

**TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**MONTHLY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING –December 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
Charlestown Town Hall, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown, RI**

The regular monthly meeting of the Charlestown Town Council will be held on December 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Charlestown Town Hall, 4540 South County Trail, Charlestown, RI. The proposed agenda is as follows:

1. CALL TO ORDER, Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance

2. ROLL CALL

Motion to move item 8b to be heard next on the agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT for items not on the Agenda

4. COUNCIL COMMENTS

5. PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD - None

6. ADMINISTRATOR, SOLICITOR, COMMISSION REPORTS

a. Town Administrator

b. Town Solicitor

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Discussion and potential action on Items for Washington County Regional Planning Council December meeting with state legislators. Current items are Affordable Housing one year moratorium on for profit comprehensive permits, reconstitution of the LMIH state study commission, removing State school mandates, and dredging Quonochontaug Pond

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion and potential action regarding Council Rules and Regulations

b. Discussion and potential action regarding topics for the Chariho Omnibus Meeting to be held on January 16, 2013

c. Discussion and potential action regarding authorizing the Town Clerk to write a letter to all Commission Chairs and inform them that if they have any important issues they believe requires a workshop with the Town Council to please request a workshop meeting

d. Discussion and potential action regarding the reinstatement of the Town Council Workshops for Citizen Forums adopted by the Town Council in 2010

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

10. COUNCIL SITTING AS BEVERAGE LICENSING BOARD

a. Request from the G.J.S.I., INC, d/b/a G.J.S.I. Tavern and Inn for closure from November 29, 2012 through March 30, 2013.

11. LICENSES AND PERMITS

“CA” a. Application received from Small Axe Café for a General Entertainment License at 4820 Old Post Road on Sundays from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

“CA” b. Approval of events with a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission, subject to review of contracts by the Town Solicitor, receipt of all applicable paperwork and insurance and that all event details be satisfactorily met by the Parks and Recreation Director:

1. Animal Rescue League of Southern RI / 3rd Annual Bark in the Park Dog Walk

Ninigret Park Reservation: October 6, 2013

Event: October 6, 2013

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million

Fee: Waived (Commission Approved)

2. Polar Plunge

Charlestown Town Beach Reservation: January 1, 2013

Event: January 1, 2013

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million

Fee: Waived (Commission Approved)

12. CONSENT AGENDA *All items marked with “CA” are to be considered consent agenda*

Motion to accept approve and place on file the following as the consent agenda: 11a, 11b, 13a, 13b 15a, 17a, 17b, 17c, 17d, 17e, 17f, 17g, 17h, 17j, 17k, 18a, 18b

13. MINUTES AND REPORTS

“CA” a. Town Council Minutes: November 13, 2012; November 19, 2012 (Special/Executive)

“CA” b. Reports: Building Official – October 2012, November 2012; Parks and Recreation Director – November 2012; Police Chief - October 2012, November 2012; Public Works Director – October 2012, November 2012; Town Clerk – November 2012; Treasurer – October 2012

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Board and Commission vacancies

15. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

“CA” a. Resolution establishing uniform animal control fees

16. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS - None

17. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

“CA” a. Acceptance of the resignation of Paula Andersen from the Parks and Recreation Commission

“CA” b. Acceptance of the resignation of George C. Tremblay from the Planning Commission

“CA” c. Acceptance of the resignation of Constance D. Vadnais-Baker from the Affordable Housing Commission

“CA” d. Discussion and potential action regarding the reappointment of Peter D. Ruggiero as Town Solicitor

“CA” e. Discussion and potential action regarding the reappointment of Robert E. Craven as Assistant Town Solicitor and Probate Judge

“CA” f. Discussion and potential action regarding the reappointment of Joseph Larisa as Assistant Solicitor for Indian Affairs

“CA” g. Discussion and potential action regarding the reappointment of Margaret Lenihan Steele as Municipal Court Judge

“CA” h. Reappointment of Linda Phillips, David Bailey and Richard Hosp to the Budget Commission, terms to expire in June of 2016.

i. Discussion and potential action regarding the appointment of Council Liaisons to the following Commissions: Affordable Housing Commission, Agricultural Preservation, Budget Commission, Building Commission, Charlestown Historical Society, Chariho Act Revision Subcommittee, Coastal Pond Management Commission, Conservation Commission, Cross Mills’ Public Library Board of Trustees, Economic Improvement Commission, Investment Review Committee, Ocean Special Area Management Plan, Parks and Recreation Commission, Personnel Appeals Board, Planning Commission, Senior Citizens Commission, TE@CH (Targeting Excellence at Chariho – Performance Review Panel), Tri-Town Council Subcommittee, Washington County Regional Planning Council, Wastewater Management Commission, Zoning Board of Review

“CA” j. Appointment of Teresa Rose to the Parks and Recreation Commission, term to expire January 2016

“CA” k. Acceptance of the resignation of James E. Sullivan from the Chariho Regional District School Committee with regret

18. FISCAL MATTERS

“CA” a. Request from Patricia M. Anderson, Acting Town Administrator for the approval of Sun Graphics as a sole source vendor based on the requirements of the Town Purchasing Manual, Section V. Special Procurements, A. Exclusive Service/Sole Source Vendor, for the purpose of printing the Pipeline.

“CA” b. Request from the Tax Assessor for abatements in the amount of \$7,532.21

19. LEGAL MATTERS - None

20. ADJOURNMENT

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Town Council. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call 711-364-1240 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

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