

Town needs to fill committee slots with volunteers

One (1) vacancy exists on the Beavertail State Park Advisory Committee for a three-year term appointment. This Committee is charged with overseeing the use and operation of the park. Meetings are conducted semiannually.

Two (2) vacancies exist on the Jamestown Conservation Commission. The purpose of this committee is to promote and develop the natural resources, protect the watershed resources, and preserve natural esthetic areas within municipalities. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. The appointment is for a three-year term.

One (1) vacancy exists on the Jamestown Fire Department Compensation Committee, for a citizen-at-large. In accordance with Section 4 of an ordinance providing tax relief for the members of the Jamestown Volunteers Fire Department, it shall be the duty of the committee to make annual recommendations to the Tax Assessor regarding the eligibility for an exemption for each member. The committee shall promulgate rules and regulations for the maintenance and safekeeping of such attendance records as are reasonably calculated to provide suitable evidence of eligibility under the program. This appointment is for a three-year term appointment.

Two (2) vacancies exist on the Jamestown Harbor Management Commission, each for a three-year

term. A member of the Riparian Property Residents (Harbor Waters) and a Non-Boating Resident are needed. Anyone with an interest in harbor management can apply, but the Town Council will give preference to these particular representatives. The Harbor Commission is the local advisory and regulatory body authorized by the Town Council to manage the coastal waters and harbor areas of the town through the implementation of the Comprehensive Harbor Management Plan and subsequent ordinances. The Harbor Commission enforces the provisions and ordinances of the Harbor Management Plan as well as adopts additional policies, rules, and regulations for the implementation of the Harbor Management Plan and such ordinances, subject to the approval of the Town Council and the RI Coastal Resource Management Council.

One (1) vacancy exists on the Jamestown Housing Authority for a five-year term appointment. Meetings are conducted at the Pemberton Apartments located at 45 Pemberton Ave. on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Responsibilities include but are not limited to, investigations into the living, dwelling and housing conditions and into the means and methods of improving such conditions.

Three (3) vacancies exist on

the Jamestown Planning Commission, each for a four-year term appointment. Meetings are conducted twice a month on the first and third Wednesday of the month, with members receiving a small stipend at the end of the year. The Commission is governed by both State and Local laws. Responsibilities include consideration of growth development, preservation and land use in the Town of Jamestown along with updating the Comprehensive Community Plan, Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations.

Three (3) vacancies exist on the Jamestown Zoning Board of Review. They are for alternate members, with one-year appointments. These alternate members shall sit and may actively participate in hearings and shall vote if a member of the Board is unable to serve. Meetings are conducted once a month.

Two (2) vacancies exist on the Library Board of Trustees, for three-year term appointments. Trustees act as legal guardians and custodians of the Jamestown Philomenian Library. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month.

One (1) vacancy exists on the Tree Preservation & Protection Committee for a three-year term appointment. The Tree Committee meets monthly to promote conservation, planting, health and growth of public trees on the island.

One (1) vacancy exists for a voting member from Jamestown on the Quonset Development Corporation Board of Directors. This state-level board member will be responsible for the development and management of the industrial park at Quonset Point for a three-year term appointment. Applicants will be representing Jamestown's interest in the development at Quonset Point and should have some experience in commercial/industrial development. Meetings are held at the Quonset EDC Office located at 30 Enterprise Dr. in North Kingstown, monthly on Monday's at 5 p.m.

One (1) vacancy exists within the Water Resource Protection Committee. This committee is charged

with the acquisition of open space land or the development rights that protects or preserves the water resources of the Town of Jamestown for a three-year term appointment.

Any resident who is a qualified elector in the Town of Jamestown and is interested in serving on any of the committees, should contact the Town Clerk by submitting a letter of interest and background. Applications can be found on the Internet at www.jamestownri.net or at the Jamestown Library, 26 North Main Rd., and Town Clerk's Office located at 93 Narragansett Ave. Persons who have submitted letters in the past are encouraged to do so again. Please respond prior to Nov. 26, 2007.

Kennedy secures funds for EZPass

Last week, the U.S. House of Representatives passed its Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 2008. Included in the bill are many critical projects secured by Congressman Patrick J. Kennedy (D-RI) and other members of the R.I. Congressional Delegation for key transportation and economic development initiatives in Rhode Island.

This spending bill addresses the important challenges of keeping the transportation system safe and strong, ensuring that every

American has adequate shelter, and doing so in a way that strengthens the economy and is environmentally responsible.

Kennedy leveraged his seat on the House Appropriations Committee to secure funding which is key to the continued upgrade and improvement of Rhode Island's roadways and transportation infrastructure, including \$1.5 million for the I-95 relocation project and \$500,000 for the EZ-Pass project over the Pell Newport Bridge.

"This funding will help defray the cost of projects that are considered priorities for travel in the state," said Congressman Kennedy. "I am proud to have secured funding that helps Rhode Islanders in such vital areas as safety, convenience for drivers and also will provide tourist information on visitors traveling through our state."

The Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority (RITBA) will install the EZ-Pass electronic toll collection system at the Jamestown toll plaza. The installation of EZ-Pass would help alleviate congestion, particularly on summer weekends.

"The toll payers will not have to absorb the cost of the E-Z Pass project, yet they will reap the benefits of a more streamlined system of travel through this very busy and popular part of Rhode Island," said David A. Darlington, Chairman of the RITBA. "We have been working with Congressman Kennedy on this idea for quite some time and are grateful he has successfully secured the federal funds necessary to help get this project off the ground," he said.

Seal watching this weekend

Come and board the M/V Alletta Morris for an up-close look at the winter seals of Narragansett Bay.

Each cruise includes a lecture by an expert guide and binoculars are provided. Get to know the furry visitors who make the rocks off Rose Island their winter playground. Cruises depart Bowen's Wharf ferry landing in Newport on Saturday, Nov. 24 and Sunday, Nov. 25 at noon. This two-hour cruise includes a stop on Rose Island and a lighthouse tour.

Reservations are recommended and can be made online at www.newportseals.org or by calling 324-6020. The cost is \$20 per person, \$15 for Save The Bay and Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation members, seniors and children ages 6 to 12.

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