

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

for

TOWN, WATER AND SEWER MATTERS

Jamestown Town Hall

Council Chambers

93 Narragansett Avenue

Monday, June 16, 2008

6:00 PM Joint Work Session with the School Committee-Land Use Plan for Jamestown Schools and Neighborhood, Sponsored by Rolling Agenda and the Town of Jamestown, Presentation by Gates Leighton & Associates-Request for Plan Endorsement

7:00 PM Regular Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

II. PUBLIC HEARING:

1) Proposed draft of the amendments to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Water Commissioners as follows:

Amendment 1-Definitions- "Premises" (b) is hereby amended as follows:

"Premises" shall include, but shall not be restricted to:

(b) Each unit physically separated from other units within a building or structure and having separate washroom, bathroom and/or kitchen cooking facilities;

Amendment 2-General Rules-Subsections 2, 3, and 9 are hereby amended as

follows:

2. The Commission will attempt to provide an adequate supply of water throughout its system, but in view of the limitations of the system cannot assume responsibility or liability, direct, indirect or consequential, for any damage from failure to do so. Whenever possible, work necessitating the interruption of service will be scheduled to provide the least inconvenience to the customer. The Commission will make a reasonable effort to give notice in advance of any work necessitating the interruption of service. To safeguard against possible damage due to interruption of service, customers shall regulate their installations connected with the water supply system so that damage will not occur if water is shut off without notice. Automatic check valves shall be installed on the service at the building. entrance. Hot Water boilers and storage pressure tanks shall be provided with a temperature, vacuum, and pressure relief valves which customers shall keep in good operating condition at all times. Lever type valves are recommended required.

3. Authorized employees of the Commission shall have reasonable access to customers' premises for the purpose of reading, testing or repairing meters; inspecting plumbing connections, fixtures or pipes, inspecting for illicit connections or discontinuing service for any of the reasons listed under Rule 61 and such employee will wear a Commission uniform or carry a badge identification card, or insignia, identifying him as a commission employee. Services rendered after hours or on weekends or Holidays are subject to special charges, and this service shall be for emergencies only.

9. No pipe or fixture connected with the mains of the Commission may be connected with pipes or fixtures supplied with water from any other source. Storage or mixing tanks subject to contamination, swimming pool re-circulating systems, private wells and reclaiming water systems, etc. are considered for the purpose of this regulation as other sources. Such cross connections are in violation of Rhode Island State Health Department regulations. All service connections shall have an approved backflow device installed after the meter. The device shall be the property of the owner and shall be maintained and tested at the owner's expense.

Amendment 3-General Rules-Add Subsections 13 and 14 are hereby amended to as follows:

13. Commercial buildings and restaurants shall comply with the 2006 International Plumbing Code chapter 10, section 1003 for the installation of grease traps

14. The owner is responsible for the maintenance of the sewer service from the house to the main including the tap.

Amendment 4-Rural Water District-section 14B, subsection (a) (4), is hereby amended to as follows:

14B.Rural Water Districts. All service connections and/or extensions in the Rural Water District shall be subject to the following conditions:

a. The applicants shall be subject to the requirements described for extensions in the urban district for one or two-family residential uses.

4. Is necessary because the land will not produce a sufficient quantity of potable water by drilling private wells. The minimum well depth shall be 300'.

Amendment 5-Conservation-section 15A, subsections 2, 3, and 4 are hereby amended to as follows:

15A. Limitations on Use. In an effort to conserve water, the following rules shall control the uses hereafter described:

2. No customer shall use water furnished by the municipal water system for lawn irrigation, house washing, boat washing, or residential car washing from June 1st 30th through October 31st 1st of each year; nor at any time between October 31st and May 31st when the height of the North Reservoir is more than one foot below the top of the spillway and after publication in the manner set forth in this subsection 3. When the height of the North Reservoir is from one foot to three feet below the top of the spillway and after publication of said information in a daily or weekly newspaper of general circulation within the Town of Jamestown, no customer shall use water furnished by the municipal water system for the irrigation of vegetables or flowers for more than fifteen (15) minutes per day and on such days as hereinafter set forth. No irrigation shall occur on Saturdays or Sundays. Properties with a legal address with an even number may irrigate flowers and vegetables only on an even day of the month. The above properties may irrigate on August 1st, provided it does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday. Properties with a legal address with an odd number may irrigate flowers and vegetables only on an odd day of the month.

3. When the height of the North Reservoir is from three four feet to four five feet below the top of the spillway and after publication as described in subsection 2, above, no customer shall use water furnished by the municipal water system for any outdoor use.

4. When the height of the North Reservoir is from four five feet to five six feet below the top of the spillway and after publication as described in subsection 2, above, no commercial customer shall wash any vehicle using water furnished by the municipal water system.

Amendment 6-Conservation-section 15A, subsection 7 (a) and (b) is hereby amended to as follows:

7. The Commission may temporarily suspend all or part of the Limitations on Use set forth in subsections 2, 3 and 4 above, for such period or periods of time and/or upon such terms and conditions it deems appropriate at a public hearing and upon a four-fifths (4/5) vote of all members of the Commission and after meeting one of the conditions set forth in subsections a & b below and upon a finding, upon a preponderance of the evidence, that it is satisfied that rainfall, other meteorological conditions, North Reservoir height, projected water usage needs, and other factors it deems pertinent establish that the suspension will not compromise the ability of the Commission to supply customers with adequate amounts of potable water for the foreseeable future, and that the suspension will not contribute to conditions inimical to the public health, safety, welfare or to the Town of Jamestown Water Supply Management Plan. The reason for and the dates comprising the period of suspension shall be set forth in the decision of Commission. However, the Commission may terminate the suspension at any time if it determines at public hearing

and upon majority vote that a preponderance of evidence shows that conditions require reinstatement of the suspended subsection or subsections. Notice of public hearings hereunder shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Town of Jamestown at least seven (7) days before the hearing. Notices of suspension, termination and/or reinstatement shall be published in such a newspaper within seven (7) days of the Commission's action.

a.) The height of North Reservoir is no more than six (6) twelve (12) inches below the top of the spillway.

b.) The height of North Reservoir is no more than twenty-four (24) thirty-six (36) inches below the top of the spillway and the date falls between the first Tuesday after Labor Day and until October 31st.

Amendment 7-Conservation-section 15B, subsection 3 (b) is hereby amended to as follows:

15B. Limitations on Appliances, Toilets and Fixtures. In an effort to conserve water, the following rules shall control appliances, toilets and fixtures.

b. **Non-Sale.** All toilets, faucets and showerheads in all improved real property connected to the municipal water system shall meet or exceed the low-flow standards set forth in the following in Table A, below. The Owner of any improved real property which is not in compliance with the requirement shall be billed an addition Fifty

Dollar (\$50.00) charge for each quarter during which the noncompliance continues.

Within ten (10) (15) years of the date May 17, 1999, all clothes washers in all improved real property connected to the municipal water system shall meet or exceed the water efficiency standards established and published by the board the from time to time.

Amendment 8-Meters-sections 34, 36 and 46 are hereby amended to as follows:

34. No Submetering will be permitted. only with the approval of the Commission.

36. For the installation of seasonal meters, upon notification, between April 15th and May 31st, a charge of \$25.00 \$50.00 will be made. For installing a seasonal meter before or after said dates, upon notification, a charge of \$35.00 \$75.00 will be made. For removing, testing and storing of seasonal meters, upon notification, between September 15th and October 31st, a charge of \$25.00 \$50.00 will be made. For removing, testing and storing of seasonal meters, upon notification, before or after said dates, a charge of \$35.00 \$75.00 will be made. Attention is called to the Rules pertaining to disconnecting meters. Any repairs required to rehabilitate a seasonal meter must be borne by the customer.

46. Approved remote meter reading devices, when requested by a customer for his convenience, will be installed by the Commission at the customer's expense. Remote reading devices installed for the Commission's convenience will be installed at the expense of the Commission.

III. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

IV. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1) 04/21/08 (public workshop re: review Rules and Regulations of the Board of Water Commissioners)**
- 2) 05/19/08 (regular meeting)**

V. OPEN FORUM:

- 1) Scheduled request to address**
- 2) Non-scheduled request to address**

VI. REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

- 1) Pumping report**
- 2) Town project reports**
 - a) Town Wells**
 - b) Aeration System**
 - c) Treatment Plant**

- d) Distribution System**
- e) Transfer Pumping**
- f) Sewer Plant Rehabilitation**

VII. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

X. BILLS AND PAYROLL:

XI. TOWN BUSINESS:

1) CRMC Notices:

a) Notice of Violation re: William Munger, 1 Ferry Wharf, installation of an unauthorized float at Conanicut Marina, Conanicus Avenue, Plat 8/9, Lots 355, 356, 171, 183, 287 and 291 without benefit of a CRMC assent or in violation of a Council Order

2) Ordinances, Resolutions and Proclamations:

a) Resolution No. 08-008 requesting that the Quonset Development Corporation endorse the recommendation of Governor Carcieri to set aside appropriate mooring space at Davisville for the USS Saratoga and supporting legislation that would allow the USS Saratoga to move to Davisville

b) Resolution No. 08-009 supporting legislative amendments to

protect Rhode Island's cities and towns and their public officials/employees

c) Proclamation No. 08-010 proclaiming the week beginning Sunday, June 15, 2008 as Jamestown Graduates Week

3) New Business:

a) House Bill 2008 – H 8199 “An Act Relating to Highways – The Jamestown Bridge Fishing Park”; if favorable, motion to forward resolution in support of Representative Long’s opposition to House Bill 2008 H 8199

b) Concrete Pier – Conanicut Marina request to submit CRMC permit for floating dock on north side of concrete pier

c) Highway Facility and Salt Storage Building Design

4) Town Administrators Report:

a) North Road Bike Path

b) Harbor Boat

c) Dutch Harbor Boat Yard

d) 101 Gondola Avenue

5) Town Bills and Payroll

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

ALL NOTE: This meeting location is accessible to the physically challenged. Hearing or speech impaired individuals requiring the services of an interpreter should call 1-800-745-5555 or 423-1212 not less than 3 business days prior to this meeting.

Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting shall be posted on the Secretary of State's website, at the Town Hall and the Jamestown Philomenian Library.

In addition to the three above-mentioned locations, notice also may be posted from time to time, at the following locations: Jamestown Police Station and on the Internet at www.jamestownri.net

This notice was posted at the following locations on June 13, 2008

Jamestown Town Hall

Jamestown Philomenian Library

Secretary of State's website

Town of Jamestown's website