

**Jamestown Chamber of Commerce
Minutes for Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, June 6, 2019
5:30pm
Conanicut Brewing**

Present: Ben Thomas, Will Tuttle (Sec.), Monique Paquin (Executive Director), Cathleen Studley (Treas.), Claudine Charron (Pres.), Jamie Munger, Susan Hackman (VP1), Iain Wilson (VP2), Charlotte McGregor, and Bill Piva

Guests: Tom Farrell & Molly Dickinson (Jamestown Arts Center)
Andy Wade (Jamestown Parks & Rec)

1. **Call to Order:** Claudine called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.
2. **Guest:** Tom and Molly gave a presentation on the 2020 Outdoor Art Project. 10 temporary installations over 10 months. Asking members for sites, and if the Chamber would like to sponsor a spot (Press bldg?) The Board feels this could be a future agenda item depending on membership interest.
3. **Guest:** Andy Wade presented (with Will, Jamie, and Jason) about Jamestown Day, Oct. 6. It will be a ~4 hour street festival on Narragansett Ave. and around East Ferry. The approvals are in hand, and the sub-committee will begin reaching out to community groups to get involved. There will be music, arts, vendors, kids activities, and booths for local organizations.
4. **Minutes of May's Meeting:** Previously emailed by Will. Ben made a motion to accept. Claudine seconded. All were in favor.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Cathleen emailed a summary, and will provide the reconciliation report shortly.
 - a. General Account: \$22,353.70
 - b. Chamber Checking Account: \$4,201.67
 - c. Claudine made a motion to accept the summary, Will seconded. All were in favor.
6. **Executive Directors Report:** Monique reported that we are at 98 members currently. New members include Jamestown Boat Yard, Purple Door, and RI Property Management Services. New maps look good, and were available for distribution.
7. **Old & New Business/Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Events: [Ben, Jamie, Jason, Charlotte]**
 - i. Connect Greater Newport Business Walk (Tues. 5/7/19 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)
 1. The event was reviewed, and further reports from the Walk will be available by July.

ii. Spring Into Summer (Sat. 6/8/19 5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.): 79 tickets have been sold.
The event is SOLD OUT!

1. Will do a 50/50 raffle, to benefit the Fireworks Fund.

iii. Weenie Roast – July 25th. At Dutch Harbor, 5:30p. Prices: \$20/\$25 (non-members)

iv. Ferry Charter (Sept) - Tabled.

v. Jamestown Day (Sun 10/6): [Sub-committee: Will, Jamie, Jason]

1. Andy presented earlier.

b. Government Relations: [Bill, Will]

i. 2018-2019 Fiscal Year Town Monies \$142.65 is available. \$30 for Facebook ads, leaves \$112.65 for possible “Save The Date” announcements/

ii. 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Request to Town

1. Should be granted again, per Claudine.

iii. Welcome to Jamestown Signs

1. Project is still on track.

iv. Newport Bridge 50th Anniversary Update [**RITBA Committee Liaison: Bill**]

1. Bill gave an overview of the 6/28 event at Ft. Adams and other activities celebrating the Bridge.

c. Marketing/Public Relations: [Ben, Iain, Claudine, Jamie, Charlotte]

i. Potential Partnership w/Newport County Chamber of Commerce re: 24 Narragansett Avenue. Further consideration was tabled.

ii. JAC 2020 Outdoor Art Project: Presented earlier.

d. Membership: [Bill]

i. 2019 Membership Update – in ED’s report.

e. Finance: [Cathleen, Susan]

i. No new items.

f. Jamestown Village Committee: Tabled.

8. Board Member Terms:

a. 2017-2020

- i. Susan Hackman (First term)**
- ii. Iain Wilson (First term)**

b. 2018-2021

- i. Bill Piva (First term)**
- ii. Ernie Savastano (First term)**
- iii. Will Tuttle (First term)**
- iv. Claudine Charron (First term)**

c. 2019-2022

- i. Ben Thomas (Third term)**
- ii. Cathleen Studley (Third term)**
- iii. Jamie Munger (First term)**
- iv. Jason Hatch (First term)**
- v. Dan Dwyer (First term)**
- vi. Rebecca Drzal (First term)**
- vii. Charlotte McGregor (First term)**

9. Next Meeting: Thursday, July 11, 2019, 5:30pm, Conanicut Brewing

10. Meeting adjourned at 6:58pm