reg. BM626 Duplicate registration.	\$5.90
05-0352-85M ESJ INC.	Motor Vehicle – 2008 Merc. Reg VD988, Duplicate registration.	\$43.57
06-0161-62M Fennell, David	Motor Vehicle- soldier / sailor exempt	\$17.52
10-0095-21M Jansheski, John W.	Motor Vehicle- soldier / sailor exempt	\$47.21

#### ADDENDA TO 2020 TAX ROLL

03-0570-70 Changel Street Bertmann Trust	Plat 10, Lot 91 – New Construction – Prorated 45	\$ 870.47
Chapel Street Partners Trust	days – New Value \$3,483,700	

TOTAL ABATEMENTS	\$ 114.20
TOTAL ADDENDA	\$ 870.47

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Christine Brochu

CHRISTINE BROCHU TAX ASSESSOR From: Erin Donovan-Boyle <<u>erin@newportchamber.com</u>> Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 11:26 AM To: Jamie Hainsworth <<u>jhainsworth@jamestownri.net</u>> Subject: Municipal Liaison

Hello Administrator Hainsworth,

Happy New Year! I wanted to reach out to see if you would like to designate one of your Town Council members to be a municipal liaison to the Greater Newport Chamber of Commerce. In the past, we have had representatives from each town in Newport County serve as a municipal liaison to the Board. This was done away with almost a decade ago, but we would like to reignite it this year and have gotten a lot of interest from some of the towns we represent to do so. We will be meeting 4 times this year with the municipal liaisons and the full Board of Directors of the Chamber. Here are the planned meeting dates to take place via zoom at 8:00am:

2/16 4/20 6/15 10/19

I think this will be a great way to keep the lines of communication open between the Chamber, broader business community and the Council Members. Hopefully this will provide a great opportunity for regular and constructive dialogue.

I look forward to hearing from you soon and would be happy to reach out to the Council if you think that's appropriate as well.

Additionally, I would love the opportunity to brief you on our Connect Greater Newport initiative, which has been supported by Jamestown in the past under Andy Nova's tenure. If you have some time in the coming weeks, might we be able to meet via zoom to discuss it in more depth?

Best, Erin

Erin Donovan-Boyle Executive Director (401) 847-1608 Erin@NewportChamber.com NewportChamber.com



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December 15, 2020

Offices of the Town Council Town Hall 93 Narragansett Ave Jamestown, RI 02835

Dear Council Members,

In accordance with RI State Statute 42-105-11, we have enclosed a copy of our consolidated annual audit report for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019. I am pleased to report that we received an unmodified opinion and had no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

If you would like an electronic copy of the audit report, please contact me at aadkins@discovernewport.org.

I would also like to take this opportunity to let you know that we our moving our offices effective January 1, 2021. Our new address is:

Discover Newport 44 Long Wharf Mall Newport, RI 02840

Sincerely,

Alyson C Adkins VP of Finance and Human Resources

Enclosures



January 13, 2021

Nancy A. Beye Town Council President Town of Jamestown 93 Narragansett Ave. Jamestown, RI 02835

Dear Ms. Beye,

Enclosed is Quonset Development Corporation's yearly statutory reporting package under Statute 42.64.10-9 for calendar year ending December 31, 2020.

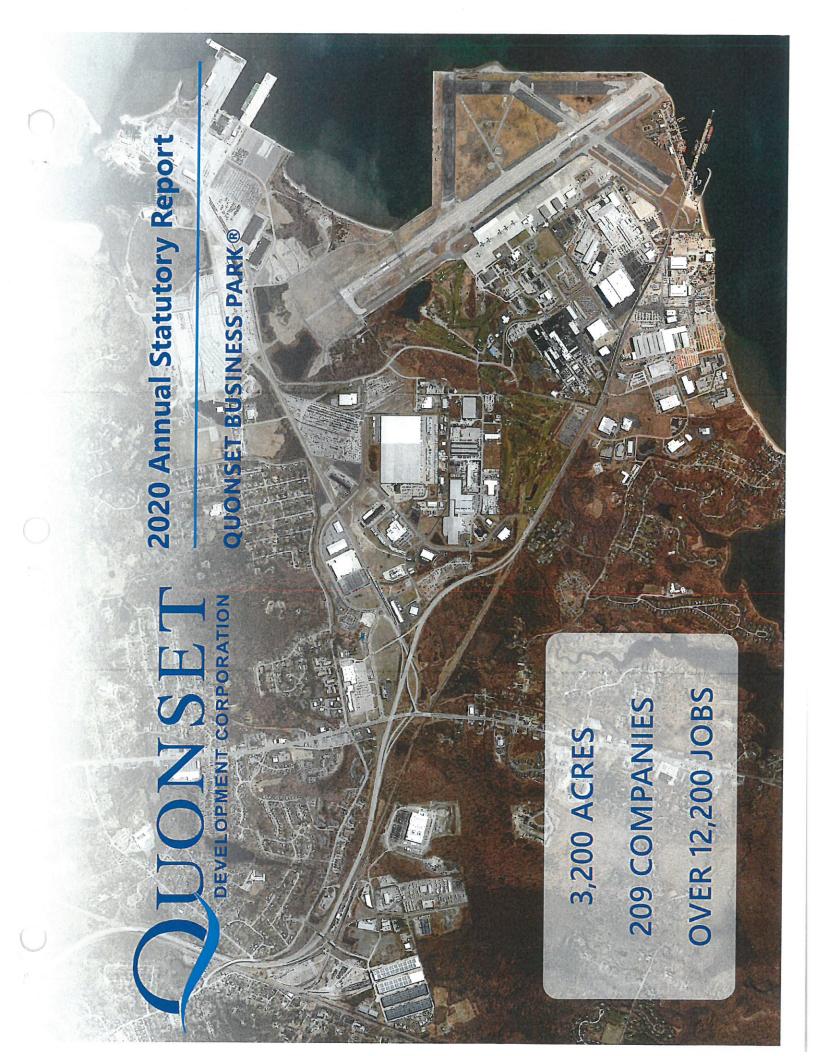
Please feel free to contact me with questions.

Sincerely, Steven J. King, P.E.

Managing Director

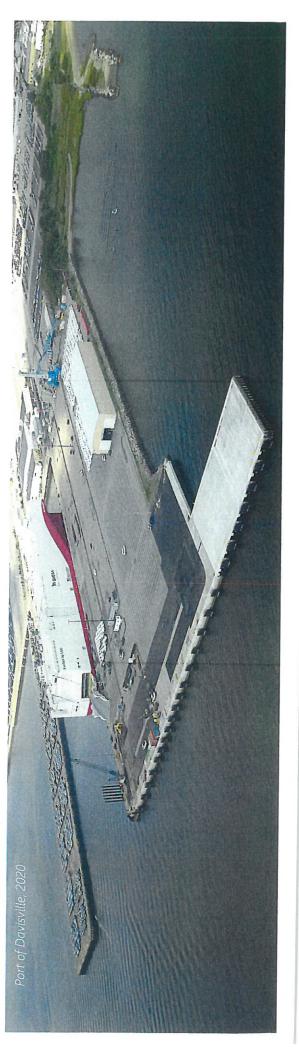
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Board of Directors, Quonset Development Corporation Ralph Mollis, North Kingstown Town Manager Andy Nota, East Greenwich Acting Town Manager Jamie Hainsworth, Jamestown Town Administrator Kenneth G. Findlay, Exeter Town Council Assistant



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# **QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

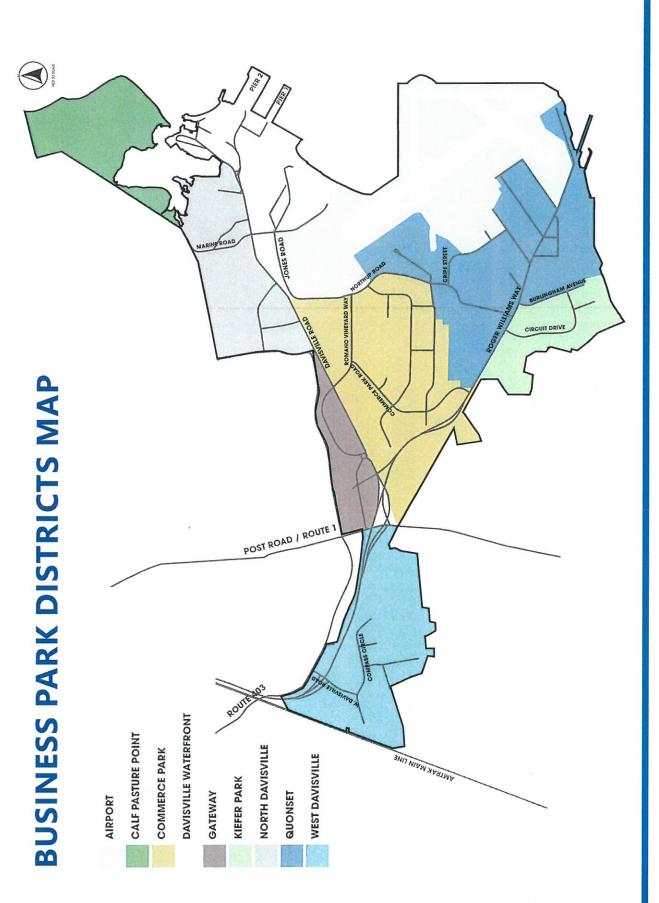
The Quonset Development Corporation (QDC) is a quasi-state agency, established as a Economic Development Corporation). QDC, which is responsible for the development and management of the Quonset Business Park, was created by the Rhode Island General Assembly on July 1, 2004 (RIGL 42-64.9) and became effective through a transfer of powers special purpose subsidiary of the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation (formerly the RI on January 1, 2005.

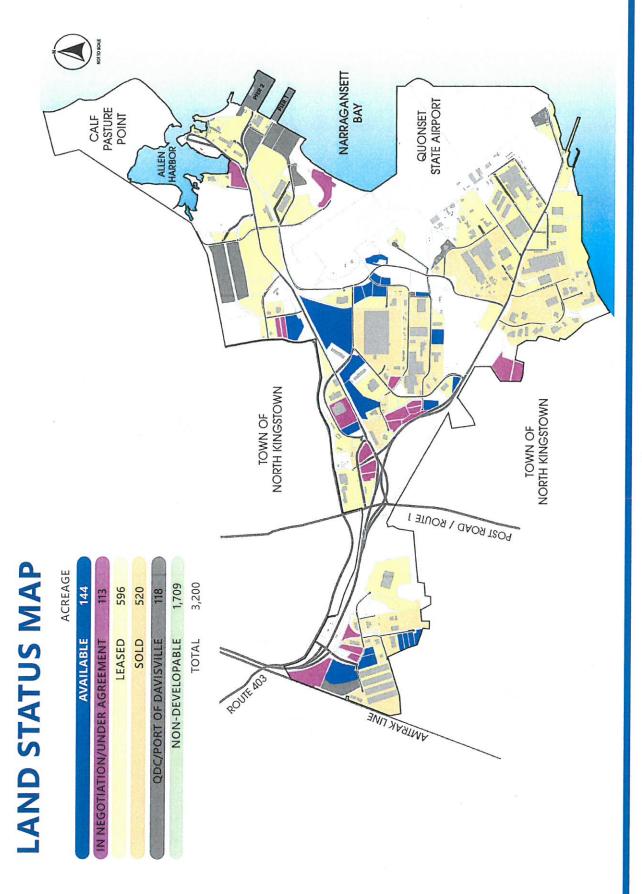
Plan adopted by the QDC Board of Directors in October of 2008 and amended in 2010, 2012 and most recently in October 2019. This document serves as the general guide for the continuing development of the site and related infrastructure improvements. In broad Land use at the Quonset Business Park is governed by a Master Land Use and Development terms, QDC's development goals are as follows:

#### CREATE ADDITIONAL JOBS. STIMULATE PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT. CREATE ADDITIONAL TAX BASE.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

a statewide asset, in accordance with the Master Land Use and Development Plan in the best interest of the citizens of Rhode Island to attract and retain successful businesses that The Quonset Development Corporation develops and manages the Quonset Business Park, provide diverse employment opportunities.





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continuing to work in the safest possible manner in order to best serve "At Quonset, our team is focused on one thing during this crisis; the Rhode Island business community, our Business Park's 200 companies and their 12,000 employees.

#### QUONSET BUSINESS PARK **WORK CONTINUES AT**

May 8, 2020 nere

New England Real Estate Journal

## **VIRUS RESPONSE**

**QUONSET PLAYING KEY ROLE IN STATE'S** 

"Despite the economic uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, the strength of Quonset's manufacturing sector has ensured stable jobs for thousands of

Rhode Islanders, and the sector is primed to continue growing."

October 30, 2020

QUONSET DISPLAYS ITS MANUFACTURING SIDE

PROVIDENCE BUSINESS NEWS

HEADLINES: A RHODE ISLAND SUCCESS STORY

April 9, 2020



necessary to keep people safe," [Governor Raimondo] said. [Steven] King "We have been scouring the world for the critical supplies that are and the QDC are part of what Raimondo called a comprehensive

response to the anticipated surge of patients."

## **HEADLINES** (continued)



American Journal of Transportation

March 13, 2020

## **QUONSET'S STEVEN KING MAKES THE CASE FOR** PORT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

12 years. Based on Quonset's proven record of success, it is clear that this "Like Quonset, Davisville is a Rhode Island success story, supporting 'As you know, the port is one of the Top 10 auto importers in North over 1,500 Rhode Island jobs', Rep. Casimiro said in her testimony. America, and has broken its record for imports in 11 of the past investment in the Port Davisville is well worth making and I urge your support."

#### **PORT**STRATEGY INSIGHT FOR PORT EXECUTIVES

February 18, 2020

# **ONCE IN A GENERATION WIND OPPORTUNITY**

Davisville's specialty in automobile imports made it ideal for this role. Plans "Davisville, Rhode Island, Quonset Point (a one-time U.S. Navy air station) tower components and blades necessitated large open staging areas and exist for expansion at the port, with a proposal to invest \$90 million for at Narragansett Bay, was an assembly hub for the 30mW Block Island Wind project, which came online in late 2017. The dimensions of further site development."

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

Over 12,200 Employees: Over 180 employees were added to the employment count for the Quonset Business Park in 2020, due in large part to the opening of Infinity Meat Solutions.

#### **Major New Tenants:**

- opened in Fall 2020. In association with Cargill Protein, Infinity Meat Solutions provides · Infinity Meat Solutions: Infinity Meat Solutions, a subsidiary of Retail Business Services, the services company of Ahold Delhaze USA, 210,000 square foot facility Infinity Meat Solutions employed approximately 180 people, with over 500 additional packaged meat to Stop and Shop locations across the northeast. As of December 2020, employees expected to be added in 2021.
- formerly leased to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA), TGFOE's team of 26 employees designs, builds and operates robotic platforms that explore the The Global Foundation for Ocean Exploration (TGFOE): Now occupying the building most extreme underwater environments on the planet and shares their discoveries with the public through video.

Infinity Meat Solutions



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Company Expansions: Existing tenant companies have continued to invest in major expansions and improvements in the Business Park, including Electric Boat, Toray Plastics, NORAD, the Rhode Island Air National Guard and J. Goodison Company.

continues on AFC Phase II and EB is in the planning stages for two additional facilities at the Electric Boat continued campus-wide building construction improvements for a major facility expansion in support of the Columbia Class submarine model. Several facilities were completed in 2020, including the VPM Building, AFC Phase I, and Building 10A. Work Quonset Business Park.

#### Port Activity:

- Auto imports were heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. There was a 27% decrease in the number of autos processed at the Port from 2019, with 216,501 autos arriving via ship in 2020 and 30,823 arriving via rail and truck.
- Approximately 2,755 metric tons of project cargo were handled, a decrease of approximately 125 metric tons from 2019. .



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- **Gateway Offices:** Gateway Office #5 is nearing completion, with occupancy expected in early 2021.
- Flex Industrial Building #3, with 40,000 square feet of leasable space, represents a \$6.0 million investment. Leasing of Flex Building #3 has already begun.



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DINESS GROWIN		NOIES
Employees	12,282	Over 180 new jobs added in 2020
Businesses	209	The number of businesses remains steady

LAND MANAGEMENT		Notes
New Land Leased	15.9 acres	Gateway Office #5, Electric Boat (G2), Aetna Bridge Expansion
Land Sold by QDC	1.96 acres	Though QDC generally has a lease only policy, exceptions can be made when appropriate. QDC was in possession of a small piece of land in a residential neighborhood on Devil's Foot Road, and sold the land to a developer of affordable housing. This land has been removed from the Town of North Kingstown's Quonset Zoning District.
Land Purchased by QDC	0.0 acres	QDC sometimes repurchases land that becomes available
New Building Space Leased	86,661 sf	W. Davisville warehouses, four (4) Flex Building units, Gateway
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W. Davisville warehouses, Gateway offices

233,879 sf

**Building Lease Renewals** 



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NEW CONSTRUCTION	Square Feet of Building Space	Private Investment	Notes
Continued from 2019	757,700 sf	\$494.25 million	Infinity Meats, Electric Boat 9A/9B, Electric Boat VPM, Electric Boat 10A, NORAD Porsche Building, Flex Building 3, RI Army National Guard, Toray A6 expansion, Custom Design
Commenced in 2020	89,496 sf	\$187.6 million	Electric Boat AFC Phase II, Goodison, Gateway 5, Toray Nitrogen Plant,
TOTAL	848.015 sf	\$681.9 million	

INFRASTRUCTURE Infrastructure Projects (completed and in progress)	\$30.9 million	Notes See page 15
Grant Funding Administered \$5.	\$5.6 million	See page 16

PORT & RAIL ACTIVITY		Notes
Ship Calls	188	Down from 224 in 2019
New Vehicle Imports	247,324	Down from 338,447 in 2019
By Ship	216,501	Down from 296,706 in 2019
By Rail & Truck	30,823	Down from 41,741 in 2019
Non-Auto Cargo	2,755 metric tons	Down from 2,880 in 2019
Rail Cars	4,796	Of which, 1,878 were auto racks; down from 5,857 in 2019

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## **NEW COMPANIES**

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, some important new companies joined the Quonset Business Park in 2020, including:



Infinity Meat Solutions

- Infinity Meat Solutions completed construction of their new 210,000 square foot facility and opened for business in the Fall of 2020. Infinity Meat Solutions is a division of Ahold Delhaze operated by Cargill Protein, and currently has approximately 180 employees who supply packed meat products to Stop and Shop locations throughout the northeast. Employment is expected to grow to over 700 in 2021.
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- development at the Quonset Business Park. Ultralon Foam is a manufacturer of Ultralon Foam Group has become the latest tenant within the Flex Industrial polyethylene, ethylene vinyl acetate and specialty foam products. .

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The Quonset Business Park is bustling with construction activity, as many businesses are investing in improvements and expansion projects. Some of the major projects ongoing in 2020 include:

General Dynamics Electric Boat has invested a significant amount in construction of several new facilities and supporting infrastructure: .

Project	Square Feet	Status
Building 10A	29,128	ongoing from 2019
Building AFC Phase II	73,446	began in 2020

- NORAD, Inc. completed construction on a new 15,700 square foot facility for processing Porsche automobiles.
- Toray Plastics America continued its 75,000 square foot A6 expansion project.
- Custom Design, Inc. completed a 20,000 square foot warehouse expansion project.

NORAD, Inc. Porcshe Processing Facility



COMPANY EXPANSIONS (continued)

 The Rhode Island Air National Guard continued major renovation of several buildings on its campus, including the RIANG headquarters building, and the fire station.

## **QDC INITIATIVES**

### **PROJECTS COMPLETED IN 2020:**

Flex Industrial Building #3, with 40,000 square feet of leasable space, represents a \$6.0 million investment.

## **ONGOING PROJECTS BEGUN IN 2020:**

Gateway Offices Building #5, with 13,950 square feet of leasable space, represents a \$2.2 million investment. Leasing of the building at 30 Romano Vineyard Way as already begun.

#### **COVID-19 RESPONSE**

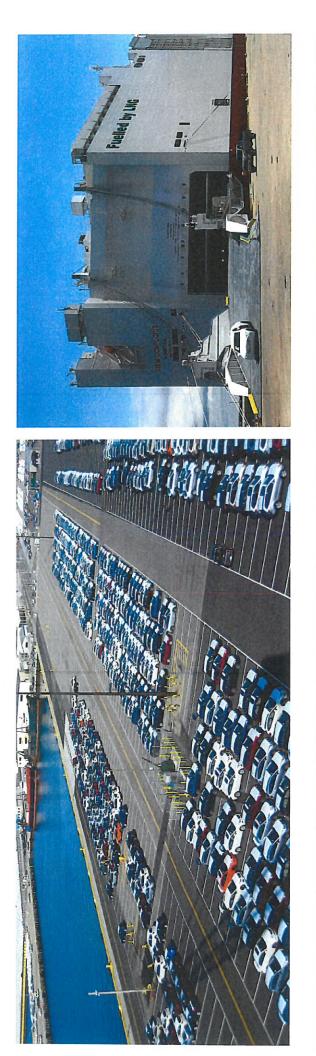
When the COVID-19 pandemic response began in March 2020, Governor Raimondo asked Managing Director Steven King to lead the State's effort to purchase personal protective equipment for front-line workers. Mr. King and the QDC staff dedicated countless hours to finding, vetting and acquiring these much needed supplies.

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NORAD, Inc., which operates from the Port of Davisville, processed 247,324 finished automobiles in 2020. The number of finished vehicles imported through the Port was heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

# of Vehicles	216,501	30,823	247,324
Import Method	Ship	Rail & Truck	Total

In total, the Port of Davisville had 188 ship calls. Approximately 2,755 metric tons of project cargo came through the Port of Davisville in 2020.



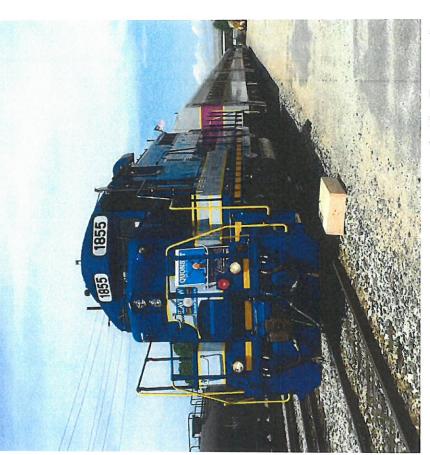
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**GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS** 



SeaView Transportation

In 2020, QDC moved forward with work on several grants awarded in the previous year, including:

• **Port Infrastructure Development Grant:** QDC was awarded an \$11.14 million grant from the USDOT Maritime Administration (MARAD) for the reconstruction of the south berth at Pier 1. QDC will match the grant with \$6.0 million, for a total project cost of \$17.14 million. The project formally kicked-off in late 2020, with design work to begin in 2021.

 CRISI Grant: Design has begun for the new Mill Creek Railyard, funded by a \$3 million grant from the Federal Railroad Administration with a \$1 million match from QDC. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2021. • FHWA/RIDOT Rail Safety Grants: \$2.1 million in funding has been authorized by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation for improvements to at-grade rail crossings at Compass Circle, Zarbo Avenue, Burlingham Avenue, Keel Street, Casey Avenue, Moscrip Avenue and MacNaught Street. Construction of the rail crossing improvements began in 2020 and will continue into 2021.

 Passenger Ferry Grant: Construction has been completed on the new bulkhead for RI Fast Ferry, funded by an award from RIPTA of a \$494,144 Federal Transit Administration grant. RI Fast Ferry provided the local match and QDC served as the Project Manager on behalf of RIPTA.

extend and modernize Pie extend and modernize Pie a General Obligation Bon Pier 2, supplemented with Fund (RICAP) and the Que	extend and modernize Pier 2 at the Port of Davisville. In 2016, Rhode Island voters approved a General Obligation Bond providing \$50 million for reconstruction and modernization of Pier 2, supplemented with additional funding from the State of Rhode Island Capital Plan Fund (RICAP) and the Quonset Development Corporation, via port users.	to reconstruct, oters approved odernization of nd Capital Plan
Calf Pasture	WORK COMPLETED PRIOR TO 2020	\$40 MILLION
Point	Trestle demolition	
Narragansett	Design and permitting of east face encapsulation	sulation
	Design and permitting of east face pier extension	ktension
	Construction of east and north faces	
EX.	Utility relocation	
AKEA	<ul> <li>Design and permitting of south face encapsulation</li> </ul>	psulation
PIER 2	WORK ONGOING IN 2020	\$36 MILLION
	<ul> <li>Dredging adjacent to the new pier extension</li> </ul>	ion
	Construction of south face	
Davisville	WORK TO BEGIN IN 2021	\$7.1 MILLION
	<ul> <li>Access control</li> </ul>	
and the second sec	Cathodetic protection	
	<ul> <li>Railroad improvements</li> </ul>	

# **PIER 2 EXTENSION & MODERNIZATION**

QDC is in the midst of an \$83.1 million, multi-year, multi-phased project to reconstruct,

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**UPCOMING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (2021)** 

The following projects are scheduled for construction in 2021:

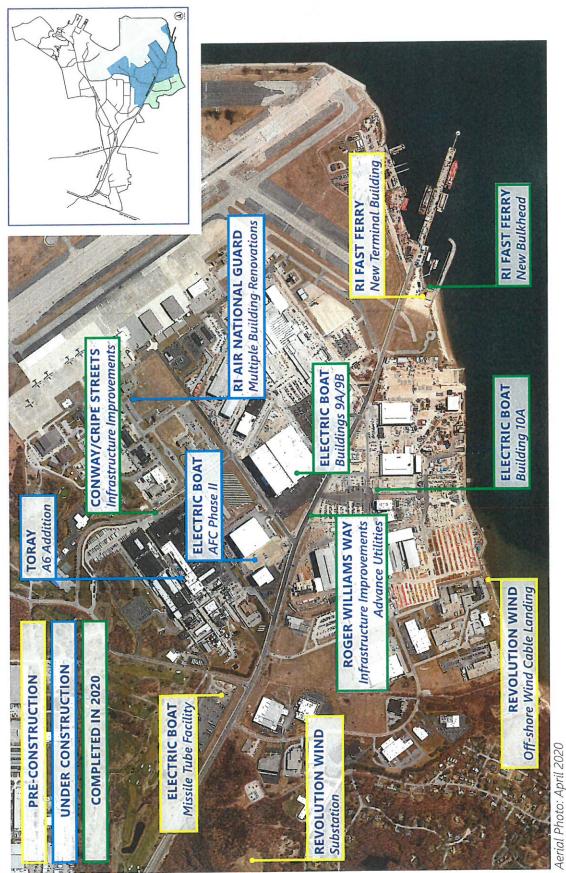
- Pier 1 south berth improvements;
- Terminal 5 expansion;
- Allen Harbor channel dredging;
- Little Allen Harbor bulkhead improvements;
- North Davisville site readiness improvements;
- Kent County Water Authority connection;

- Roger Williams Way sewer line trunk re-line;
- Wastewater pump station improvements;
- Water main/valve replacements;
- Water transmission system upgrades;
- 95 Cripe Street HVAC upgrades;
- DS-55 wet well sewer pump upgrade.



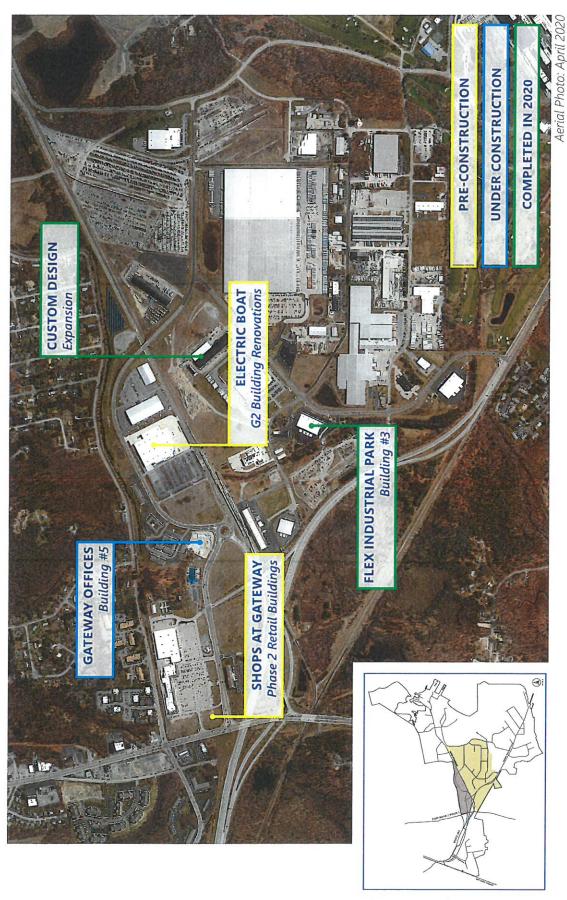
Shops at Quonset

**DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY: QUONSET & KIEFER PARK** 



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DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY: COMMERCE PARK & GATEWAY



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**DEVELOPMENTACTIVITY: N.DAVISVILLE&WATERFRONT** 



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Aerial Photo: April 2020



**DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY: W. DAVISVILLE** 

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## **OPPORTUNITIES & CHALLENGES**

## PLANNING FOR FUTURE GROWTH AT THE PORT OF DAVISVILLE

at Quonset and the Port through leaseholders of offshore wind development areas on the previous years showed record-breaking growth in both the import of finished automobiles Eastern Seaboard, as well as through companies in the offshore wind supply chain. QDC is in discussions with several companies in the offshore wind industry who require laydown Though the Port experienced a decline in activity this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in project cargo totals. Additionally, there is potential for an infusion of jobs and activity The Port of Davisville is an important marine transportation hub for the State of Rhode Island. space, warehousing and manufacturing facilities, and vessel berthing facilities.

off-shore wind related activity, QDC has developed the Port of Davisville Master Plan that will guide improvement efforts over the next ten (or more) years. The Port of Davisville Master Plan highlights the many improvements necessary to maintain the Port as a vibrant marine transportation hub, including identification of investment needs and potential areas In an effort to support the continued growth of existing industry while accomodating new for expansion. The Port of Davisville Master Plan includes a SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITY to capitalize on the job potential created by the off-shore wind industry, the Quonset Multi-modal Off-shore Wind Transport Center (QMTC). The QMTC will be a transportation hub for development, operations and maintenance of the off-shore wind farms planned for the waters off of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. QDC is working with one of the largest offshore wind developers to bring the QMTC to fruition.

grant by the U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD) to upgrade the south berth of Pier significant opportunity to enhance the service provided at the Port of Davisville. Rehabilitation The Port of Davisville Master Plan will be assisted by the recent award of an \$11.1 million 1. The grant funding will be matched with \$6.0 million in QDC funding and represents a

of this berth will provide more options for auto imports and project cargo, and will provide Also, QDC is working with one of the off-shore wind developers to determine how this berth can be designed to best support the transportation and freight needs of the off-shore wind additional flexibility for accomodating the needs of the burgeoning off-shore wind industry. industry

east berth. Ultimately, the addition of this new berth will allow for growth and expansion The Pier 2 Extension and Modernization Project, funded in part by a voter approved General Obligation Bond, RICAP and QDC, is in the final stages of construction. This project, which is considered the first phase of the Port of Davisville Master Plan, will allow auto imports and project cargo to continue uninterrupted due to the construction of the new of port business.

Plan is financing. While the majority of the needed funding for the Pier 2 project has improvements outlined in the Master Plan. The \$20.0 million bond that is slated for the The most SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGE to implementing the Port of Davisville Master been financed, and the south berth of Pier 1 will receive a boost from the MARAD grant, QDC needs to identify funding for the continued maintenance of Pier 1 and for the other 2021 special election will be critical to continue moving forward with the improvements outlined in the Master Plan.

#### **OTHER OPPORTUNITIES**

Quonset EXPRESS

as the Quonset Express or QX. The QX schedule was designed to accommodate shift times starting at 6:30 am and 7:00 am and ending at 3:00 pm and 3:30 pm. This work to improve the service, and are in ongoing discussions about additional service Quonset Express (QX) Service Enhancements: In January 2019, RIPTA and QDC partnered to initiate a bus service from the Providence metro area to the Park, known service is currently funded by a federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grant through RIPTA, with a 20% match provided by QDC. RIPTA and QDC continue to enhancements, including the addition of service to West Davisville and the new Infinity Meat Solutions facility.



- study, engineer and permit the deferred Route 403 ramps at the Quonset Business Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) planning grant to further Park and the missing I-95/Route 4 interchange. Both of these projects are identified impact" and there is a significant opportunity to capitalize on the federal investment by Planning for the Deferred Route 403 Ramps and the Missing I-95/Route 4 within the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as "projects of regional Interchange: RIDOT, in conjunction with QDC, applied for and received a USDOT programming State funding for construction.
- Site Readiness: Pre-engineered and pre-permitted parcels ranging from 2 to 42 acres and a streamlined development process are a tremendous opportunity and a proven method for attracting new companies and creating new jobs. This program allows for construction to begin in 90 days (or sooner) following the signing of a lease.

Finished Automobile Vessel at Pier 1



#### **OTHER CHALLENGES**

- Environmental remediation at both Quonset and parties are responsible for remediation based on the different military base closure rounds. Opportunities to develop North Davisville have been and will continue to be and RIDEM. As the approximately 163 acres of land involved cannot be transferred to Davisville is ongoing and is performed to commercial/industrial standards. Different impacted by the slow pace of Navy remediation activities and the requirements of EPA the QDC until remediation is substantially complete, it is still currently owned by the Environmental Remediation: federal government.
- regional transportation network. Though planning, engineering and permitting of the from the Business Park are critical to the Park's success, challenges still exist in the no funding has been identified for construction of these projects. QDC continues to freight scheduling windows on the Northeast Corridor are currently manageable, but Regional Transportation Issues: While strong transportation connections to and Height restrictions on new taller auto racks, HAZMAT restrictions in Providence, and deferred Route 403 ramps and the Interstate 95/Route 4 interchange has been funded, work with our state and federal partners to ensure safe and uninterrupted rail service. we will continue to monitor these issues.

West Davisville



**APPENDIX A: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

QUONSET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Ms. Nancy Beye President, Jamestown Town Council Town Hall 93 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835 Jtownelc@aol.com

Mark Baker 2 Baldwin Ct. POB 128 Jamestown, RI 02835 401-423-9621 / <u>mbaker@naturetours.com</u>

> January 14, 2021 By email and USPS

Dear Ms. Beye, President, Jamestown Town Council:

I am responding to the email message below by the Town Administrator, Mr. Hainsworth, referring to an email and letter that I sent in mid-December. I would like to request that the Jamestown Town Council suspend and reconsider the dramatic alteration of the mooring allocation schedule noted below and in the chain of emails. As the sequence of emails below indicate, I believe that while this new schedule is more convenient administratively, it will result in the loss to a percentage of residents of their mooring permits in which they have invested much time and in most cases thousands of dollars.

The deadline of January 31, 2021 for renewal of mooring permits is in the dead of winter, many months prior to the traditional beginning of the boating season, which is for many boaters, five or six months prior to boating. This exaggerated lead time ensures that those permit holders who are changing boats or plan to acquire boats will not have a RI registration in time for the end January deadline. Consequently they will lose the mooring permit. The enforcement method, forfeiture by registered mail in early February, also very poorly meshes with the schedule of many Jamestown residents resulting, again, in loss of moorings.

These are some of the circumstances under which permit holders will lose moorings as a result of this policy.

- 1) Permit holders that may be planning to change boats will not have the RI registration up to date in January and would consequently not be able to receive the mooring permit, resulting in forfeiture.
- 2) Permit holders that plan to acquire boats for the boating season will have great difficulty in doing so in January, in time enough to complete the next step of getting registration prior to the forfeiture deadline.
- 3) Permit holders that are unable to receive the threatening notices of forfeiture by registered mail, or are not able to attend any of the appeals meetings due to absence from Rhode Island, months prior to the boating season, will be unreasonably deprived of a public good for which they have invested time and also money.

Again, I would like to ask the Jamestown Town Council to suspend the implementation of this ill conceived policy, revert to previous years' policies, and bring this again before the public at a later time for discussion and debate. This is also, of course, a very bad time for this draconian policy to be implemented - during a pandemic and all the still greater obstacles that this presents to complying with this policy. I do not, however, suggest that an avenue be created for exceptions nor should a permit holder be expected to plead this important public policy question before the Jamestown Harbor Commission. Good policy should not require that reasonable circumstances require exceptions and should not be dependent on the judgment of appointed commissions.

In response to some points made by Mr. Hainsworth, I was not aware that this had been previously discussed previously by the Town Council and though there may have been "many opportunities for public comment" that does not mean. as we are all aware, that all policy is good policy. Nor does that mean that members of the public cannot be further heard on any matter of public policy. Though the point may not have been made in the council meetings when this policy was conceived, it should be noted that justifying the policy by way of saying that it is customary of commercial marinas ignores the fact that mooring permitting is a public good and the Town of Jamestown not a commercial enterprise. The considerations, responsibilities, and liabilities for allocation are very different. Further, the language of force employed is wholly inappropriate.

While the Town Council certainly has the prerogative to regulate mooring distribution, I believe that this policy will result in my losing of the mooring permits for which I have contracted with the Town of Jamestown for many years. As a result of the public health emergency, I am working remotely from Jamestown and with the implementation of this policy I will lose the mooring that I have had for many years, and also a mooring request for which I have waited many years to be awarded. Should this take place, much as I am reluctant to do so, in order to protect this investment and to seek a just and well considered method of distribution of this public good, I will find it necessary to seek relief through legal action.

Sincerely. Mark Baker 2 Baldwin Ct. PO Box 128, Jamestown

From: Jamie Hainsworth [mailto:jhainsworth@jamestownri.net] Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 8:44 AM To: Naturetours - Mark Cc: Nancy Beye (Jtownelc@aol.com); Erin Liese Subject: Harbor Mooring Ordinance

Mr. Baker, Good morning.

I appreciate your concerns and comments, as you probably are aware this new schedule is also regulated by ordinance. This change was proposed to the Harbor Commission in 2019, discussed during several of their public meetings and then adopted after required public notice, readings and hearing by the Town Council in early 2020. During these discussions there were many opportunities for public comment and as I recall there was some public comment supporting the passage, pointing to one of the advantages; this schedule aligns with what the commercial marinas require of their customers.

Please contact me at anytime if you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jamie A. Hainsworth

Jamie A. Hainsworth Town Administrator Town of Jamestown 93 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, RI 02835 401-423-9805 From: Naturetours - Mark <mbaker@naturetours.com> Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 5:13 PM To: Jamie Hainsworth <jhainsworth@jamestownri.net> Subject: Harbor Decree

Mr. Jamie Hainsworth Town Administrator 93 Narragansett Ave., 2nd Floor Jamestown, RI 02835 jhainsworth@jamestownri.net

Mark Baker PO Box 128 Jamestown, RI 02835

December 15, 2020

(By email and USPS)

RE: Decree of New Mooring Policy

Dear Mr. Hainsworth:

I am a resident of Jamestown and a mooring permit holder. I am writing to request that the recently announced policy of severely restricting the administrative window for mooring renewals be rescinded. This early deadline places an unreasonable burden on residents and will have the negative consequence of forcing some residents to relinquish moorings that have entailed a considerable investment in money and an extraordinary amount of time.

The requirement that all moorings be renewed by February places a very onerous burden on existing permit holders to make concrete arrangements a full six months before the traditional start of the boating season. For those that have existing permits but who may be changing the boat to go on the mooring, this deadline in the middle of winter will make it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to get a boat registration in time. The consequence is an unreasonable revoking the right to a public resource, a mooring in Jamestown.

While it is true that the existing grace periods may result in some moorings going unused, that does not justify the what amounts to a revoking, a taking, by the harbor authority of a public benefit. To see the grace period as a question of leniency is a misreading of the purpose and function of these regulations, as well as the prerogatives of the harbor authority. The policies are to fairly and equitably distribute a public resource in a way that serves the source of authority, which is the public. Efficiency in the form of decrees does not equate to equitable distribution or public service. Furthermore, the prerogatives of the harbor authority really cannot be extended to a taking from residents of a public resource without debate or even the process of litigation by the proper judicial authorities.

I respectfully request that this policy be withdrawn.

Sincerely

Mark Baker 2 Baldwin Ct. Jamestown

CC: Ms. Nancy Beye President Jamestown Town Council 93 Narragansett Ave. Jamestown, RI 02835

c/o Town Clerk eliese@jamestownri.net Tim Lemire 78 Grand View St. Providence, RI 02906 Jan. 23, 2021

Nancy A. Beye President, Town Council 93 Narragansett Ave. Jamestown, RI 02835

Dear Ms. Beye:

I'd first like to say Happy New Year and extend to you every wish that you and your loved ones are safe and healthy during this trying time of the pandemic.

Did you get to see your children over the holidays?

Did all the children you know get to see their parents?

I'd like to call your attention to the fact that there are children in Rhode Island who *didn't* get to see a parent for the holidays—and not because of COVID-19 or because the parent is in jail or in rehab or because the parent is "bad."

It's because of high-conflict divorce and parental alienation.

This is something happening right here, in Rhode Island—in your community, among your constituents. If you haven't heard of it happening, I submit that it's because parents find this extremely painful to discuss, and often, they mistakenly believe there's nothing elected officials can do to help.

But something can be done.

Included with this letter is a checklist of simple and easy things to do, to help children and parents of divorce and separation in our state. I've sent it to every mayor and town council president in Rhode Island, as well as to every state legislator, and to our acting governor.

I encourage you to have a look and see how many items you can check off in 2021.

Thank you for your time, and again: Best wishes to you, your family, and your loved ones.

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Tim Lemire



These action items are easy to do and don't require any financial expense or special access to information. In 2021, check off all these items, or some, or even one—but please: don't do none. Seeing to it that state law benefits children and parents of divorce and separation is a **bipartisan**, **pro-family** issue.

Google **MA Standing Order 4-08** — and read it. In the early 1990s, the Massachusetts State Legislature empowered their Family Court to create, in one county, a pilot program of parenting education. The success of that program expanded county by county until Order 4-08 was put into effect. These educational conferences give divorcing parents information and guidance to help reduce the stress of divorce on their children.

What's preventing Rhode Island from having an order like this, to help children and their parents?

Google **RI COPES** — and visit the website of Rhode Island Co-Parenting Education Services. In nearly all US states, independent providers like RI COPES help guide and inform parents of divorce and separation.

Why can't R.I. Family Court partner with independent providers to help parents in this way, as Family Courts do in so many other US states?

If you know someone who is a school teacher, guidance counselor, school nurse, coach, social worker, therapist, school psychologist, or adolescent psychiatrist, talk to those people and ask:

"What effect do you see divorce having on the children or teenagers you encounter in your line of work?"

#### **REMEMBER:**

While divorcing parents of kids under 18 are required by law in more than a dozen US states to take some kind of education module on the effects of divorce on children, divorcing parents in Rhode Island do not have to take a class, watch a video, or a read a pamphlet—and the people who pay the biggest price for that are **children**. It does *not* have to be this way.

If you know someone who works with young people dealing with substance abuse, self-harm, depression, anxiety, eating disorders, or school problems like truancy or behavioral issues, talk to those people and ask:

"What role do you see divorce having on the children or teenagers you encounter in your line of work?"

If you know parents among your friends, family, or coworkers who have been divorced in Rhode Island and they're willing to talk with you about their experience, ask those people:

"During the divorce process, what specifically did Rhode Island Family Court do to help your child?"

Google **KY House Bill 528** — and read it. Shared parenting laws equitably divide responsibility and time with children between parents *and* have reportedly reduced Family Court caseloads in Kentucky.

What's preventing Rhode Island from having shared parenting laws, as 13 other US states do?

Post your thoughts on this topic on social media, inviting your contacts to share their experience and opinion.

Contact the Governor and your state reps to tell them what you think about this issue.

Make a copy of this checklist and give it to someone you know, so that they can complete it.

To download a copy of this checklist, visit timlemire.com/activism