



Johnston Town Council

1385 Hartford Avenue, Johnston, RI

Town Council Agenda

June 11, 2018

Johnston Municipal Court Building

Council President Anthony A. Verardo called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. at the Johnston Municipal Court Building located at 1600 Atwood Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919

Town Sergeant Stephen Mallane led with the Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Please note: pursuant to *Rule 3 Section E* of the Town Council Rules, adopted by Resolution 2017-4, the Council shall adjourn at 10:30 p.m. and any unfinished business shall be carried to the fourth Monday of the month or to a date agreed upon by the Council.

Roll Call

District 1 – Councilman Richard J. DelFino III
District 2 – Council President Anthony A. Verardo
District 3 – Council Vice President David J. Santilli
District 4 – Councilman Robert V. Russo
District 5 – Councilman Robert J. Civetti

All Councilmembers were present

Also present were, Dylan Conley, Esq., Vincent P. Baccari, Jr. and Donna Dumont, stenographer

Award & Recognition Ceremonies

Status on Public Hearings

Ordinance 2018-3

An Ordinance amending Chapter 340-4 of the Town of Johnston Code of Ordinances entitled “Definitions and Word Usage”. Said Ordinance adds a definition for “Room Reseller”

Pending Planning Board Advisory Opinion

Ordinance 2018-1

An Ordinance amending Chapter 192 of the Town of Johnston Code of Ordinances entitled “Hotel Motel and Rooming House Registrants. Said Ordinance adds “Room Sellers” to the chapter

Pending Ordinance 2018-3

Ordinance 2018-2

An Ordinance adding Chapter 265 of the Town of Johnston Code of Ordinances entitled “Residential Unit Offered for Tourist or Transient Use. Said Ordinance sets provisions for room rentals

Pending Ordinance 2018-3

Ordinances to be Read

Licenses

2018-CP-84 **AAA Mold Restoration Services / Location: 1 Normandy Street
Business Operating License- Phone Calls Only
No Foot Traffic
Continued from May 14, 2018**

Applicant not present
Councilman Russo made a motion to remove 2018-CP-84 from the agenda
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-98 **Dream Hookah / Location: 1395 Atwood Avenue, Suite 209B
Business Operating License-
Hookah supplies and accessories
Continued from May 14, 2018**

Rendyi Santos present
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-98
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-99 **Dream Hookah / Location: 1395 Atwood Avenue, Suite 209B
Tobacco License-
Continued from May 14, 2018**

Rendyi Santos present
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-99
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-105 **Walgreens Eastern CO, Inc d/b/a Rite Aid #10260 / Location: 1459
Atwood Avenue
Business Operating License-
Holiday Sales-
Retail Drug and Sundries**

Katherine Davis present
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-105
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-106 **Walgreens Eastern CO, Inc d/b/a Rite Aid #10260 / Location: 1459
Atwood Avenue
Tobacco License-**

Katherine Davis present
Russo Councilman made a motion to grant 2018-CP-106
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-107 **Compressor Air Power/ Location: 31 Almond Drive
Business Operating License- Phone Calls Only
E-commerce- Internet Based**

Justin Marshall present
Councilman Civetti made a motion to grant 2018-CP-107
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-108

**Lotus Nail Lounge/ Location: 39 Putnam Avenue
Business Operating License-
Holiday Sales-
Nail Salon**

Chanda Hal present
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-108
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-109

**Alosio Group, LLC d/b/a Classic Express Ice Cream Cafe / Location:
1208 Atwood Avenue
Business Operating License-
After Hours License-
Holiday Sales-
Ice cream and Coffee Shop**

Gregory Aloisio and Nicholas Guttieri, Esq. present
Discussion ensued regarding the after hours license
Councilman Santilli made a motion to grant 2018-CP-109 with the stipulation that the After Hours License is granted with a 2-month review before the Council from the date of opening
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-110

**Creatively Speaking Poetry in Art / Location: 11 Clifton St.
Business Operating License- Phone Calls Only
Home Based Business-Original Poetic Verse and Inspirational Quotes**

Pam McIntosh present
Councilman Santilli made a motion to grant 2018-CP-110
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-111

**Michelle L. McGuire LMHC/ Location: 1395 Atwood Avenue, Ste 209D
Business Operating License-
Mental Health Counseling**

Applicant not present
Councilman Russo made a motion to continue 2018-CP-111 to the July 9, 2018 meeting
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-112

**DRSM Mart, LLC d/b/a DRSM Mart/ Location: 2701 Hartford Ave
Business Operating License- Transfer
Holiday Sales-
Gas Station and Convenience Store**

Danish Rahat present
Councilman Civetti made a motion to grant 2018-CP-112
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-113

**DRSM Mart, LLC d/b/a DRSM Mart/ Location: 2701 Hartford Ave
Tobacco License-
Gas Station and Convenience Store**

Danish Rahat present
Councilman Civetti made a motion to grant 2018-CP-113
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-114

**Pat's Auto Sales, Auto body, Inc./ Location: 363 George Waterman Road
Business Operating License- Transfer
Used Car Sales License-
Auto body License-
Auto Sales and Auto body**

Applicant not present
Councilman Russo made a motion to continue 2018-CP-114 to the July 9, 2018 meeting
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-116

**Cigna Onsite Health, LLC/ Location: 735 Greenville Avenue
Business Operating License-
Employee Health Services; Limited to Citizen's Bank employees**

Jenine Seckenya present
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-116
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-117

**One Love Transports/ Location: 214 Constitution Court, #202
Business Operating License- Phone Calls Only
Long Hauls From New Jersey to Massachusetts-Phone Calls Only**

Almarie Smith present
Brief discussion ensued
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-117
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-CP-118

**Elysian Beauty Studio/ Location: 1450 Atwood Ave, Unit 8
Business Operating License-
Hair Salon/Beautician**

Sara Bruno present
Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-CP-118
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

At this time Councilman Russo made a motion to entertain 2018-CP-8 at this time
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0
2018-CP-8 was continued to the July 9, 2018 meeting

Liquor Licensing Commission

Councilman Russo made a motion to sit as the Johnston Liquor Licensing Commission
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

2018-L-3

**St. Rocco Church / Location: 927 Atwood Ave
Special Class F Liquor License
Annual Church Festival-August 16th-19th, 2018**

Councilman Santilli made a motion to grant 2018-L-3

The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo

Motion carried; Vote 5-0

Councilman Russo made a motion to sit back as the Johnston Town Council

The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli

Motion carried; Vote 5-0

Constituent Requests

District 1:

Councilman DeFino requested to have the brush trimmed on Old Simmonsville Rd, Filmore Rd, Peck Hill Rd, Shun Pike and Rockcrest Lane

Councilman DeFino also requested to have the Police visit the elderly resident at 1251 Plainfield Street to discuss possible parking restrictions

District 3:

None

District 4:

Councilman Russo made a motion to request the installation of a stop sign at the intersection at Lyman on Springfield and also at the end of Lyman Avenue where it intersects Springfield and to also place a sign at the top of Lyman Avenue stating "Bike Path Parking on Hillside Avenue"

The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti

Motion carried; Vote 5-0

District 5:

Councilman Civetti congratulated all of the 2018 graduates

Councilman Civetti requested a schedule for street sweeping, spoke about the claim process for the Greenville Avenue repaving project and the status of the entrance cleanup at the entrance of Poppy Hill Farms

District 2:

Council President Verardo requested to have the trees on Homeland Street inspected to determine if they are Town owned and if so, to have them trimmed

Unfinished Business

New Business

Resolution 2018-15

A Resolution in opposition to H-7198 and H-7379, an act relating to Labor and Labor Relations-Arbitration-Continuance of Contractual Provisions

Dylan Conley discussed the legislation

Councilman Civetti made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-15

The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo

Roll call vote:

District 1: Aye

District 3: Aye

District 4: Aye

District 5: Aye

District 2: Aye

Motion carried: Vote 5-0

Resolution 2018-16 **A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a third party agreement for administrative services relating to Police Officers that are injured while on duty**

Dylan Conley discussed the agreement
Councilman Russo made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-16
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Roll call vote:
District 1: Aye
District 3: Aye
District 4: Aye
District 5: Aye
District 2: Aye
Motion carried: Vote 5-0

Resolution 2018-17 **A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a third party agreement for administrative services relating to Firefighters that are injured while on duty**

Dylan Conley discussed the agreement
Councilman Civetti made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-17
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Roll call vote:
District 1: Aye
District 3: Aye
District 4: Aye
District 5: Aye
District 2: Aye
Motion carried: Vote 5-0

Resolution 2018-18 **A Resolution ratifying an agreement between Diprete Engineering and the Town for Sewer Evaluation Services**

Councilman Civetti made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-18
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Roll call vote:
District 1: Aye
District 3: Aye
District 4: Aye
District 5: Aye
District 2: Aye
Motion carried: Vote 5-0

Resolution 2018-19 **A Resolution awarding the bid and authorizing the purchase of three 2017 Ford F-550 Trucks and one 2017 Ford F-250 Truck**

Councilman Civetti made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-19
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Roll call vote:
District 1: Aye
District 3: Aye
District 4: Aye
District 5: Aye
District 2: Aye
Motion carried: Vote 5-0

2018-CP-119

Petition submitted by Zisis Arsoniadis to purchase a portion of Old Pippin Orchard Road abutting 2338 Plainfield Pike for referral to the Planning Department

Councilman Russo made a motion to refer 2018-CP-119 to the Planning Board for an Advisory Opinion
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried: Vote 5-0

Abatements

2018-TO-6

Tax Assessor Abatements – June, 2018

Councilman Russo made a motion to grant 2018-TO-6
The motion was seconded by Councilman Civetti
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

Public Hearings for Ordinances

Approval of the minutes and transcripts from previous meetings

Transcripts Prepared by the Stenographer

Minutes prepared by the Town Clerk:

April 11, 2018 Special Meeting

Councilman Civetti made a motion to accept the minutes and to place them on file
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

May 14, 2018 Regular Meeting

Councilman Civetti made a motion to accept the minutes and to place them on file
The motion was seconded by Councilman Russo
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

Claims

2018-CP-115

Claim from Meghann Rossi-Houle for damage to her vehicle

Councilman Russo made a motion to refer 2018-CP-115 to the Solicitor
The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli
Motion carried; Vote 5-0

Requests to be heard

Please note: pursuant to Resolution 2017-4 of the Johnston Town Council, any person requesting to address the Council shall be heard for a maximum of 3 minutes. This will be strictly enforced. Pursuant to RI Open Meetings act, Councilmembers may not engage in discussion or comment, including dialog, questions and opinions on matters not properly noticed to the public. The Council may not take any action on matters appearing in the request to be heard portion of the agenda.

Show Cause Hearing

2018-CP-8

**Show Cause Hearing- Status Update-SMM New England Corporation
d/b/a SIMS Metal Management**

Location: 14-15 Green Earth Avenue

Continued from May 14, 2018

This item was moved up and heard earlier in the meeting-2018-CP-8 was continued to the July 9, 2018 meeting

See 2018-CP-8 after the "Licenses" portion of the agenda

Adjournment

Councilman Russo made a motion to adjourn

The motion was seconded by Councilman Santilli

Motion carried; vote 5-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm

Attest:

**Vincent P. Baccari, Jr.,
Town Clerk**