

**LITTER CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**  
**Tiverton Library 34 Roosevelt Avenue, Tiverton, RI 02878**  
**Litter Committee Website: [Letstalktrashtiv.wixsite.com/home](http://Letstalktrashtiv.wixsite.com/home)**  
Tuesday, November 13, 2018

**Attendance at this meeting:** Joyce Andrews, Natalie Cote, Dick Danner, Bonnie Kane, Dan Raymond, Vicki Revier, and Diane Sunderland

**NOTE:** All litter meetings will take place at the Trustee's Room in the **Tiverton Library** the first Tuesday of each month September –June, except for January, July, and August unless the committee decides to move the meeting due to the annual dine out, availability, or a conflict in the litter committee members' schedule.

**NOTE:** Please contact, Vicki Revier, 258 Bridle Way, Tiverton, RI 02878, Litter Committee Chairperson, at 401-624-2810 if you are interested in attending our meetings or if you attend regularly and are unable to attend a meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFO. SHARING:**

(Committee)

Maree Feld, Tiverton High School student attended our meeting with her father and informed the committee that she had created the "Save The Ocean" club at the high school. There are currently 30 members in the club and their main focus has been Fogland Beach. The club did a beach clean up on 10/7 and publicity for this event was in the 11/15/18 Sakonnet Times. One hundred and eight pounds of litter was removed from Fogland during that cleanup. (Joyce Andrews monitors Fogland on a daily basis and stated that she can fill a Tiverton purple bag each day with what is left on Fogland beach.)

We invited Maree, or a member of her club, to join the litter committee or to attend litter meetings, when able, to inform us of what they have been doing and to assist in any way we can. (We also suggested she contact Bill Gerlach from the Sustainability Committee as his committee is focused on the removal of plastic in the town.)

**TOPICS: COMMITTEE TASKS**

1. Update on cameras in town and Twin River Casino (Lt. Raymond)  
**Nothing to report as of this meeting.**
2. Litter at Tiverton Casino (Vicki)  
**Dan patrols the casino often and noted there has not been any signs of noticeable litter.**
3. Fogland Beach litter poster updates (Joyce)  
**Due to the size of Joyce's poster, she plans to move the poster from one business to another to educate the community.**
4. Subway parking lot on Stafford Road (Vicki)  
**Lt. Raymond has spoken to the owner of the property and has plans to talk to the Code Enforcement Department at Town Hall for follow up as there is more issues in this area than just litter.**
5. Pond Bridge Road mowed the grass (and a lot of trash) (Joyce)  
**Joyce brought trash to the meeting that was shredded due to mowing. (We have invited Rick Rogers, the new head of Tiverton DPW, to our next meeting to discuss obtaining the mowing schedule so that our volunteers can remove trash prior to mowing.)**

6. Asking businesses to stop using 1-time plastic bags directly (Vicki)  
**The Litter Committee would like to join forces with the “Save The Ocean” Club (from Tiverton High School) and ask businesses to stop using 1-time plastic bags on an individual basis as there has been no support, to date, from the Town Council in this request.**
7. Students from the middle school picking up litter for community service (Natalie)  
**Natalie is in search of a liaison for the middle school to raise awareness about litter in the younger-aged students. (Bonnie will assist in this search.)**
8. “Sucking it up to ban plastic straws” S.I. Article (10.11.18) (Vicki)  
**It is a matter of time before all businesses replace plastic straws with paper ones as other communities have already started to do so.**
9. “Students Pledge to Abandon Plastic Straws” S.I. Article (10.18.18) (Vicki)  
**By educating school-aged children we are raising awareness in our adult population.**
10. Portsmouth State Garage (town/Park and Ride) (Maureen M./Vicki)  
**The Portsmouth Garage state workers cleaned the Park and Ride once already and; hopefully, will keep this area on their list when they are removing litter in Tiverton.**
11. Contacting Tiverton businesses (494 of them in town) (Dick)  
**Dick is going to review the list of business owners in Tiverton and reach out to those that have 10 or more employees to ask if they can assist in keeping their business property litter free. (It is the law in Tiverton.)**
12. Diane saw a “litter removal” van on Bulgarmarsh Road and saw individuals picking up litter. She was unable to stop and talk to them. IF you see the van, get the details and let Vicki know for our next meeting!! (Diane)
13. Michelle posted October Minutes to Litter Website (Vicki)  
**Thank you, Michelle, for posting the Minutes of our last meeting to the litter Website.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

1. Adopt-An-Area bag inventory/list of volunteers at library (Vicki)  
**Vicki will check to be sure there are enough bags on hand for volunteers to pick up at any given time.**
2. Adopt-An-Area Updates (as of our last meeting) (Committee)  
**“Save The Ocean” Club, headed up by Maree Feld, Tiverton High School junior.**

**NEXT LITTER MEETING:** Tuesday, December 11, 2018, at **6:15pm** in the Committee Room at the Tiverton Library