

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
COUNTY OF NEWPORT**

At a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Tiverton, County and State aforesaid, held at the Tiverton Town Hall, 343 Highland Road, on the 11th day of January 2016 A.D. at 7:00 p.m.

President deMedeiros opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:	Denise M. deMedeiros - President	Jay J. Lambert	Peter A. Mello
	Joan B. Chabot – Vice President	Brett N. Pelletier	David Perry
	Joseph R. Sousa		

Town Administrator, Matthew Wojcik and Town Solicitor Anthony DeSisto were also present.

**Honorable Representatives John G. Edwards and Dennis M. Canario
Honorable Senator Walter S. Felag, Jr. - Grant Presentation**

Representatives Edwards and Canario and Senator Felag presented several Grant Checks which included one for the Senior Center to assist with staffing, for the Police Department to assist in a capital expenditure for a radar system, for the Fire Department to assist with obtaining an Exo personal safety escape system and for the Public Library to assist with staffing. Senator Felag also reminded the Tiverton Little League to get their application as soon as possible. Council President deMedeiros thanked all of the local legislators.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

All items listed with “(CA) “are to be considered routine by the Town Council and will ordinarily be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Council, or a member of the public so requests and the Town Council President permits, in which event the item will be removed from Consent Agenda (CA) consideration and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

Council President deMedeiros read the items on the Consent Agenda. Councilor Lambert requested removal of item A3e, Correspondence From Nathan and Joy Titcomb Regarding Noise at Shooting Range on Main Road.

Councilor Pelletier moved to Approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of item 3e. Seconded by Councilor Perry the motion passed unanimously.

The Consent Agenda was as follows:

CONSENT AGENDA

A-1-Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

- a. Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2015
- b. Approval of Executive Session Minutes Council Meeting December 14, 2015

A-2-Receipt of Minutes from the Following Boards, Commissions:

- a. Arts Council (2)
- b. Board of Canvassers (4)
- c. Harbor & Coastal Waters Management Commission (2)
- d. Historical Cemeteries Commission (2)
- e. Open Space & Land Preservation Commission
- f. Tiverton Prevention Coalition December News Letter
- g. Tiverton Prevention Coalition Minutes November
- h. Planning Board
- i. Seaside Gas Station Ad Hoc Committee
- j. Draft November Meeting Minutes for Recreation and Beach Commission

A-3-Correspondence – Receive and File:

- a. Charlestown Town Council – Resolution in Support of Legislation on Controlling Blasting
- b. Barbara Pelletier – Regarding Grants for Pet Waste Stations
- c. Coastal Resources Management Council Public Notice re: Oyster Farm Application
- d. Invitation to Council for 29th Annual Interlocal Trust Dinner Meeting January 21, 2016

A-4-Approval of Tax Assessor Abatements

A-5-Kate Michaud – Planning Board Administrative Officer Report of Activities for December 2015

A-6-Town Administrator – Distribution of Police and Fire Department Overtime Reports December 2015

A-7-Town Administrator – Department Monthly Report for December 2015

A-8-Rescheduling of Public Hearing on Lepes Road Parking to February 8, 2016

A-9-Town Administrator – Distribution to Council of IAFF Contract for Ratification on January 25th

BUSINESS BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL

A-3e -Correspondence – Receive and File: -From Nathan and Joy Titcomb Regarding Noise at Shooting Range on Main Road

Councilor Lambert addressed the Town Administrator suggesting the Building Official be directed to look into the items the letter referenced; noise from the ventilation system and from the popping of guns. Councilor Lambert visited the business on three separate occasions, did not hear anything. Requested the Administrator direct the Police Chief or Building Official to conduct inspections of the premises. Council had been assured by Mr. Lebeau there would be nothing extreme regarding the noise. Administrator Wojcik will look into it, the Police did visit with a decibel meter, will be meeting with the neighbors this week. Town Clerk Nancy Mello noted no licenses have been issued to go with the shooting range. Police Chief Thomas Blakey explained this range has not been inspected by the Police was to be issued subject to inspections, will report back at the next meeting.

Councilor Pelletier moved to approve A3e, seconded by Councilor Perry passed unanimously.

B-PUBLIC HEARINGS & PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

1. Chief Lloyd – Issuance of Commendations for Members of Fire Department for Actions Resulting in the Saving of Life From Cardiac Arrests

Medals of Merit

Captain Craig Committo	William Barret	Captain Joseph Plocica	Bradford Lynch
Lt. Peter Manchester	Matthew McMahon	Lt. Joshua Ferreira	David McGovern
Alan Souza	Gordon Simard	William Heon	Christopher Sirr
Aaron Almeida	Brian Thompson	Andrew Kettle	

Unit Citation

Captain Craig Committo	William Barret	Captain Joseph Plocica	Bradford Lynch
Alan Souza	Gordon Simard	Lt. Joshua Ferreira	David McGovern
Aaron Almeida	Brian Thompson	William Heon	Christopher Sirr
Matthew McMahon		Andrew Kettle	

Fire Chief Robert Lloyd explained all those on the list were receiving Medals of Commendation today, handed an updated list to the Town Clerk, and thanked all those involved. Opined it was important for the community to know what was happening in the Fire Department; five people were resuscitated successfully, two were in the audience tonight. One fire fighter was off duty, did not want to be recognized or receive accolades. One member was attending a training session and another was out on a call. The Medal of Merit is awarded for any action undertaken on or off duty for the purpose to preserve life or to attempt to preserve a life of a human being when such action did bring outstanding credit to the department. Chief Lloyd added this also brought credit to the Town, a round of applause followed.

Unit Citation is an action of a member of a company as a whole within the scope of outstanding dedication to duty when the initiatives of such action bring great credit to the department. Chief Lloyd read the name of those receiving the Unit Citation, another round of applause followed.

2. Tiverton Prevention Coalition – Project Purple

Sally Black explained Project Purple, aka the Chris Herren project is an effort to recognize children who do not participate in substance abuse. Mrs. Black noted Project Purple week is January 25-29, 2016, Council President suggested members wear purple for the Council meeting on January 25. Councilor Perry noted purple bows can be purchased throughout town for \$3 or 2/\$5.

C-TOWN COUNCIL SITTING AS BOARD OF LICENSING:

1. Joseph A. Rein, The Pit Stop, LLC, 527 Main Road – Request Victualling and Holiday License – Subject to Meeting All Legal Requirements

Mr. Rein was requesting a Victualling and a Holiday License for a take-out/delivery restaurant located where the old Sakonnet Hot Dog is on Main Road.

Councilor Lambert moved to Approve the request for a Victualling and a Holiday License for Joseph A. Rein, The Pit Stop, LLC, 527 Main Road subject to meeting all legal requirements. Motion passed unanimously.

D-APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS:

1 Resignations

Recreation Commission – Continued From December 14th Meeting

a. Tom Pearce, Jr., 49 Antelope Way

b. Susan Gill, 1392 Main Road

c. Susan Zmich, 150 North Christopher Avenue

d. Kristen Plourde, 117 Merritt Avenue

Councilor Sousa moved to Accept with Regret the Resignations of Tom Pearce, Jr., Susan Gill, Susan Zmich and Kristen Plourde. The motion seconded by Councilor Perry passed unanimously.

2. Appointments

Tree Warden – Annual Appointment

John Manchester, 2970 Main Road

Councilor Perry moved to Reappoint John Manchester as Tree Warden. The motion seconded by Councilor Sousa passed unanimously.

E-UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Council President deMedeiros – Request Resolution Establishing a Casino Sub-Committee

Council President deMedeiros discussed with the Town Solicitor being on this subcommittee. Solicitor DeSisto agreed, the Council President should be on it for continuity, if this goes through it would also be for the construction period. Councilors Sousa, Perry, Lambert and Pelletier all expressed interest in being on this subcommittee. Solicitor DeSisto advised having no more than 3 members of the Council, can be open meetings with an agenda though this is not a true public body, does not prevent it from filing agendas. Councilor Sousa suggested should be one especially if inviting members of the public to speak. The casino will have a representative attend; Representative Jay Edwards will serve ex officio for the local delegation. All Councilors received a binder full of information including the financial numbers Councilor Sousa requested. Councilor Sousa was interested in seeing the proposed legislation. Solicitor DeSisto has received a working draft of the legislation, will have something for the next meeting. President deMedeiros believed the public should know what was going on.

Councilor Pelletier moved to Accept the Resolution, the motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa passed unanimously.

Adopted Resolution attached at end of the minutes.

2. Chief Lloyd – Request Council Vacate Previous Contract Award for Woodard and Curran to Assist in Re-Write of Hazard Mitigation Plan and Approve New Agreement with CDR McGuire for \$13,080

Councilor Pelletier moved to Vacate the previous contract awarded to Woodward and Curran in the rewrite of the Hazard Mitigation Plan and Approve the New Agreement with CDR Maguire not to exceed \$13,080. The motion, seconded by Councilor Chabot passed on a vote of 5-0-2, Councilors Perry and P. Mello abstained, both not at the Council table.

3. Notices for Show Cause Hearing Scheduled for January 25, 2016

a. Bruce Lewis & Cheryl Rioux, 97 Hayden Avenue - Plat 118, Lot 272

b. Dennis & Donna Silvia, 1588 Bulgarmarsh Road – Plat 215, Lot 113

Administrator Wojcik did not hear from the people listed in 3a, did receive a call from the insurance company for item 3b, requesting a conversation with the Town.

Councilor Pelletier moved to set a Show Cause Public Hearing for January 25, 2016 for the notices listed. The motion, seconded by Councilor Sousa, passed unanimously.

4. Town Clerk – Distribution of Responses to Various Information Requested at Prior Council Meetings

a. DPW Director Berlucchi - Updated Road Work of 6-2015 Priority List

Town Clerk Mello was trying to keep Council requests from previous meetings as an agenda item, will take a couple at a time as the responses from the Department Heads are received. President deMedeiros noted the total cost to rehab Town roads was over \$3million dollars, is an ongoing problem.

b. Denise Saurette, Treasurer -Funds Carried Forward to Paving from FY15

Treasurer Saurette, as requested had provided a Paving Account Analysis which showed a remaining balance of \$193,347 as of 12/31/15.

c. Town Administrator Response on Farm, Forrest and Open Space

Dave Robert, Tax Assessor, reported to the Council on a request from Councilor P. Mello for a list of locations for Farm, Forrest and Open Space lands. Those that are highlighted in yellow need further research due to a software conversion. The list includes only private owners which have gone to the Department of Environmental Management (DEM) and gained their approval, the Town administers the Open Space program. The tax benefits for residents in this program are over \$600,000 for the various parcels listed. Councilor Pelletier sought a document that would outline the requirements, threshold, acceptance and qualifications. Mr. Robert explained for Open Space it is a single application; use the State recommend rate, 30% of market value unless presented with a topographical map that shows more wetlands and graduations. The Farm/Forrest program is administered through DEM and uses their rules and regulations. An annual handout is forwarded to the Tax Assessor's; can forward to the Council when it's received. One of the requirements for approval is contingent upon the Director's opinion. There is a 15 year requirement for Open Space, does have a use charge penalty between 1-10%. Councilor Pelletier opined, worth talking about as a speculator could buy open space and sell at full market value. Solicitor DeSisto noted there are fall back provisions, can give a scale to Council. Mr. Robert explained the Farm land criteria falls under State regulations; if concerned can contact DEM to request an inspection. Anyone owning farm land has to be recertified on an annual basis, does not have the authority to disqualify. There is recourse with a Town Council element to it. The Open Space minimum is 10 acres. Councilor P. Mello thanked Mr. Robert for the report.

d. Town Administrator Response on Junkyards/Zoning

Neil Hall, Building/Zoning Official commented on the aerial photos for possible expansion of Auto Junkyard licenses. The only clear cut expansion according to the aerial photos is the one at 384 King Road which the Council has been dealing with at the present moment. Tried to reach the owner at 1484 Crandall Road, if looking at the 2014 photos there could possibly be encroachment to the wetlands, is out of the office jurisdiction, just want to keep them informed. Councilor Sousa opined they are non-conforming use, can't expand here to grow a business, was a huge injustice to change zoning, need to look at zoning. Councilor Pelletier noted this was a discussion about an obvious expansion, have 20 years of aerial imagery regarding encroachment and a modification or removal of wetlands; people in this area rely on wells. Mr. Hall will continue to try to contact the owner at 1484 Crandall Road to keep them informed.

F-FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

1. Town Administrator – Distribution of Municipal 2016/17 Preliminary Budget

Administrator Wojcik explained that according to the Charter the Town Administrator, Town Clerk and Town Treasurer have to submit a budget by January 15. T/A Wojcik was waiting for additional information from some of the Department Heads who have responsibility for formulating their part of the budget. The T/A prioritizes the choices; this budget is mostly complete for the Department Head request column. The T/A will fill in the Town Administrator request column prior to the Thursday meeting and will distribute the Budget binders on Thursday or Friday. Drawing attention to Rubbish collection expense, have found out RI Resource Recovery will be doubling tipping fees over time. DPW Director Berlucchi noted the survey of the Landfill's 33 acres has been completed for the first time in 10 years, just found out from PARE Engineering that there are 3.5 years left in the life of the Landfill, projected without the request for the expansion, gets the cost down to \$500,000. T/A Wojcik noted the cost of material may go up in the next several years, did not want to use revenue anticipation notes. Councilor Sousa recalled asking local legislators for a height expansion. Councilor Lambert planned to take this up with the Landfill Committee, currently earning \$420k from the Pay As You Throw program, not getting anything from the Budget; the \$6.3 million in the bank is earning 3% interest, will come close to the closing figure. DPW Director Berlucchi called this good news, saves time and do not have to spend \$900k to haul to Johnston. T/ A Wojcik still had to add in the complete request from the Fire Department and some from DPW. President deMedeiros noted this budget was incomplete at this point. Administrator's deadline is the 15th. Solicitor DeSisto explained the Council should acknowledge receipt of the document, forward this off and still comply with the Charter.

Councilor Pelletier moved to acknowledge receipt of the Preliminary Budget dated 1/11/2016. The motion, seconded by Councilor Chabot passed on a vote of 5-2, Councilors Perry and P. Mello opposed.

G-NEW BUSINESS:

1. David Robert, Tax Assessor – Regarding Elderly Low Income Exemption

David Robert, Tax Assessor was reminding elderly residents the application deadline is March 15 to apply for the elderly low income exemption. Last year the Council voted to amend the ordinance to increase the income limit to mirror poverty guidelines. The website has been updated, must be at least 65 years of age and a resident for 3 years prior to the application. Do maintain a list and mail reminders to the residents.

2. Town Administrator – Ratification of Tax Assessor, David Robert's 3 Year Contract-December 11, 2015 Through December 10, 2018 with Public Impact Summary

President deMedeiros noted this item would be taken after the Council returns from Executive Session.

3. Councilor Pelletier – Amendment to Seaside Gas Station Ad Hoc Committee

Councilor Pelletier explained this committee was up for renewal January 1, members of the committee suggested changing the name to the Grinnell's Beach Improvement Committee in order to have a better chance when applying for grants. Incorporated the Stone Bridge Abutment in the language as well.

Councilor Chabot moved to Approve the Amendment to Seaside Gas Station Ad Hoc Committee and to change the item numbered 6 to 5. The motion, seconded by Councilor Perry passed unanimously.

Councilor Pelletier expects to have renderings in the next couple of months.

Adopted Resolution attached at the end of the minutes.

4. Approval of Amended Resolutions

a. Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

Town Clerk Mello found the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (CPAC) had an expiration date of 1/1/16. Received an email from Cecil Leonard, Chair of this committee to say this committee has concluded the work on element 5, sees no reason to extend this into the future. President deMedeiros noted it was now at the Planning Board level. Town Clerk Mello noted Kate Michaud has in a binder both the Planning Board and CPAC portions. Councilor Perry attended the PB meeting, they are looking for 40 hours of help with mapping and editing to get this completed. The Council can take sections of the Comp Plan elements and vote on those, need to get this going. President deMedeiros noted the Council has not received anything yet, that document has not been approved by the Planning Board as a whole. Solicitor DeSisto opined no action was needed.

b. Land Use Procedural Improvements Committee (LUPI)

Town Clerk Mello explained this committee had also expired, crossed out the part about referral to the Comp Plan Committee since it's no longer active. T/A Wojcik explained this committee speaks to the procedural process, should extend it for at least another year. Councilor Pelletier agreed the meetings have been very productive. Councilor Perry requested notification, would like to attend those meetings. Councilor Chabot pointed out in item #3, the Committee shall report to the Council by December 31, 2014, suggest changing without having a date, on a regular basis. Councilor Chabot suggested changing that line to read: The Committee shall report on a regular basis its referrals and recommendations quarterly to the Council.

Councilor Perry moved to Extend the Land Use Procedural Improvements Committee (LUPI) to 2017, as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilor Pelletier and passed unanimously.

Adopted Resolution attached at the end of the minutes.

DPW Director Berlucchi

a. Request Rescind 11/19/15 Bid and Contract Award of \$9,985 for Purchase of a New or Refurbished Hotbox

b. Request Transfer of \$25,000 from Paving/Road Repair Acct#5540-6794 to Municipal Capital DPW Hotbox Acct #0980-8777

c. Permission to Advertise Bids to Purchase a New Hotbox Estimated Cost of \$40,000

Director Berlucchi explained \$15k was approved at the last Financial Town Referendum (FTR) for a refurbished or a new Hotbox. At the time anticipated putting it on the body of an old truck. Received one bid for \$10K, the unit was not good, refused to accept it. The second request is to transfer \$25k from the Road Repair Account to purchase a new Hotbox for \$40k. Have the \$15k that was already approved, really need a new one which can be plugged in at night. Potholes have to be repaired in 4 days or will cause more problems. The hot mix is a more permanent patch. Not too many vendors for this product, looking for one with an oil filled jacket, advertising for 4 cubic yards, carry 3.25 tons, is a dump body. Councilor Chabot questioned if the Council could take out of the Operating money account and move to Capital. Solicitor DeSisto opined it could be done. Nancy Driggs pointed out that particular paving account was a restricted account. T/A noted Hotbox was part of the repairing function. Jeff Belli opined people will just see money being transferred out of paving and not what it's being used for. Solicitor DeSisto reiterated the transfer could be done.

Councilor Pelletier moved to Rescind the 11/19/15 Bid and Contract Award of \$9,985 for Purchase of a New or Refurbished Hotbox. Seconded by Councilor Chabot the motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Chabot raised the point if the funds are transferred now but only get a bid for \$35k then \$5k was transferred but not necessary. Councilor Pelletier suggested waiting to transfer those funds. President deMedeiros noted the request to Transfer would be tabled.

H-BIDS AND REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS:

1. DPW Director Berlucchi – Request Authorization to Go to Bid to Sell Surplus Vehicles and Equipment

Director Berlucchi explained all excess equipment and vehicles have been stored at the DPW, requesting to go out to bid, junk prices are down, selling this will help clean up the yard. Councilor Sousa questioned if the Town could allow the Director to just scrap without going to bid, like to see local business benefit. T/A Wojcik noted if the Council decides it's just surplus, would not need advertising. Director Berlucchi opined it was all junk. Councilor Chabot recalled the last time surplus was advertised the cost was not covered by the sale.

Councilor Pelletier moved to Authorize DPW Director Berlucchi to declare the list of vehicles and equipment as surplus. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sousa who requested a report of the sale. Administrator Wojcik requested to include the caveat for the surplus to be taken to a licensed junkyard. The motion passed unanimously.

H-1-OPEN PUBLIC FORUM FOR ANNOUCEMENTS, COMMENTS, QUESTIONS

No one signed up to speak during the Open Public Forum

I-TOWN ADMINISTRATOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no Administrator announcements.

J-COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President deMedeiros explained Representative Edwards was contacted by Mr. Lynch, owner of Tiverton Materials regarding the quarry, wanted to have a meeting. Representative Edwards was asked if the Council would talk to Mr. Lynch and Representative Edwards and the Council President. President deMedeiros was polling the Council for a consensus, requested Councilor P. Mello also be at the meeting. T/A Wojcik wanted the authority of the entire Council, should report back in Executive Session. Legislation has been submitted to give the Council more leverage to license quarries. Councilor P. Mello suggested inviting the public, Councilor Lambert suggested this was just to get an honest exchange of ideas will not lose anything. T/A Wojcik noted the neighbors were well organized, suggested asking one to attend as a representative of the group. President deMedeiros will have a report on a future agenda.

Councilor Chabot received a request regarding the ordinance for zoning and the process for a family burial site. Councilor Chabot requested the Solicitor to look into it, just wanted to make the Council aware. Councilor Perry attended the School Committee (SC) budget process meeting. Good news, the SC budget had a .67% increase or \$167k, they are also taking \$269 from their budget reserve for technology upgrades. It is a credit to the SC for bringing their budget in this low. President deMedeiros confirmed there will be a quorum for this Thursday's joint meeting with the Budget and School Committees.

Councilor P. Mello requested an update on RIDOT funds regarding Stone Bridge and on the \$20k Wastewater Management was charging for inspections which they give and then request the Town reimburse. Councilor Pelletier noted the walls in the Town Hall have been repainted with a color called Tiverton Stone Bridge Tan which is available at Humphrey's. Thanked T/A Wojcik for leading the project.

K-TOWN SOLICITOR – ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no Town Solicitor items for this agenda.

L-TOWN CLERK ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no Town Clerk items for this agenda.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Town Solicitor – 42-46-5(a) (2) – Litigation Summary Report

2. Councilor Lambert – 42-46-5(a) (2) – Litigation - McInnis v. Town, et al. C.A. No. NC 08-0629

3. Town Administrator–42-46-5(a) (1)-Distribution of Performance Evaluation for David Robert, Tax Assessor

4. Town Administrator – 42-46-5(a) (1) - Distribution of Performance Evaluation for Marc Rousseau, Town Planner

Councilor Lambert moved to go into Closed Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a) (2) re: Town Solicitor – Litigation Summary Report. The motion, seconded by Councilor Chabot passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Councilor Lambert moved to stay in Closed Executive Session pursuant to section 42-46-5(a) (2) re: Litigation – McInnis v. Town, et al. C.A. No. NC 08-0629. The motion, seconded by Councilor Chabot passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Councilor Lambert moved to stay in Closed Executive Session pursuant to section 42-46-5(a) (1) re: Distribution of Performance Evaluation for David Robert, Tax Assessor. The motion, seconded by Councilor Chabot passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

Councilor Lambert moved to stay in Closed Executive Session pursuant to section 42-46-5(a) (1) re: Distribution of Performance Evaluation for Marc Rousseau, Town Planner. The motion, seconded by Councilor Chabot passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

The Council entered into Executive Session at approximately 9:02 p.m.

The Council returned to Open Session at approximately 10:25 p.m.

OPEN SESSION:

Councilor deMedeiros announced no formal action was taken in Executive Session.

Councilor Pelletier motioned to seal the minutes of Closed Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Lambert, motion passed unanimously.

At this time, Council addressed agenda item G-2- Ratification of Tax Assessor David Robert’s 3 Year Contract- December 11, 2015 through December 10, 2018.

Councilor Sousa motioned to ratify Tax Assessor’s 3 year contract. Seconded by Councilor Chabot motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilor Pelletier motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Chabot. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

A True Copy.

ATTEST: _____
Nancy L. Mello, Town Clerk

Town of Tiverton, Rhode Island
Town Council Resolution - Jan 2016 #1
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SUB-COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS ISSUES OF A
POSSIBLE CASINO IN TIVERTON

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF TIVERTON AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, The issue of a proposed casino in the Town of Tiverton is a serious concern;

WHEREAS, a plan of action needs to be developed to address the myriad concerns that may arise from the proposed casino, that must be studied carefully;

WHEREAS, the Tiverton Town Council deems it necessary to create a Town Council Sub-Committee to address those needs.

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Sub-Committee shall be to meet with legislators, state agencies and government officials, Twin River Casino representatives, the public and any other necessary person, group or committee involved in the process of performing proper diligence should the voters approve bringing a casino to Tiverton in November 2016. If so, the Sub-Committee will further continue the diligence through the development process.

2. Membership

All members of the Sub-Committee shall be members of the Town Council, unless serving ex-officio or as staff to the Sub-Committee. The membership of the Sub-Committee shall be composed of:

- a. The Town Council President
- b. Two Other Members of the Town Council
- c. The Town Administrator
- d. The Town Solicitor
- e. State Representative John Edwards (ex-officio member to serve as liaison to the legislature)

3. The Town Council President shall serve as Chair and a Vice-Chair shall be appointed. The Sub-Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair or Vice-Chair. The Sub-Committee shall be deemed a working group.

4. The Sub-Committee shall report monthly to the Town Council, setting forth its achievements, projects and goals.

5. The Sub-Committee shall issue a final report of recommendations for the Casino project no later than October 1, 2016.

6. The Sub-Committee shall cease to exist on January 1, 2017, unless extended by additional Resolution of the Tiverton Town Council

SECTION 1: The Tiverton Town Council hereby establishes a Tiverton Town Council Sub-Committee, whose members shall be appointed by the Tiverton Town Council, on an ad hoc basis.

SECTION 2: that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by the Tiverton Town Council.

Adopted by the Town Council on the 11th day of January, 2016.

Nancy Mello, Town Clerk

Town of Tiverton

Resolution Establishing the Grinnell' s Beach Improvement Committee

WHEREAS, the Town of Tiverton considers among its many assets the former Seaside Gas Station located adjacent to Grinnell's Beach and the Stone Bridge Abutment; and

WHEREAS, a plan of action needs to be developed to address the future of the former Seaside Gas Station site, including but not limited to a vista, alternative restrooms, parking and lighting and their relation to current and ongoing improvements to the Stone Bridge Abutment and Grinnell's Beach area; and

WHEREAS, Roger Williams University has offered the assistance of a student or group of students to produce conceptual drawings and options for alternative resources; and

WHEREAS, through research conducted by the Town of Tiverton Planner there appears to exist grant opportunities through the State of Rhode Island to assist in the preservation and/or repurposing of former Seaside Gas Station, Grinnell' s Beach and Stone Bridge Abutment.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town Council of Tiverton that the Grinnell' s Beach Improvement Committee is hereby established and organized as follows:

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Committee shall be to provide expedited coordination among appropriate Boards and Commissions in the development of a plan for the former Seaside Gas Station, Grinnells Beach and Stone Bridge Abutment and advise the Town Council as to any and all necessary steps for future re-use of the structure and land located at the former Seaside Gas Station site and adjacent parcels.

2. Membership

All members of the Committee shall be electors of the Town, unless serving ex-officio or as staff (including legal advisors or planning consultants) to the Committee. The membership of the Committee shall be composed of:

- A. The Town Planner
- B. The Chair (or designee) of the Planning Board
- C. The Chair (or designee) of the Conservation Commission
- D. The Chair (or designee) of the Harbor and Costal Waters Commission
- E. The Chair (or designee) of the Economic Development Committee
- F. The Chair (or designee) of the Recreation Commission
- G. Two Members of the Town Council, appointed by the Town Council (ex-officio)
- H. The Town Administrator (ex-officio)

3. The Town Council shall appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair and a Secretary. The Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair or Vice-Chair. The Committee shall be deemed a public body and subject to all requirements of the Open Meetings Act and the Access to Public Records Act.

4. The Committee shall report monthly to the Town Council, setting forth its achievements, projects and goals along with formal reports of recommendations, grant opportunities, and proposed plans for the site and adjacent parcels.

5. The Committee shall cease to exist upon the resolution of the Tiverton Town Council

Adopted by the Town Council on the 11th day of January 2016.

Town of Tiverton - Resolution
Establishing

The Ad Hoc Land Use Procedural Improvements Committee

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2012, the Town held a Planning and Zoning Workshop, which was assisted by the RI Statewide Planning Office and the Cecil Group; and

WHEREAS, at such workshop, the populace brought forth many ideas for the improvement of planning and zoning in the Town, both short-term procedural ideas and long-term conceptual goals, and many ideas in between, and the Cecil Group collected these issues; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to proceed from this workshop and implement as many of the ideas and suggestions as desirable and practical and legal:

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town Council of Tiverton that the Ad Hoc Land Use Procedural Improvements Advisory Committee (“Committee”) is hereby established and organized as follows:

1. Purposes

The purposes of the Committee shall be to:

- a. Further research and investigate the issues identified in the Cecil Group compilation.
- b. Divide out the short-term procedural ideas from the long term procedural ideas and from the Comprehensive Plan concerns.
- c. Develop a set of recommendations to implement the short term and long term ideas.
- d. Develop recommendations of timeframes and responsible parties for implementation of the short term ideas.
- e. Develop recommendations of timeframes and responsible parties for implementation of the long term ideas.

2. Membership

All members of the Committee shall be electors of the Town, unless serving ex-officio or as staff (including legal advisors or planning consultants) to the Committee. The membership of the Committee shall be composed of:

- a. The Town Administrator (Chair)
- b. The Administrative Officer (staff)
- c. The Zoning Enforcement Officer (staff)
- d. The Town Solicitor (staff)
- e. The Chair (or designee) of the Planning Board
- f. The Chair (or designee) of the Zoning Board
- g. One Member of the Town Council, appointed by the Town Council (ex-officio)

3. The Committee shall report on a regular basis its referrals and recommendations quarterly to the Council.

4. The Committee shall cease to exist as of January 1, 2017.

Amended and Adopted by the Town Council on the 11 day of January, 2016.