# JAMESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 6:30 PM



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

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

## I. ROLL CALL and CALL TO ORDER

Warm Welcome to Jeff Boal to the Conservation Commission!! Welcome Aboard!!

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A) Review December 12, 2023, Regular Meetings Minutes, Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

## III. OPEN FORUM

- A) Scheduled request to address: none scheduled
- B) Non-scheduled request to address

## IV. CORRESPONDENCE AND BILLS

A) Invoice for \$685 from M.P. Dutton for annual mowing of the meadow at Conanicut Island Sanctuary Trail. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote

## V. CRMC, RIDEM AND TOWN OF JAMESTOWN ORDINANCE REVIEW

- A) January 2024 CRMC calendar: http://www.crmc.ri.gov/calendars/2024 01.html
- B) CRMC Aquaculture application (2023-10-067) to grow Sugar Kelp off Dutch Island from November 1<sup>st</sup>-May 1<sup>st</sup> annually; Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) Rights of Way/Parks/Greenways/Trails/Open Space & Public Access: Land Protection and Stewardship: Any updates on ROWs surveys/findings/maps/report produced by JCC (Bob Laman), Harbor Management Commission (HMC) and JTN Friends of ROWs & Roads. Review and discuss feedback from Town Council and HMC regarding JCC's proposal to take on "Ownership/Stewardship/Responsibility" with oversight of JTN ROWs, ROW surveys, and the update to the 2013 ROW report (Bob Laman). Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote. Update on

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- funding options (the JCC is allowed to solicit tax-deductible donations for a capital project) to make the Kit Wright Trail wheelchair accessible from the north end of the trail to the viewing platform (A. Kuhn-Hines). Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote. Discussion of the JTN Press article regarding the leadership role for ROWs and initiative to develop a Town-wide outreach education platform/forum for sustainability in Jamestown (J. Antoniello). Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- B) Review and discuss the Jamestown proposed Zoning Ordinance discussion relative to Communication Towers and Open Space (see Table 6-1 page 49), <a href="https://www.jamestownri.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/81185/63839441">https://www.jamestownri.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/81185/63839441</a> <a href="https://www.jamestownri.gov/home/showpublis
- C) Continue discussing any updates and planning for long-term plans for planting American beach grass (*Ammophila breviligulata*) and other dune plant species at the JTN Community Farm for sustainable annual dune replenishment at Mackerel Cove and other sites across the island. Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- D) Update on distribution of the new Conanicut Island Trail Guides, location of distribution boxes, collection of proceeds, etc. (B. Lundy) Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- E) Earth Day Fair planning for 2024 (possibly Saturday April 20, 2024) (B. Lundy) Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- F) Public education: Update/discuss feedback on the initiative to develop a Townwide outreach education platform/forum for sustainability in Jamestown and provide any related updates (S. Shim-Gorelick and JCC members) Review, discussion and/or potential action and/or vote.
- G) Harbor Management Commission update (Bob Laman)
- H) Tree Committee update (B. Lundy)
- I) Gould Island Restoration Advisory Board- update (Leo Orsi)
- J) Jamestown Affordable Housing Committee-update (S. Shim-Gorelick)
- K) Jamestown Bike Path Committee (J. Antoniello)

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

A) Next scheduled meeting, February 13, 2024.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Posted on the RI Secretary of State website January 5, 2024

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