

PRESENT: Calouro, Sweeney, Teixeira, Parella and Ley

ALSO PRESENT: Steven Contente, Town Administrator
Michael A. Ursillo, Esq., Town Solicitor
A. Archie Martins, Town Sergeant

The Council met in regular session on Wednesday evening, January 16, 2019 in the Town Hall, Council Chambers, beginning at 7:02 o'clock PM, Council Chairman Calouro presiding:

MOTION RE: CONSENT AGENDA - TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. SUBMISSION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Town Council Meeting - December 19, 2018

Sweeney/Ley - Voted unanimously to approve these minutes as prepared and presented.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

C. ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance #2018-17, Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article V Stopping, Standing and Parking, Sec. 16-143 - Parking Prohibited at all Times, Noyes Avenue, East side, (to Extend Existing No Parking Area), **2nd Reading**

a. Judith Guild, 25 Noyes Avenue, re Withdraw Request to Extend Existing No Parking Area

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

Prior to the vote taken, the Clerk explained that the original petitioner withdrew her request.

2. Ordinance #2018-18 - Chapter 28 Zoning, Article III Permitted Uses, Section 28-82 Use regulations (d) Permitted Use Table A. (as amended)(to include food and kindred products-manufacturing

including canning or packaging), - Due to an error at the Bristol Phoenix, Public Hearing is postponed to February 6, 2019.

It is hereby noted for the record that the Council made note of the new date for the Public Hearing and took no further action regarding this matter.

D. LICENSING BOARD - NEW PETITIONS

1. Lisa Paulino d/b/a Pannoni's, LLC, 553 Hope Street - Request for Victualling License
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chemist/Pretreatment Coordinator
 - c. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license per the recommendations received and conditions, if any, as delineated and also subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

Prior to the vote taken, the petitioner reported that the establishment will be serving lunch and dinner "comfort food" and will be open six days per week. She added that customer will be able to BYOB at this establishment.

2. Carolyn Almonte for Our Lady of Mount Carmel School PTG - Request for Bingo License
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license per the recommendations received and conditions, if any, as delineated, and

also subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

3. Thames Street Landing Tavern Company LLC d/b/a DeWolf Tavern - 259 Thames Street - BV Intoxicating Beverage License - Transfer of License (stockholder) - Call for Public Hearing on February 6, 2019

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to call for a public hearing to consider this matter on February 6, 2019 beginning at 7:00 o'clock PM. Advertise in local newspaper.

4. Petition from Denise Asciola for Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Request for One Day Dancing and Entertainment License (July 11-14, 2019)

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license per the recommendation received and subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

F. PETITIONS - OTHER

1. Lynn Shaw, Bristol Merchants Association (resident entity), Co-Sponsor with East Bay Chamber of Commerce, Celebration of Style Fashion Show Request Permission to Sell and Serve Alcoholic Beverages on Town Property (Maritime Center) January 27, 2019

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Harbormaster

- c. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to approve this petition per the recommendations received and any conditions as delineated, and also subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

Prior to the vote taken, Bette Walpole, representing a co-sponsor, explained that this event will be a fundraising fashion show that will benefit the Highland Charter School (Warren) "think tank."

2. Rev. Henry P. Zinno, Jr., Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church for Use of Town Common and Permission to Sell and Serve Alcoholic Beverages during Annual Feast - July 11-14, 2019
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Chief of Police
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation

Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to grant this petition per the recommendations received and any and all conditions of record and also subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies.

3. Keith Maloney, President, Friends of Historic Bristol re Request (Town Council) Co-Sponsorship Donovan Rypkema Presentation and Main Street America Program

***LATE ITEM**

- a. Recommendation from Town Administrator and Economic Development Coordinator Vitale

Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to deny the petition for sponsorship but rather to encourage the petitioner to move forward on its own and perhaps partner with the Bristol Historical & Preservation Society and Roger Williams University if a partner is required.

Prior to the vote taken, Mr. Maloney addressed the Council and explained that his presence this evening is to request support of a speaker series. He credited Director of Community Development Williamson, Principal Planner Tanner and Economic Development Coordinator Vitale with their efforts toward the Town's support of historic preservation and its related tourism benefits. He suggested that the speaker series his organization proposed will supplement the efforts of those individuals.

Mr. Maloney explained that Mr. Rypkema is an expert who will illustrate his points using "real data" including "Bristol statistics."

Mr. Maloney also explained that his group plans to pay any fees charged by Mr. Rypkema and the Main Street America program representative Cathy LaPlante.

Mr. Maloney noted that he would like the Council to support and co-sponsor the eventual presentation, since this sponsorship would help illustrate its "leadership position" concerning the topics to be shared.

Mr. Maloney noted that other Rhode Island towns (Wakefield, North Kingstown and Tiverton) have expressed interest in the Main Street America program and that there is currently no Main Street America program in Rhode Island. He suggested that the Council may wish to assume a leadership position toward a Statewide program.

Mr. Maloney explained that there is a meeting planned for January 25, 2019 and that Representatives Donovan and Marshall have been invited and that the State of Connecticut and GrowSmart RI will participate. A discussion ensued regarding the State level structure for Main Street America.

Mr. Maloney noted that he first approached Town Administrator Contente about this matter and that Town Administrator Contente about sponsorship so that the meeting could be held in the Burnside Memorial Building and that Town Administrator Contente did not wish to co-sponsor the lectures.

Town Administrator Contente explained that he referred Mr. Maloney to the Council since he did not think it his place to sponsor this program alone. He added that he would support the Town's sponsorship if the Council agrees that doing so would be a good idea.

Mr. Maloney again explained that his request for co-sponsorship was to secure the use of the Burnside Building for small meetings which will be held with individuals during the daytime in preparation for the main presentations. He added that the main presentations will take place in St. Michael's Church across the street.

Director of Community Development Williamson stated that the Town already has a strong commitment to Historic Preservation and that the programs considered by Mr. Maloney's group could be considered as redundant to the existing efforts. She added that the infrastructure for the tenets of Main Street America is already in place in the Town. She added that her office did investigate Main Street America in the past and that there was no need to adopt this program. She added that she does not see a strong need for the Town to co-sponsor any effort toward promotion of the program.

Director of Community Development Williamson stated that if Growsmart RI wishes to "take it on" for a State program, then she will be happy to take another look.

Director of Community Development Williamson added that Economic Development Coordinator Vitale recently looked at Main Street America and found that it has an "intensive approval process" and that it is a separate, non-governmental program.

Councilman Sweeney asked to know if Mr. Maloney's group might wish to move forward without the sponsorship of the Town with Director of Community Development Williamson explaining that they may certainly consider the matter independent of the Town's sponsorship.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale shared some of his findings concerning Main Street America and noted that the program may be expensive to implement since it requires a full time Executive Director and a minimal operating budget of \$60,000.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale added that he also investigated the Main Street America program in New London, Connecticut, since this was the geographically closest program. He noted that he spoke to the program manager in New London and found that their program was adopted twenty years ago since the city lacked any type of downtown business advocacy group and that Main Street America provided this. He added that Main Street America in New London relies upon the financial support of the city and that this continues to be a struggle for them.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale noted that the Town already had several local business advocacy groups including Explore Bristol, Discover Newport, BMA, and the East Bay Chamber. He added that the Town allocated \$30,000 to tourism efforts already this year.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale also noted that the Town sponsors festivals (4th of July, Christmas Festival, etc.) to help promote local business and tourism and that the current program appears to be thriving. He noted that there was no data to prove that another program was necessary in Bristol at this time.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale noted that the Town Comprehensive Plan recommends that local business advocacy groups should be consolidated.

Councilman Ley suggested that there should be some measures for the current strategies and that the Town could be marketed for heritage tours, etc.

Director of Community Development Williamson explained that the Tourism Partnership is funded by the Town and that the purpose of this partnership is to promote the Town's businesses, restaurants, museums, etc., as a tourism destination. She added that there are promotion efforts on the Town's website and through the Harbormaster's transient dock and mooring program where local businesses are regularly promoted.

Director of Community Development Williamson added that there is also a walking tour App.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale noted that the Town is often featured in travel magazines as a destination with high standing and often achieves "one of the best" status in these magazines.

Economic Development Coordinator Vitale also noted that the Town is working with the East Bay Newspapers on the brochures that are distributed in local shops and in the Town's tourism kiosks.

Councilwoman Parella noted that the Town funded Economic Development Coordinator Vitale's position in support of tourism and other economic development strategies and also that the Town does contribute to the efforts of the Lou Hammond public relations firm. She added that if the Town is to expend further tax \$ on promotion, it should do so by increasing the work of

Hammond which has proven to be very successful already toward increasing national press about the Town.

Councilman Teixeira thanked Mr. Maloney and his group for their interest and suggested that they may wish to partner with Discover Newport or Explore Bristol.

Mr. Maloney noted that his group approached Explore Bristol but a meeting did not happen.

Mr. Maloney again noted that he was not asking the Town to join Main Street America but rather was looking for sponsorship of informational lectures about the concepts. He added that he has "not signed anything" with Main Street America.

Mr. Maloney suggested that hearing from the speakers he suggests will be superior to simply reviewing the information found on their websites. He added that Growsmart is "very interested" in his proposals for the lectures.

Mr. Maloney explained that he worked very hard to bring the RWU community closer to the town and that there was difficulty getting banners installed to affirm this effort. He added that he was also involved in the establishment of the walking tours.

Mr. Maloney stated that he hopes that Town officials will participate in the lectures, and take notes, even if the Town does not co-sponsor them.

Councilwoman Parella stated that there appears to be no specific reason for the Town to co-sponsor and that the Town does a lot already to support historic preservation. She noted that the Town Council defended its historic district zoning when some citizens asked for it to be abolished.

Mr. Maloney expressed concern that Bristol Historical & Preservation Society and other preservation groups exist in "silos" and that the goal of friends of Historic Bristol is to bring a "superstructure" over these silos.

Thomas Bergenholtz noted that Mr. Maloney did not ask for financial support and that having the lectures would be advantageous to present both sides of the story.

Councilman Ley thanked all of the speakers and added that he is concerned about the Town's sponsorship of any one advocate or advocacy group. He noted that there may be an opposing view and that it would be unfair to sponsor one side and not the other

and that it should not be the Town's business to sponsor any one's individual views.

G. APPOINTMENTS

1. Public Service Appointments - January

a. Board of Canvassers Alternate (term expires March 2020)

1. Carolyn Breslin - Resignation

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to send a letter of thanks for service to Ms. Breslin.

b. Board of Tenants' Affairs (2-year term expiring January 2021)

1. Donald F. Luminello Sr. - 1014 Hope Street - Interest/Reappointment

2. Michele P. Tanner (not seeking reappointment)

3. Carol Pouliot - 1014 Hope Street Interest/Appointment

4. Richard Hunter - 1014 Hope Street Interest/Appointment

Councilman Teixeira nominated Mr. Luminello for reappointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Mr. Luminello for the term to expire in January 2021.

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to send a letter of thanks for service to Ms. Tanner and also to arrange for an interview for Ms. Pouliot and Mr. Hunter for the Special Meeting to be held on February 13, 2018.

- c. Bristol Housing Authority (5-year term expiring January 2024)
 - 1. Manuel N. Cotta, Jr. - 32 San Miguel Drive - Interest/Reappointment
 - a. Recommendation from M. Candace Pansa, Executive Director, Bristol Housing Authority

Councilman Sweeney nominated Mr. Cotta for reappointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Mr. Cotta for the term to expire in January 2024.

- d. Christmas Committee - (1-year term expiring October 2019)
 - a. Recommendation - Chairman Michael Rielly

Councilwoman Parella nominated the slate of members as recommended and presented for appointment.

There were no counter nominations.

Parella/Sweeney - Voted to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of the slate as recommended to serve for the term to expire in October 2019. Voting in favor were Council Chairman Calouro, Councilman Sweeney, Councilwoman Parella and Councilman Ley. Councilman Teixeira was recused from the vote.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Teixeira recused himself from the vote and left the Council table.

After the vote taken, Councilman Teixeira returned to the Council table.

- e. Special Constables, Private Investigators, Matrons and Retiree Officers for 2019
 - 1. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Police Chief

Councilman Sweeney nominated the slate of Special Constables, Private Investigators, Matrons and Retiree Officers as presented and recommended for appointment.

There were no counter nominations.

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of the slate as presented and recommended for appointment for the ensuing term.

- f. Special Constables/Fire Police for 2019
 - 1. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

Councilman Sweeney nominated the slate of Special Constables/Fire Police as presented and recommended for appointment.

There were no counter nominations.

Parella/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of the slate as presented and recommended for appointment for the ensuing term.

- g. Assistant Harbormasters (1-year term
expiring January 2020)
 - 1. Alan D. Leach - 25 Pawtucket Avenue
Interest/Reappointment
 - 2. Charles A. Lombardo - 48 Constitution
Street
Interest/Reappointment
 - 3. Scott D. Marino - 131 Mulberry Road
Interest/Reappointment

4. John Motta - 87 Perry Street
Interest/Reappointment

- i. Recommendation - Harbormaster

Councilman Sweeney nominated the slate of Assistant Harbormasters as recommended by the Harbormaster.

There were no counter-nominations.

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of the slate as presented and recommended for appointment for the term to expire in January 2020.

- h. Auxiliary Harbormasters (1-year term
expiring January 2020)

1. Seth Alix - 1 Curtis Drive
Interest/Reappointment
 2. Matthew DeWolf - 16 Ridge Road
Interest/Reappointment
 3. George Gatos - 55 State Street
Interest/Reappointment
 4. Richard S. Medeiros - 8 Herzig Street
Interest/Reappointment
 5. Ryan A. Medeiros - 34 Basswood Drive
Interest/Reappointment

- i. Recommendation from Harbormaster

Councilwoman Parella nominated the slate of Auxiliary Harbormasters as recommended by the Harbormaster.

There were no counter-nominations.

Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of the slate as presented and recommended

for appointment for the term to expire
in January 2020.

- i. Conservation Commission (3-year term
expiring December 2021)
 - 1. Lee Ann Freitas - 134 Bayview Avenue
Interest/Appointment

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to
arrange for an interview for Ms.
Freitas to be held at the convenience
of the parties (possibly February 13,
2019)

- j. Joint Finance Committee (2-year term
expiring January 2021)
 - 1. Town Administrator Steven Contente re
Joint Finance Committee

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to
affirm the appointment of the Town
Administrator and Council Chairman
Calouro and to appoint the Councilman
Sweeney, Councilman Teixeira,
Councilwoman Parella and Councilman Ley
to also serve on the Joint Finance
Committee for the term to expire in
January 2021.

- k. Mt. Hope Trust (2-year term expiring
December 2020)
 - 1. Susan C. Maloney, 72 Griswold Avenue
Interest/Reappointment

Councilman Teixeira nominated Ms. Maloney for reappointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to
close nominations and to instruct the
Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of
Ms. Maloney for the term to expire in
December 2020.

1. North and East Burial Grounds Commission (5-year term expiring January 2024)

1. Scott F. Panella - 100 Peck Avenue
Interest/Reappointment

Councilman Sweeney nominated Mr. Panella for reappointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Mr. Panella for the term to expire in January 2024.

- m. Tree Warden for Year 2019

1. Steven Saracino, 219A Queens River Drive, West Kingston
Interest/Reappointment

- a. Edward P. Stuart Jr. re Tree
Warden Appointment

Councilman Teixeira nominated Mr. Saracino for reappointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

Teixeira/Parella- Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot in favor of Mr. Saracino for the ensuing term.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Calouro stated that he has received only positive comments about Mr. Saracino.

Councilman Teixeira agreed that Mr. Saracino is recognized for his professionalism.

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Council Chairman Calouro's Prerogative - VW "Dieselgate" Funds from December 19, 2018 Town Council Meeting

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to continue this matter until the meeting of February 6, 2019.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Calouro stated that he heard from Representative Marshall who wished to investigate this matter further and asked for a continuance.

I. OTHER NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

1. Public Notice from CRMC re Walter Pacheco - 24 Nathaniel Way, Belchertown, MA (Project Location 148 Narrows Road) requires response before February 2, 2019

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Harbormaster

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to instruct the Clerk to forward the comments expressed by the Harbormaster to the CRMC on behalf of the Council.

2. Public Notice from CRMC re Douglas and Kathryn O'Brien, 7941 Katy Freeway, Houston, TX (Project Location 461 Poppasquash Road) requires response before February 2, 2019

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Harbormaster

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

3. Annual Keep Bristol Clean 2019 Earth Day Cleanup and Recycling Program on April 27, 2019

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

4. Director of Community Development Williamson re Prudence Island Ferry Dock Grant Agreement with DOT

RI

Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to approve this grant agreement upon final review and/or amendment by the Town Solicitor and to authorize the Town

Administrator to sign on behalf of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, Town Administrator Contente explained that this grant will provide \$1.2 million for Prudence Ferry Dock repairs and that the grant requires the Town to provide matching funds in the amount of 20%.

5. Prudence Island Seasonal Parking

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to allow the annual parking fee to remain at \$850 per year.

Prior to the vote taken, a discussion ensued regarding the memorandum provided to the Town Administrator by the Harbormaster Marsili. Harbormaster Marsili suggested that since the ferry dock parking "tenants" will be parking in a less convenient place, he suggested that the parking fee might be reduced by \$100 for the season.

It was noted that the plan will relocate the tenant parkers to the Robin Rug lot currently leased by the Town.

Councilwoman Parella asked to know if this would leave room for those persons already using the lot with Harbormaster Marsili stating that there may not be room for them while the lot is being used by the tenants.

Town Administrator Contente noted that the Prudence ferry dock parking area is the only one owned by the Town and that the Town will have to provide parking for the eventual marina.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that the Town should attempt to gain more parking spaces in the Robin Rug lot. She noted that this would be particularly important while the Prudence Ferry dock is under repairs. She added that she is aware that the rent is expensive already.

Town Administrator Contente stated that some Prudence Island residents are currently renting from Mr. Karian (Robin Rug) already and that there is an opportunity for others to do so. He added that there may be a need to revisit the matter if there is a parking shortage.

Council Chairman Calouro agreed that it would be good practice to monitor the situation and revisit it as necessary.

Harbormaster Marsili noted that some of the Prudence residents put pressure on the Portsmouth to provide parking.

Council Chairman Calouro stated that he did not think it necessary to reduce the fee charged for the annual permit.

The Clerk noted that the \$850 was included in the Town Code with Town Solicitor Ursillo explaining that changing this fee would require an ordinance amendment.

Councilman Teixeira asked to know when the small Robin Rug lot would be opened with Town Administrator Contente responding that the Town leases this lot from May 1 through October 31.

J. BILLS & EXPENDITURES

1. Bid #896 (RFQ) Professional Engineering for Wastewater Related to Wastewater Treatment and Collection Systems

- a. Bid Tabulation (Supplemental)

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Town Administrator to act in the best interest of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, the Clerk read the following bid as received:

Beta Group, Inc.	Lincoln, RI	Qualifications Only
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2. Bid #897 Used Vehicle

- a. Bid Tabulation (Supplemental)

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Town Administrator to act in the best interest of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, the Clerk read the following bid as received:

Ryder Vehicle Sales	Warwick, RI	\$20,000
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It was noted that this bid is for a used vehicle to hold a WPCF jet unit. It was also noted that a new vehicle with the same capacity would cost \$80,000.

K. SPECIAL REPORTS

1. Allan Klepper, Barrington Director, BCWA
Report for January

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to receive and place this matter on file.

L. TOWN SOLICITOR

1. Town Solicitor re Request for Executive Session Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a) (5) Acquisition of Real Property

It is hereby noted for the record that action on this agenda item took place at the conclusion of the public agenda as found below.

M. INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AGENDA ITEMS

1. Calouro

a. Dom Luiz Filipe - Council Chairman Calouro congratulated the new officers of the Dom Luiz Filipe Society and note that these officers were installed on Sunday, January 12.

b. Website Cleanup - Council Chairman Calouro announced that the Town website has a new "look" and that it has been made more user friendly. He stated that the Town welcomes comments regarding this change.

2. Sweeney

a. Website Cleanup - Councilman Sweeney agreed with Council Chairman Calouro that the website has been improved.

b. Colt Andrews School - Councilman Sweeney congratulated Colt Andrews Elementary School for earning a place in the State's top twenty.

c. Opportunity Zone - Councilman Sweeney asked for an explanation of the Opportunity Zone with Economic

Development Coordinator Vitale explaining that this zone encourages investment in historically low income neighborhoods and that investors gain tax benefits in doing so.

3. Teixeira

a. Happy New Year - Councilman Teixeira noted that this is the first meeting of the year and extended New Year's wishes to those present.

b. Bristol Sports Club - Councilman Teixeira announced that he was the installing officer at the recent Bristol Sports Club installation of officers.

c. Davis and Martins - Councilman Teixeira recognized the videographer and Town Sergeant.

4. Parella

a. Happy New Year - Councilwoman Parella also extended New Year's wishes.

b. Police Recognition - Councilwoman Parella noted the recent Police Recognition Mass held at St. Mary's Church and stated that there was an impressive number of police officers in attendance including many retiree police officers. She added that she is hopeful that the event will be held again in the future.

c. Pink Bag Initiative - Councilwoman Parella noted that additional pink recycling bags will be available at the Town Hall and the Department of Public Works. She asked Economic Development Coordinator Vitale to make a post on Facebook and Twitter concerning the Pink Bag initiative.

5. Ley

a. LNG - Councilman Ley reported that he taught a January term course regarding the politics of Narragansett Bay and Mt. Hope Bay and that this course focused on the LNG battle that took place approximately 9 years ago. He credited local officials for their efforts toward the protection of the local environment.

N. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AGENDA ITEM(S)

1. Town Administrator Contente introduced those seated at the Department Head table.
2. Sewer Project - Town Administrator Contente noted that the sewer project will soon cross Ferry Road.
3. Williams Family - Town Administrator Contente stated that the Town is thankful to the Williams Family of Griswold Avenue which agreed to allow the Town to acquire 5000 square feet of land to accommodate the Water Pollution Control Plant drainage project.
4. Tanyard Brook Phase II - Town Administrator Contente reported that the Tanyard Brook culvert replacement project is about to cross Richmond Street.
5. Stony Hedge Farm - Town Administrator Contente reported that the Town secured the development rights of the 7 acre Stony Hedge Farm in the north part of Town. He noted that this acquisition was made possible through the financial support of the United States Department of Agriculture.
6. Open Space Acquisition - Town Administrator Contente noted that the Town recently acquired 14,000 square feet of open space on Dixon Avenue and 1.750 acres on Narrows Road and that these parcels are environmentally sensitive.
7. Winter Weather - Town Administrator Contente noted that the Town is doing its best to prepare for winter storms through tree trimming and patching potholes with hot patch two days per week, weather permitting.

CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM

ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM ON THE COUNCIL DOCKET MUST NOTIFY THE COUNCIL CLERK PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING.

Consent Agenda Items:

(CA) AA. SUBMISSION OF MINUTES-Boards and Commissions

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

1. Historic District Commission - November 29, 2018

2. Historic District Commission - December 6, 2018
3. Commissioners of the Cemeteries - September 12, 2018
4. Commissioners of the Cemeteries - October 10, 2018

(CA) BB. BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve these adjustments."

1. Tax Assessor DiMeo re Abatements & Additions for December 2018

(CA) CC. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

1. (Town Treasurer Goucher) re Revenue and Expenditure Statement - January 3, 2019

(CA) DD. PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS & CITATIONS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to adopt these Proclamations, Resolutions and Citations as prepared and presented."

1. Citation -

(CA) EE. UTILITY PETITIONS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve these petitions."

(CA) FF. UPCOMING APPOINTMENTS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve advertising these Appointments."

1. Public Service Appointments - January

(CA) GG. CITY & TOWN RESOLUTIONS NOT PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

(CA) HH. DISTRIBUTIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

1. Letter of Thanks to Alison Ring, Conservation Commission
2. East Bay Food Pantry & Thrift Shop
3. CRMC Harbor Management Plan Extension of Interim Approval
4. Resolution re Special Election for Representative District 68
5. Town Administrator Bid Award Letter to RMT Excavation Inc. for the Supply and Transport of Boulders
6. Town Administrator Bid #894 Award Letter to Wood Frame Structures, Inc. for the CDBG Home Repair Inspection/Design Specifications
7. Town Administrator Bid #895 Award Letter to North-Eastern Tree Service, Inc.
8. Town Administrator's Selection for Part-time Coordinator for Substance Abuse Prevention Task Force - Emily Pearce-Spence
9. Harbor Fees Resolution including Mooring and Harbor
10. Warrant - Jay Maciel, Conservation Commission
11. Warrant - Glenn L. Donovan, Conservation Commission
12. Warrant - Robert F. Faris, Board of Tax Assessment Review
13. Warrant - Elizabeth Rene, Personnel Board
14. Warrant - Wayne D. Marshall, Juvenile Hearing Board
15. Warrant - Linda Lou DuBois, Juvenile Hearing Board
16. Warrant - John B. Troiano, III, CRMC Alternate Member

17. MS Walk Event on Sunday, April 28, 2019

(CA) II. DISTRIBUTIONS/NOTICE OF MEETINGS
(Office copy only)

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to receive and place these items on file."

1. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Week of December 23, 2018
2. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Week of December 30, 2018
3. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Meeting Schedule for Year 2019
4. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - January 7, 2019
5. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Week of January 6, 2019
6. Christmas Festival Committee - January 7, 2019
7. Commissioners of Cemeteries - January 9, 2019
8. Conservation Commission - January 8, 2019
9. Harbor Commission - Meeting Schedule for Year 2019
10. Harbor Commission - January 7, 2019
11. Historic District Commission - January 3, 2019
12. Historic District Commission - January 3, 2019 Revised
13. Housing Authority - Meeting Schedule for Year 2019
14. Planning Board - January 10, 2019
15. Zoning Board of Review - Meeting Schedule for Year 2019
16. Zoning Board of Review - January 7, 2019

17. Zoning Board of Review - January 7, 2019 Amended
18. Bristol County Water Authority - January 8, 2019
19. Technical Review Committee - January 9, 2019
20. Historic District Commission- January 24, 2019

(CA) JJ. CLAIMS (REFERRALS)

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to refer these items to the Insurance Committee and at its discretion to the Interlocal Trust."

1. Timothy P. Serbst and Pamela Serbst - 7 Basswood Drive re Claim for Damages
2. Susan J. Darmody - 12 Gloria Street re Claim for Damages
3. Jill Cabral - 12 Cherry Lane re Claim for Damages

(CA) KK. CLAIMS (DENIALS)

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to deny these claims and refer same to the Insurance Committee and the Interlocal Trust for response to claimant."

(CA) LL. CURB CUT PETITIONS AS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to grant this curb cut per the recommendation of, and any conditions specified by, the Director of Public Works."

(CA) MM. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS REQUIRING COUNCIL APPROVAL

Approval of consent agenda="Motion to approve these items."

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to convene in Executive Session pursuant to RIGL Section 42-46-5 (a) (5) concerning sale and/or acquisition of real property at 8:47 o'clock PM.

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to resume open session and seal the minutes of the Executive Session at 9:37 o'clock PM.

Council Chairman Calouro announced that action was taken in Executive Session.

There being no further business, upon a motion by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilman Teixeira the Chairman declared this meeting to be adjourned at 9:38 o'clock PM.

Louis P. Cirillo, CMC, Council Clerk