JAMESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION Tuesday October 19, 2021 6:30 PM MEETING AGENDA

Jamestown Town Hall

Council Chambers, 93 Narragansett Avenue Jamestown, Rhode Island 02835



THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO OBSERVE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DELIBERATIONS OF THIS MEET-ING, IN PERSON @ TOWN HALL.

EVEN IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED, WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU PLEASE WEAR A MASK AT TOWN HALL.

I. ROLL CALL and CALL TO ORDER

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Review July 20, 2021 Regular Meetings Minutes review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

III. OPEN FORUM

- A) Scheduled request to address:
- B) Non-scheduled request to address:

IV. CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS

A) JCC letter thanking and recognizing Largess Forestry for generous donation of services for tree removal of a large fallen tree blocking the trail at the Conanicut Island Sanctuary Trail (CIST)

V. CRMC, RIDEM AND TOWN OF JAMESTOWN ORDINANCE REVIEW

A) Section 308; review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote concerning state RIDEM wetland setbacks. Revised Freshwater Wetlands Rules have been finalized and will go into effect on January 15, 2022: http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/water/permits/pn-wetland.php

Summary of Revisions:

http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/water/permits/fresh/pdfs/fwwrsummary.pdf

B) CRMC: October 2021 calendar: http://www.crmc.ri.gov/calendars/2021 10.html

VI. OLD BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

 A) Rights of Way/Parks/Greenways & Public Access: Land Protection and Stewardship: Review any updates on the 91 Carr Lane Mixed -Income Development project proposal. Review/discuss any updates/plans on Wickford Avenue ROW (possibly applying for trail grant for access stairway at Wickford Ave) and Hull Cove Trail ROW (L. Orsi). Update on Hull Cove trail plans for construction of a boardwalk with the Grant \$ the Town received from RI DEM (A. Kuhn-Hines) Review/discuss Hull Street buffer violations in the ROW and Town/CRMC action. Review/Discuss report on Town Meeting with

Jamestown Conservation Commission Meeting Agenda 10-19-21 Page 1 of 2 representatives from Friends of Jamestown ROW & Streets, JCC, Town staff, CRMC, and Save the Bay held on September 29, 2021 (J. Antoniello, B. Lundy). Discuss Steamboat Street Proposal- creating dead ends in the middle of Steamboat Street and allowing the dirt portions of the street to revert to wetlands (A. Kuhn-Hines).

- B) Continue discussion on coordinating and collaborating with the JTN Tree Committee which is developing a walking "tree tour trail map" for significant, notable trees in the town area and conducting a tree inventory across the island. The JCC will discuss how (and who) to coordinate with the Tree Committee on collaborating and incorporating the "tree tour trail map" into the revised/updated JCC Trail map. Continue discussion on the possibility of using professional high quality drone aerial imagery for portions of the Trail map (e.g., Godena Farm, Parker Farm, other trail locations) (B. Lundy). Good quality aerial photos might be useful for display board at events, Earth day, festivals, or Chamber events in Town in the future. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- C) Public education: Update and continue discussing the coordination of future initiatives and cross community-wide collaborative coordination for environmental education with other JTN groups: e.g., Sustainable Jamestown, JAC, Conanicut Island Sailing Foundation, Taylor Point Restoration Association, etc. (Susan Shim Gorelick, JCC) <u>https://www.cc4es.org/</u>. Environmental education outreach initiatives could include water conservation, eco-friendly yard care, feeding wildlife, invasive plant control, dog waste/watershed protection; stormwater protection; coastal resiliency; community composting, etc. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- D) Harbor Management Commission (G. Souza). Update
- E) Tree Committee (G. Souza). Update
- F) Taylor Point Restoration Association (G. Souza). Update

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A) Next JCC Meeting: November 9, 2021.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website October 14, 2021