

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING - WEDNESDAY EVENING - JUNE 5, 2019

PRESENT: Calouro, Sweeney, Teixeira, Parella and Ley

ALSO PRESENT: Steven Contente, Town Administrator
Andrew M. Teitz, Assistant Town Solicitor
A. Archie Martins, Town Sergeant

The Council met in regular session on Wednesday evening, June 5, 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 withholding agenda items HH10 and HH12 for further consideration.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Teixeira asked that agenda items HH10 and HH12 might be withheld for further consideration.

A. SUBMISSION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Town Council Meeting - May 15, 2019

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

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Sai Viswanath, et al, for Thames Street Landing Tavern Co., LLC, d/b/a DeWolf Tavern, 259 Thames Street - Request for Temporary Expansion of Class BV Intoxicating Beverage Licensed Premises for 6th Annual Oyster Festival Fundraiser, June 16, 2019 (see agenda item D1 also)

a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief

b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing.

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Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to grant this expansion of premises based upon 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.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Calouro opened the Public Hearing.

Speaking in favor of the petition was Gary Senuick (no address given) who stated that he appreciated the Council's consideration of the temporary expansion of premises.

Mr. Senuick explained the details of the proposed event and explained that it will include food option, "kid events," and hopefully a boat ride. He added that the Statesman Tavern and Bristol Oyster Bar will also participate in the event which will be held on Father's Day.

Also speaking in favor was Nathan Bergenholtz of 14 Mt. Hope Avenue who explained that he represents the recipient of the proceeds from the event - Colt Andrews Elementary School Parents Group. He noted that the funds will be utilized to "level the playing field" for Colt-Andrews students in that it will provide funding for field trips. He added that the funding will also support the Colt-Andrews teachers.

No one else spoke in favor of the petition and no remonstrance was presented in opposition thereto.

2. Director of Community Development Williamson re Harbor Management Plan and Ordinance 5-Year Update (2018-2019), (see agenda item C1 also), **2nd reading for adoption**

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to continue this Public Hearing until the meeting of June 26, 2019.

Prior to the vote taken, Council Chairman Calouro opened the Public Hearing.

The Clerk noted that Director of Community Development Williamson has asked for a continuance of the matter until the

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next Council meeting in order to clarify some fine points in the plan.

C. ORDINANCES

1. Director of Community Development Williamson re Harbor Management Plan and Ordinance 5-Year Update (2018-2019), (see agenda item B2 above), **2nd reading for adoption**

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to continue this matter until the meeting of June 26, 2019.

2. Ordinance #2019-01, Chapter 27, Taxation, Article I, In General, (new) Section 27-13, Disabled Veterans' Tax Credit (to establish disabled veterans' tax credit), **2nd reading for adoption (continued from May 15, 2019)**

- a. Abstract of Minutes of August 22, 2018, September 25, 2018 and November 20, 2018

Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to consider this action to constitute the Second Reading for adoption of Ordinance #2019-01 (as amended per the verbal recommendation of the Assistant Town Solicitor). Advertise in local newspaper.

Prior to the vote taken, Assistant Solicitor Teitz noted some (non-substantive) amendments to allow for a surviving spouse to continue to receive the exemption and also to clarify that the percentage of the exemption based upon the payout allowed by the Veterans Administration.

Assistant Solicitor Teitz agreed to provide a "clean" copy of the ordinance for publication and codification.

3. Ordinance #2019-05, Chapter 16, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article II, Administration and Enforcement, Section 16-45-16-46, Article V, Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 16-151, Article X, Harbor Parking Zone, Section 16-376-16-378, 16-382 (Harbor/ Marina and Ferry Parking), **2nd reading for adoption**

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Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to consider this action to constitute the Second Reading for adoption of Ordinance #2019-05. Advertise in local newspaper.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Teixeira asked to know if there is a plan to place proper signage in the parking lots with Town Administrator Contente responding that the signage will be installed.

4. Ordinance #2019-06, Chapter 11, Fees and Charges, Section 11-1(65)(e), Prudence Ferry Dock—Fine for non-payment of parking fee, Section 11-1(77), Parking fee(s) Prudence Ferry Dock (to redefine and remove Prudence Ferry Dock parking fees from fee schedule and Replace with Town Council Resolution), (see agenda item I4 also), **2nd reading for adoption**

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to consider this action to constitute the Second Reading for adoption of Ordinance #2019-06. Advertise in local newspaper.

5. Ordinance #2019-08, Chapter 17, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article II, Alcoholic Beverage Establishments, Section 17-82, Number of licenses (to increase number of BV limited licenses from 5 to 6), **1st reading**

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to consider this action to constitute the first reading of Ordinance #2019-08. Advertise in local newspaper.

D. LICENSING BOARD - NEW PETITIONS

1. Sai Viswanath, et al, for Thames Street Landing Tavern Co., LLC, d/b/a DeWolf Tavern, 259 Thames Street - Request for Temporary Expansion of Class BV Intoxicating Beverage Licensed Premises for 6th Annual Oyster Festival Fundraiser, June 16, 2019 (see agenda item B1 above)

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It is hereby noted for the record that discussion and action concerning this agenda item took place as part of agenda item B1 as found above.

2. Nathan Avedissian, d/b/a Classic Pizza & Grill, 349 Metacom Avenue - Request for New Class BV Limited Liquor License, **call for public hearing June 26, 2019**

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to call for a public hearing to consider this matter on June 26, 2019. Advertise in local newspaper.

3. Fernando L. Brum, for United Brotherhood of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity/St. Elizabeth's Church, 577 Wood Street - Request for One-Day Dancing and Entertainment License, June 8, 2019

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief
- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to grant this license 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.

4. Fernando L. Brum, for United Brotherhood of the Holy Spirit & Holy Trinity/St. Elizabeth's Church, 577 Wood Street - Request for One-Day Dancing and Entertainment Licenses, June 14, 15 and 16, 2019

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief
- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to grant this license per the

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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.

5. Joao D. Medeiros, for Santo Cristo Committee/St. Elizabeth's Church, 577 Wood Street - Request for One-Day Dancing and Entertainment Licenses, June 21, 22 and 23, 2019

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief
- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to grant this license 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.

6. Richard Corrente, d/b/a Portside Tavern, 444 Thames Street - Request to Extend Hours of Operation for Class BV Liquor License from 11:00 PM to 1:00 AM

- a. Recommendation - Fire Chief

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted to grant this extension of hours subject to a three month review. Voting in favor of this motion were Council Chairman Calouro, Councilman Sweeney, Councilman Teixeira and Councilman Ley. Voting opposed was Councilwoman Parella.

Prior to the vote taken, it was noted that Acting Police Chief Peters provided a late-item recommendation that did not recommend the additional hours.

Councilwoman Parella stated that she was concerned that the establishment is located in a residential area and, although she

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believes that Mr. Corrente is doing a good job with the Portside, she does not support the late-night close.

7. Richard Corrente, d/b/a Portside Tavern, 444 Thames Street - Request for Temporary Expansion of Class BV Liquor License, June 20 - July 4, 2019
 - a. Recommendation - Fire Chief
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Director of Public Works

Sweeney/Ley - Voted to grant a temporary expansion of the licensed premises for a period of time commencing on June 20, 2019 and ending on July 4, 2019, provided however that there shall be no more than 100 persons in the expanded service area at any one time and that the expanded service area shall close no later than 10:00 o'clock PM with an allowance for a later closing time on July 3 to coincide with the conclusion of the public fireworks. Said expansion is also subject to conformance to all laws and ordinances and payment of all fees, taxes, and levies. Voting in favor of this motion were Council Chairman Calouro, Councilman Sweeney, Councilman Teixeira and Councilman Ley. Voting opposed was Councilwoman Parella.

Prior to the vote taken, it was noted that Acting Police Chief Peters provided a late-item recommendation that did not recommend the expansion of licensed premises.

Councilwoman Parella stated that she has been worried about the further expansion of sale of alcoholic beverages in this area. She noted that the Police Department reports that the area may accommodate up to 180 persons and that more persons consuming alcoholic beverages may further strain the police at the concerts. She noted the report that the situation may be difficult to monitor and reminded those present that the concert series, with its large number of participants, poses security

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concerns already. She added that granting this expansion is "asking for trouble."

Richard Corrente, the petitioner, stated that he did not anticipate more than 100 persons and that the outdoor tent will have 3-4 extra security in addition to the cooks and servers he plans to hire to work in the tent.

Mr. Corrente noted that he has 20 years of experience as a restaurateur in a similar type of establishment and that similar operations ran well under his supervision.

Mr. Corrente explained that the tent will be for customers who are at least 21 years old and further explained that he plans to hire 8 or 9 persons for part-time jobs for this expansion. He also described the layout of the area, suggesting that it has a "lovely view of the concerts."

Councilman Ley stated that he thought that the operation described was similar to that of Quito's.

Acting Chief of Police Peters expressed concern that Mr. Corrente plans to have a "standing room only" operation which would be unique. He added that a 30 X 30 tent can hold over 150 persons and that there is a need to consult the fire marshal. He also added that the Police Department and Special Constables already have a considerable job to do during the celebration and that this will make an additional strain on the available public safety resources.

Councilman Sweeney asked Mr. Corrente to comment on how he plans to manage this crowd.

Mr. Corrente responded that he anticipates a crowd of 100 persons and that he believes this number to be easily manageable with the security he plans to have in place. He added that he would hire additional security if the crowd is larger than 100.

Council Chairman Calouro stated that he agrees with Acting Police Chief Peters and added that Mr. Corrente might be afforded the opportunity to prove himself. He added that the area is already a challenge for the Police Department and that he is concerned that "something might happen." He suggested that if the Council is to grant this expansion, it may choose to set limit the number of customers at 100. He added that the Council would likely wish to receive an "after action" report from the Police Department.

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Mr. Corrente stated that he was agreeable to the 100 person limit and that the on-site manager will keep an accurate head count.

Councilwoman Parella stated that she could not support the request and that her concerns have nothing to do with this particular petitioner. She explained her concerns that the 3rd of July is "scary" and noted that there have been many security concerns raised in recent years.

Councilwoman Parella noted that the Town takes responsibility to assure safety and that security concerns have heightened since the Boston Marathon bombing several years ago. She noted that the Town employs many different types of security forces and that the location of Mr. Corrente's establishment is particularly busy at that time of year. Councilwoman Parella stated that adding the additional bar area for standing patrons is "asking for trouble" and that she is also concerned about setting a precedent for other similar requests.

Councilwoman Parella also noted that the Police Department and Administration has done a good job with safety planning, etc., and that she did not wish to see this compromised. She added that she does not believe that "beer gardens" are appropriate during the 4th of July celebration downtown.

Mr. Corrente assured the Council that he plans to be "out there" while the "beer garden" will be operating.

Councilman Teixeira stated that he, too, has concerns about the petitioner's request and stated that he would not vote in favor of the expansion of premises unless there is a 100 person limit.

Councilman Sweeney asked to know the "risk factor" with 100 persons.

Acting Police Chief Peters stated that he remains concerned even considering a 100 person limit.

Mr. Corrente stated that the road closing during the Concert Series renders his parking lot otherwise useless.

Councilwoman Parella noted that business patrons are provided access to on-site parking lots even when the road is closed for special events.

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8. Justin Marks, d/b/a Wink, 17 State Street, 1st Floor - Request for Holiday Sales License
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Fire Chief
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police

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

9. Fabio Lopes, d/b/a Bristol Sunset Café, 499 Hope Street - Request for Sidewalk Use License
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Code Compliance Coordinator
 - b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Director of Public Works

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

Prior to the vote taken, the Clerk noted the receipt of a late-item (positive) recommendation from the Police Department.

10. Christian Ferreira, Christian's Wood Fired Grille, LLC, d/b/a Christian's, 382 Thames Street - Request for Transfer of Class BV Liquor License to: Ryan Roberge, Roberge Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Christian's, **call for public hearing June 26, 2019**

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to call for a Public Hearing to consider this matter for Wednesday, June 26, 2019 beginning at 7:00 o'clock PM. Advertise in local newspaper.

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E. LICENSING BOARD - RENEWALS

F. PETITIONS - OTHER

1. Louis A. Cabral, PO Box 585, Tiverton, RI - Request for Removal of Accessible Parking Space at 27 Thompson Avenue, **2nd reading**

- a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Director of Public Works
- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to consider this action to constitute the Second Reading for removal of an accessible parking space per the recommendations received. Inform Public Works Department.

2. Joyce Formisano, 35 Catherine Street - Request for Accessible Parking Space, **2nd reading**

- a. Recommendation - Director of Public Works
- b. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Interim Chief of Police
- c. Town Clerk Cirillo to Petitioner re Request for Updated Placard

Parella/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Acting Chief of Police and also continue this matter until the meeting of June 26, 2019.

Prior to the vote taken, Interim Police Chief Peters stated that his department is recommending approval since there are three units in the building and more than three vehicles. He added that the petitioner must park on the street if all of the three spaces are occupied.

Councilman Teixeira stated that his is familiar with the area in question and visited the site recently. He added that the area

is already very difficult for parking since there are many residential units and very few on-street parking spaces.

Councilman Ley expressed concern about the petitioner's assertion that she has "mobility issues" and that she may need a parking space closer to the front of the house.

Councilman Teixeira suggested that the off-street parking area has better accessibility.

Council Chairman Calouro suggested that the matter might be continued for one meeting in order to take the time to obtain some additional information and that the landlord might be able to provide a dedicated accessible spot for the petitioner.

Councilman Sweeney stated that he did not believe that the Council has enough information to make a decision.

Councilwoman Parella stated that this may be a landlord-tenant issue and that the Town may be able to facilitate a discussion.

Acting Police Chief Peters agreed to have an officer reach-out to the various parties.

3. Joseph A. Soares, 116 Mt. Hope Avenue - Request for No Parking, West Side of Wood Street, South of Church Street Intersection
 - a. Recommendation - Town Administrator and Director of Public Works
 - b. Recommendation - Interim Chief of Police

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Public Works Department which will, in-turn, mark a fifteen-foot long parking box on the westerly side of Wood Street at the subject intersection.

Prior to the vote taken, a discussion ensued regarding the proposed no parking area with Acting Police Chief Peters noting that a fifteen foot no parking area at this corner should suffice.

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Councilwoman Parella stated that fifteen feet is "standard" and that she would be concerned about making a longer no parking area since parking in the area is already scarce.

Councilman Teixeira stated that he has "seen some close calls" at this particular intersection.

4. Susan Rancourt, 3 Mayo Drive, Warren (for Rhode Races & Events in partnership with Bristol 4th of July Committee - Request modification to existing Council Approved 5th Annual Half Marathon Race, June 29, 2019
 - a. Initial Approval of Event (Abstract of Council Minutes of August 22, 2018)

Parella/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to deny this petition.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilwoman Parella stated that the request appears to be ridiculous since the event takes place in the early morning hours. She expressed concern that there are residences nearby and that the residents would be disturbed by the music and announcements. She noted that all of the activities held in the park should be done so with respect for the neighbors.

Council Chairman Calouro agreed with Councilwoman Parella and agreed that although the race is "wonderful" the music and announcements would not be welcome.

G. APPOINTMENTS

1. Public Service Appointments
 - a. Board of Canvassers - Alternate (to fill unexpired term ending March 2020)
 1. Thomas M. Carroll, Chairman, Republican Town Committee re Recommendation for Appointment - Peter A. Hewett, 11 Wendy Drive

Councilwoman Parella nominated Mr. Hewett for appointment.

There were no counter-nominations.

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

b. Christmas Festival Committee 2018-2019

1. (Michael J. Rielly, Chairman) re Recommendation for Appointment - Christine Auerswald, 98 State Street
2. Michael J. Rielly, Chairman re Recommendation for Appointment - Jennifer Abate, 19 Orchard Street

Councilman Teixeira nominated Ms. Auerswald and Ms. Abate for appointment as recommended by the Christmas Festival Committee.

There were no counter-nominations.

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to close nominations and to instruct the Clerk to cast one ballot each in favor of Ms. Auerswald and Ms. Abate for the remainder of the ensuing term.

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Sara Pardee, 18 Monkey Wrench Lane, et al - Request for Removal of Street Light on Pole #11-1 (Last Considered May 15, 2019)
 - a. Code Compliance Coordinator Falcoa re Monkey Wrench Lane Light Pole #11-1

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

Prior to the vote taken, Ms. Pardee appeared before the Council and thanked its honorable body for its interest in the problem. She stated that she was comfortable to speak for all of those persons who signed the petition in acceptance of the "compromise."

Ms. Pardee asked to be informed about "anything" that may come up in the future with Council Chairman Calouro stating that it

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would be logistically impossible to do this for everyone and reminded those present that all Council action items are published, in advanced, in both print and electronic forms.

I. OTHER NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

1. (Town Administrator Contente) re RI Resource Recovery Corporation Solid Waste and Recycling Services Agreement

a. Solid Waste Diversion Plan

b. RI Resource Recovery Corporation Policies

Teixeira/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to approve this agreement and to authorize the Town Administrator to sign on behalf of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, Town Administrator Contente reported that there will be no change in the tipping-fee rate for two years.

Council Chairman Calouro stated that this is good news since there was a significant increase pending.

Town Administrator Contente also reported that RIRRC will not be providing a "rebate" for recyclables.

A discussion ensued regarding the collection of trash at businesses with Town Administrator Contente explaining that Bristol is the only community in the State that still picks up trash from business establishments.

It was noted that the process will change when the Town converts its trash collection to the new automated system.

Councilwoman Parella expressed concern that some small businesses may not have enough trash to consider having a dumpster.

Town Administrator Contente noted that there are commercial rubbish packers which collect trash along an established route for a nominal fee.

Councilman Sweeney stated that he supports the plan to phase-out commercial trash collection by the Town.

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2. Director of Community Development Williamson re Draft Ordinance - Food Trucks - Call for Joint Workshop with the Planning Board

- a. Assistant Town Solicitor Goins re Food Trucks - Draft Ordinance

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Chairman and the Clerk to arrange a special meeting at the convenience of the parties.

3. (draft) Resolution - Bristol Fourth of July Celebration 2019

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to adopt this Resolution as written.

4. (draft) Resolution re Prudence Ferry Dock and Marina Parking Fees (see agenda item C4 also)

Teixeira/Parella - Voted unanimously to adopt this Resolution as written.

5. Town Administrator Contente re Lease of Parking Lot - Northeast Corner of Thames and Church Streets

Sweeney/Parella - Voted unanimously to approve this lease and authorize the Town Administrator to sign on behalf of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, Town Administrator Contente noted that this is the smaller parking lot, leased in previous years seasonally. He added that there appears to be a need for additional parking due to the recent addition of the Providence/Newport ferry stop. He added that there is a plan to charge \$10 per day for overnight parking which should produce some revenue.

Councilwoman Parella suggested that the \$10 may be too inexpensive. She noted that other communities charge a higher rate.

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It was noted that the Council can amend its parking fee resolution at any advertised meeting and that the Council may consider a higher fee should it wish to do so in the future.

6. Town Administrator Contente re Golf Course Lease

a. Draft Lease

Parella/Sweeney - Voted unanimously to approve this lease and authorize the Town Administrator to sign on behalf of the Town.

Prior to the vote taken, Town Administrator Contente explained that this lease is to allow the current golf course operator to maintain the fairways and greens during the period of time that the golf course is closed for renovations.

It was noted that the Town is in receipt of a grant to complete some improvements to the golf course.

Town Administrator Contente noted that this lease will be temporary and that there will be a full-RFP for a course operator once the improvements are complete.

7. Councilman Sweeney re Information Regarding Backyard Composting

Sweeney/Teixeira - Voted unanimously to refer this matter to the Town Administrator so that he may determine the appropriate next-steps.

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Sweeney stated that household composting would allow for removing organic matter from rubbish and will reduce tipping fees.

David McLaughlin of 3 Haskell Avenue, Newport, explained that he represents Clean Ocean Access, an organization that encourages environmentally responsible behavior. He added that his group supports composting efforts through instruction and subsidy.

He explained that rubbish can be diverted through composting away from landfills and that his organization is managing a grant to compost residential and restaurant food waste.

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Mr. McLaughlin explained that subsidies from the grant provide \$100 composting bins at \$40 and that he has 50 units ready for distribution. He suggested that the Town could subsidize the cost further if it wished to do so.

Councilman Sweeney asked about workshops for compost training with Mr. McLaughlin explaining that this, too, is part of the grant and that workshops are designed to instruct and mentor persons who wish to learn how to make compost. He added that most who have taken advantage of the program compost in their back yards. He added that some people who attend the workshops decide that composting is not for them.

Mr. McLaughlin explained that 20% of Aquidneck Island residents are participating in some type of composting program.

Councilwoman Parella asked to know if there is a curbside pick-up component with Mr. McLaughlin explaining that there is a residential collection program which provides a place for dropping off food waste.

Councilwoman Parella noted that Hope & Main at one time had yellow collection buckets at its farmer's market and that these are now absent.

Mr. McLaughlin explained that there are two farmers markets accepting compost material on Aquidneck Island and that there is a desire to expand upon these.

A discussion ensued regarding the scope of the project with Councilman Sweeney suggesting that it may be advisable to start first with backyard composting.

Councilman Ley noted that the Town spends \$600,000 per year on tipping fees and that a composting program may reduce this cost.

Councilman Teixeira stated that a composting program is "taking hold" in Little Compton.

Town Administrator Contente asked about the availability of the backyard composting bins with Mr. McLaughlin explaining that these bins typically sell for \$80-\$145 and that his organization provides these at \$40 through its grant subsidy.

Mr. McLaughlin explained that interested parties may sign-up on his organization's website and attend an instruction workshop

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which lasts one hour. He added that after the workshop, these participants may pay the \$40 and receive a bin.

Councilman Sweeney suggested that the Town may wish to contribute \$1000 to "get it going."

J. BILLS & EXPENDITURES

1. Bid #902 - Prudence Island Ferry Dock Phase II Pier Repairs, **continued from May 15, 2019**

- a. Bid Tabulation

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 bids as received:

Regan Construction Corp.	Middletown, RI	\$1,493,235.00
Specialty Diving Services	N. Kingstown, RI	\$1,679,580.00
New England Building & Bridge	Providence, RI	\$1,412,850.00
Biszco Building Systems	Fall River, MA	\$1,454,567.50

Council Chairman Calouro asked to know the amount of the Grant received to support this project with Town Administrator Contente responding that the amount of the Federal Grant was \$1.1 million.

2. Bid #909 - Tilbury Drive Drainage Improvements

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:

JML Excavation, Inc.	Bristol, RI	\$39,089.65
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3. Bid #910 - Property Marketing and Lease Management Services for Town-Owned Rental Properties

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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 reported that no bids were received for this item.

K. SPECIAL REPORTS

L. TOWN SOLICITOR

M. INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AGENDA ITEMS

1. Calouro

It is hereby noted for the record that Council Chairman Calouro chose to speak his prerogative items after Agenda item N1.

a. Father's Day - Council Chairman Calouro extended Father's Day wishes to all fathers and especially to his father Moses Calouro

b. Library Program - Council Chairman Calouro mentioned the recent library drag queen story hour and stated that he is fine with choice but expressed concern and disappointment about the "nastiness" on both sides of the issue. Council Chairman Calouro stated that he heard about "horrible, terrible" posts on social media on both sides of the issue and suggested that the public may be better advised to follow the rules of respect and professionalism since the alternative should be considered as unacceptable.

c. Silver Creek Bridge - Council Chairman Calouro stated that he has been well informed about the situation regarding the replacement of the Silver Creek Bridge and reported that the Council endeavors to be business friendly and that it cares about the best interest of everyone in Town, including the business owners, very deeply. He noted that he and Town Administrator Contente met with State officials and have asked for a "fact sheet" about the project which will address everyone's questions concerning

temporary and prefabricated bridges and also provide a timeline for the project.

Council Chairman Calouro stated that the timeline will consider many aspects of the project as it relates to the heating season, the school year, and the Fourth of July Celebration. Council Chairman Calouro expressed concern that there must be a relocation of a gas main by National Grid and that this poses certain challenges and dangers that must be carefully considered.

Council Chairman Calouro repeated that he cares deeply about the business community but that the first priority is public safety.

Council Chairman Calouro noted that everyone involved is looking at ways to make the bridge closure easier on the public and that there is a plan to advertise the route to businesses and that the Town plans to put a good amount of energy into this.

In closing, Council Chairman Calouro stated that there is no reason for rudeness on anyone's part and that everyone should endeavor to treat each other with respect.

Councilman Teixeira stated that he agreed with Council Chairman Calouro 110%.

2. Sweeney

a. Flag Day - Councilman Sweeney noted the approach of Flag Day on June 14.

b. Father's Day - Councilman Sweeney also noted the approach of Father's Day.

c. Pride Month - Councilman Sweeney noted that June is "Pride Month" and mentioned the library's drag queen story hour and stated that he was "blown-away" from the local support of the LGBTQ community and that he applauds the library on its decision to reinstate the story hour shortly after cancelling it.

3. Teixeira

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a. Chief Marshal - Councilman Teixeira congratulated Chief Marshal James Farley upon the receipt of his Chief Marshal Medallion.

b. Father's Day - Councilman Teixeira noted the approach of Father's Day.

c. Portuguese Feasts - Councilman Teixeira noted the approach of the various Portuguese feasts to be held at St. Elizabeth's Parish.

d. 45th Anniversary - Councilman Teixeira announced that he and Mrs. Jacqueline Teixeira are celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary this month.

4. Parella

a. 4th of July Events - Councilwoman Parella noted that this year's 4th of July Events are already beginning.

b. Firefighter's Memorial Sunday - Councilwoman Parella noted that Firefighter's Sunday will be observed on Sunday, June 9 beginning with a Mass at St. Mary's Church followed by the annual parade and exercises at Firefighter's Park. She added that the Town is very fortunate to have a volunteer Fire Department.

c. Father's Day - Councilwoman Parella also offered Father's Day greetings.

5. Ley

a. Health Equity Zone Dinner - Councilman Ley reported there will be a great event to support drug overdose awareness on June 12, 2019 from 5:30 until 7:30.

b. Decisions - Councilman Ley stated that it is sometime okay to walk back on decisions and that he has spent a lot of time in libraries. He noted that the Town of Bristol welcomes people to its library.

N. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AGENDA ITEM(S)

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1. Infrastructure - Town Administrator Contente reported on a sewer project to improve sewer lines in the Leahy Drive, Sowams Road, Sweeney Lane and Rosedale Drive area of Town.

2. Lincoln Club and RWU - Town Administrator Contente commended the Lincoln Club and Roger Williams University on their partnership to bring a semi-professional European football (soccer) league to Bristol. He noted that the team's first game was held at the University's Bayside Stadium.

3. Fathers' Day - Town Administrator Contente also noted the upcoming observance of Fathers' Day and offered thanks to all of the "dads."

CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM

PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK DURING THE CITIZENS PUBLIC FORUM 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. Conservation Commission - February 5, 2019
2. Conservation Commission - March 6, 2019
3. Conservation Commission - April 9, 2019
4. Harbor Commission - May 6, 2019
5. Historic District Commission - April 4, 2019
6. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - April 22, 2019
7. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - Special Meeting, May 1, 2019

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8. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - May 13, 2019
9. Rogers Free Library Board of Trustees - January 29, 2019
10. Rogers Free Library Board of Trustees - February 19, 2019

(CA) BB. BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

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

1. Tax Assessor DiMeo re Recommended Abatements & Additions - May 2019

(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 - May 29, 2019

(CA) DD. PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS & CITATIONS

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

1. Commendation - Liam Teixeira, Eagle Scout Court of Honor

(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 - July

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

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

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1. Susan M. Dillon, Foster Town Clerk - Resolution re Declared "Second Amendment Sanctuary Town"
2. Jennifer M. West, Portsmouth Town Clerk - Resolution in Support of Legislation to Establish an Ocean State Climate Adaptation and Resilience Fund (OSCAR)

(CA) HH. DISTRIBUTIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

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

1. Warrant - Derek Tipton, Zoning Board of Review, 1st Alternate
2. Sidewalk Use License Renewal Petition - C+R Mercantile (granted May 15, 2019)
3. Town Solicitor Ursillo to Cheryl Iiams, 10 Naomi Street re Naomi Street Lease
4. Julie A. Coelho, CMC, Warren Town Clerk - Resolution Regarding S-410 and H-5671 on Plastic Bag Bans to Amend the Language to Exclude the Uniformity Clause
5. (Julie A. Coelho, CMC, Warren Town Clerk) - Resolution re Stabilization of State Educational Aid
6. Warrant - Richard Hunter, Board of Tenants' Affairs
7. Warrant - Kathleen J. Moran, North and East Burial Grounds Commission, Auxiliary Member
8. Warrant - Donald S. Kern, Zoning Board of Review
9. Jennifer M. West, Portsmouth Town Clerk - Resolution in Support of an Amended "Plastic Waste Reduction Act"
10. Walter Wiles, Project Manager, Consents and Compound Expansion, American Tower Corporation re License Agreement dated April 10, 1997, etc. - Notice for Equipment Modification

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

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Teixeira asked to know if the conditions of the lease are the same as they were previously with Town Administrator Contente explaining that there are no changes and that the lease was renewed in 2018. He added that it is more advantageous for the Town to lease the tower rather than sell it.

11. Town Administrator Contente to Cardi Corporation of Warwick, RI re Award of Bid #907 - Road Resurfacing Project
12. Town Treasurer Goucher re S&P Ratings Report - Affirmation of AA+ Rating

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

Prior to the vote taken, Councilman Teixeira suggested that information regarding the Town's bond rating might be included on the Town Website. It was suggested that the information might include the advantages that a good bond rating brings to the Town.

Town Treasurer Goucher agreed to provide this information.

13. Warrant - Donald Hemond, Capital Project Commission

(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 District-Schedule of Meetings - Week of May 12, 2019
2. Bristol Warren Regional School District-Personnel/ Contract Negotiations Subcommittee - May 13, 2019
3. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - May 13, 2019
4. Bristol Housing Authority - May 16, 2019

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5. Bristol County Water Authority—Board of Directors
- Special Meeting, May 16, 2019
6. Bristol County Water Authority—Board of Directors
- Special Meeting, May 20, 2019
7. Fourth of July Committee—Float Subcommittee - May
16, 2019
8. Zoning Board of Review - June 3, 2019
9. Fourth of July Committee—Freedom Raffle Subcommittee
- May 29, 2019
10. Fourth of July Committee—Parade Subcommittee -
May 29, 2019
11. Bristol Warren Regional School District—Schedule
of Meetings - Week of May 19, 2019
12. Bristol Warren Regional School District—Budget/
Facilities Subcommittee - May 20, 2019
13. Fourth of July Committee - May 22, 2019
14. Zoning Board of Review - June 13, 2019
15. Bristol Warren Regional School District—Schedule
of Meetings - Week of May 26, 2019
16. Bristol Warren Regional School District—Budget/
Facilities Subcommittee - May 28, 2019
17. Bristol Warren Regional School
District—Personnel/ Contract Negotiations
Subcommittee - May 28, 2019
18. Bristol Warren Regional School Committee - May
28, 2019
19. Bristol County Water Authority—Personnel/Compensation
Committee - May 30, 2019
20. Bristol County Water Authority - Annual Meeting,
May 30, 2019

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21. Bristol County Water Authority—Board of Directors
- May 30, 2019 (amended)
22. Technical Review Committee - June 4, 2019
23. Christmas Festival Committee - June 3, 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."

(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."

There being no further business, upon a motion by Councilman Teixeira, seconded by Councilman Sweeney and voted unanimously, the Chairman declared this meeting to be adjourned at 9:04 o'clock PM.

Louis P. Cirillo, CMC, Council Clerk