**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**

**June 21, 2021**

# ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council was held on June 21, 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(833)-548-0276 Meeting ID 99669392712. To participate by computer or mobile app: https://zoom.us/j/99669392712**.** Town Council Members present were as follows: Nancy A. Beye, Erik G. Brine, Michael G. White and Randy White. Absent, Vice President Meagher. 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 Denise Jennings, Water & Sewer Clerk

# CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Beye called the meeting of the Jamestown Town Council to order at 6:31 p.m. held via Zoom, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

See Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

## Approval of Minutes; review, discussion and/or action and/or vote

#### May 17, 2021 (regular meeting)

## Open Forum – Water & Sewer Matters

### 1) Scheduled request to address - none

### 2) Non-scheduled request to address

## Report of Town Officials:

1. Pumping Report
2. Town Project Reports

a) Town Wells

1. Water Treatment Plant

##### Transfer Pumping/Reservoir

##### Distribution System

##### Wastewater Treatment Facility

#### Consumer Confidence Report for Calendar Year 2020

#### Public Works Director’s Report regarding East Shore Road/Seaview Avenue water line extension applications

## Communications

#### Copy of Letter to: Town Council

From: Richard A. Boren, Esq., Savage Law Partners

Dated: June 4, 2021

#### Re: Application of Christina Paolino (applicant) and Joseph Paolino (owner) requesting water line extension, heard before the Town Council Sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners on May 17, 2021

## Unfinished Business

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the application of Christina Paolino (applicant) and Joseph Paolino (owner) for Plat 7 Lot 86, 68 East Shore Road for water line extension (continued from May 17, 2021)

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the application of Glen and Marjorie Andreoni (owners) for Plat 7 Lot 34, 10 Seaview Avenue, for water line extension (continued from May 17, 2021)

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the application of John and Julie Shekarchi (owners) for Plat 7 Lot 88, 20 Seaview Avenue, for water line extension (continued from May 17, 2021)

## New Business

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the application of Sandra Nardolillo (owner) for Plat 7 Lot 90, 72 East Shore Road, for water line extension

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the application of Jeffrey and Debby Saletin (owners) for Plat 7 Lot 135, 14 Sea View Avenue for water line extension

## The Town Council Adjourns from sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

**A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor Brine to adjourn from sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

1. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

***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:***

## Presentation by Jamestown resident Sharon Gold regarding “Vehicle Idling Project”

Sharon Gold of Conanicus Avenue gave a presentation on the detriments of car idling. Ms. Gold hopes to educate the community on the dangers associated with car idling by knocking on the windows of 10 occupied idling cars a day. Ms. Gold hopes for the Town to have designated idle free zones.

**A motion was made by Councilor Brine with second by Councilor M. White to sit as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

1. **PUBLIC HEARINGS, LICENSES AND PERMITS**

***The Town Council will review each license application and vote on it individually. All approvals for licenses and permits are subject to the resolution of debts, taxes and appropriate signatures as well as, when applicable, proof of insurance. 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:***

## Town Council Sitting as the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Board

Notice is hereby given by the Town Council of the Town of Jamestown, being the Licensing Board in said Town as provided under Title 3, Chapters 1-12 of the General Laws of Rhode Island 1956, and as amended.

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote for Renewal of Approval of Requests for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications in accordance to R.I.G.L 3-5-17, for service and consumption areas valid with Special Event Application of the Chamber of Commerce for Dine Out Event in response to COVID- 19; with proposed Extension to July 22, 2021 unless revoked earlier:

##### KALI LLC dba: J22 Tap & Table, 22 Narragansett Ave.

##### Jamestown Beer Holdings LLC dba: The Generals Crossing, 34 Narragansett Avenue

##### Jamestown Locals LLC dba: Narragansett Café, 25 Narragansett Avenue

##### Johnny Angels Clam Shack LLC dba: Angels Kitchen, 23B Narragansett Avenue

**A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White for the Renewal of Approval of the Requests for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications for J22 Tap & Table; Narragansett Café; and Angels Kitchen Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

#### Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote for Renewal of Approval of KALI LLC dba: J22 Tap & Table for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Applications in accordance to R.I.G.L 3-5-17, for service and consumption areas to include property contingent on lease agreement with REGNUM LLC, located at 20 Narragansett Avenue; with proposed Extension to July 22, 2021 unless revoked earlier.

**A motion was made by Council M. White with second by Councilor R. White to Approve the Renewal of KALI LLC dba: J22 Tap & Table for Temporary Seasonal Expansion of Existing Liquor License Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

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

## Event/Entertainment License Application: All event license application approvals are subject to any and all COVID-19 protocols in affect at the time of the event; Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the following:

#### Applicant: Kenneth Weiner

Event: Air Force Gathering

Date: July 31, 2021

Location: Fort Getty Pavilion

##### Letter of request for waiver of the Pavilion rental fee

**A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor Brine to waive the Fort Getty Pavilion fee for Kenneth Weiner’s event application for the Air Force Gathering. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

#### Applicant: Jamestown Community Chorus

Event: Community Chorus Concert

Date: July 5, 2021

Location: Veterans’ Square

**A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White to approve the application for the Jamestown Community Chorus Concert. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

#### Applicant: Greg Hunter, Jamestown Yacht Club

Event: Fools’ Rules Regatta

Date: August 14, 2021

Location: East Ferry Beach

**A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor Brine to approve the application for the Fool’s Rules Regatta Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

#### Applicant: Jamestown School Department

Event: 8th Grade Graduation Dance

Date: June 24, 2021

Location: Lawn Avenue School Ballfield Tent

1. **COUNCIL, ADMINISTRATOR, SOLICITOR, COMMISSION/COMMITTEE COMMENTS & REPORTS**

***Please Note the Following Items are Status Reports and Matters of Interest to the Council and are for Informational Purposes unless Indicated Otherwise and will be Acted upon in Accordance with Section 42-46-6 (b)***

## Town Administrator’s Report: Jamie A. Hainsworth

#### Covid-19 and ARP

#### Jamestown PSA – Full Property Revaluation for 2021

#### Request from Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation for Pilot Program – Fort Getty Sail Boat Rentals (Agenda Item)

#### Jamestown Farmers Market – Request for 2021 Opening (Consent Agenda Item)

Administrator Hainsworth reported on the following:

There have been (0) positive cases of COVID-19 in the last 2 weeks.

PSA from the Tax Assessor, property revaluations will begin next week. Northeast Revaluation will be working throughout the community.

The Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation has requested to begin a pilot program of renting Hobie sail boats at Fort Getty beginning July 5th, 2021.

The Jamestown Farmer’s Market will resume at the Recreation Center beginning Monday June 28, 2021, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

1. **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:***

## Upcoming Meetings and Sessions – dates and times

#### Town Council Special Meeting – Thursday, July 1, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

#### Town Council Regular Meeting – Monday, July 19, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.

#### Town Council Regular Meeting – Monday, August 16, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.

#### Town Council Regular Meeting – Tuesday, September 7, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.

# 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:***

## Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote on the Proposal for a Community Wood-Fired Oven by Andrea Colognese and Doriana Carella

This was asked by the Applicants to be continued.

## Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote to increase the number of Members of the Affordable Housing Committee by One (1), from Seven (7) Members to Eight (8) Members, with a three-year term ending date of May 31, 2024

**A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White to increase the number of Members of the Affordable Housing Committee by One (1) Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

## Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote regarding the RI Department of Transportation initiative to take responsibility for ownership, maintenance and billing of streetlights located on State roads within the Town of Jamestown: Public Works Director Michael C. Gray

Public Works Director Michael Gray clarified the State will assume ownership, maintenance and energy costs for the lights on State roads once they have been converted.

**A motion was made by Councilor M. White with second by Councilor Brine regarding the RI Department of Transportation initiative that will allow them to take responsibility for ownership, maintenance and billing of streetlights located on State roads within the Town of Jamestown. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

## Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote regarding the Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for 2022-2031, with review and recommendations for project priority to Rhode Island Division of Statewide Planning

#### Memorandum of Town Planner Lisa W. Bryer

Town Planner Lisa Bryer provided a Memorandum dated June 16, 2021. The memorandum included 9 projects currently listed on with STIP – Rhode Island State Transportation Improvement Project. Ms. Bryer noted that the Town Council and Representative Ruggiero had prioritized the North Road Bridge. The Town Council had no questions or comments.

## Review, Discussion and/or Action and/or Vote regarding the request of Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation (CISF) to allow renting of Hobie’s Sail Boats at Fort Getty as a pilot program on Monday evenings and Sunday afternoons from July 5 to August 31, 2021.  Authorize the Town Administrator to sign a Memorandum of Agreement By and Between the Town of Jamestown and the Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation.

**A motion was made by Councilor Brine with second by Councilor R. White to allow the renting of Hobie Sail Boats at Fort Getty as a pilot program by CISF beginning July 5, 2021. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

# 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:***

## Appointments, Vacancies and Expiring Terms; review, discussion, and/or action and/or vote

#### Jamestown Fire Department Compensation Committee (Two [2] Citizen-at-Large Representatives with an unexpired term ending date of May 31, 2023 and an unexpired term ending May 31, 2024); duly advertised

1. No applicants for Citizen-at-Large Representative

#### Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee (One [1] vacancy with a three-year term ending date of May 31, 2024); duly advertised;

##### Letter of interest for appointment received; interview conducted

1. Michael Liebhauser

**A motion was made by Councilor R. White with second by Councilor M. White to appoint Michael Liebhauser to the Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

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

# 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.***

## Adoption of Town Council Minutes

#### June 8, 2021 (Special Meeting)

## Minutes of Boards/Commissions/Committees

#### Planning Commission (March 3, 2021)

#### Planning Commission (March 17, 2021)

#### Planning Commission (April 7, 2021)

#### Planning Commission (May 5, 2021)

## Approval of 2021 Memorandum of Agreement By and Between the Town of Jamestown and the Jamestown Farmer’s Market, with Authorization for signing by Town Administrator Hainsworth

**A motion was made by Councilor Brine with second by Councilor M. White to approve the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Town of Jamestown and the Jamestown Farmer’s Market Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

President Beye acknowledged the communications.

# 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.***

## Communications Received:

1. Copy of Email to: Town Administrator

From: Bernie Courtney

Dated: June 4, 2021

Re: Request for mandatory National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials Training and Certification for all members of the Jamestown Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, with a copy of the N.A.H.R.O certification application

#### Copy of Letter to: Town Solicitor and Town Council President

From: Bradford Whitman

Dated: June 8, 2021

Re: Letter sent to Harbormaster Skalubinski regarding large wooden raft moored at Mackerel Cove under a permit from the previous Harbormaster, with Attorney General Neronha’s letter to CRMC Chair Cervenka regarding their decision on the Petition of Jamestown Boat Yard, Docket No. 2019-06-014 and agency proceedings

#### Copy of Email to: Bradford Whitman

From: Police Chief Edward A. Mello

Dated: June 15, 2021

Re: Answer to Complaint filed by Mr. Whitman regarding swim platforms, floating docks, moorings and CRMC Regulations

#### Copy of Public Service Announcement to: Jamestown residents and businesses

#### From: Tax Assessor Christine Brochu

Dated: June 16, 2021

Re: Full Revaluation Project for 2021

# 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.***

## Scheduled request to address - none

## Non-scheduled request to address

No requests to address the Town Council were made.

# ADJOURNMENT

**A motion was made by Councilor Brine with second by Councilor M. White to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Vote: President Beye, Aye; Vice President Meagher, Aye; Councilor Brine, Aye; Councilor M. White, Aye; Councilor R. White, Aye**

Attest:

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Denise Gamon, Town Clerk’s Assistant