

LITTER CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Tiverton Library
34 Roosevelt Avenue
Tiverton, RI 02878**

Tuesday, March 6, 2018

The Litter Committee Website: Letstalktrashtiv.wixsite.com/home

Attendance at our last meeting: Bonnie Kane, 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 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:

TOPICS: COMMITTEE TASKS

1. Single-Use Plastic Bag Ban ordinance meeting at library (Diane/Natalie)
Diane and Natalie attended the meeting on 2/24/18. Natalie volunteered to interview Paul O'Reilly, head of Newport Harbor Group, to find out if there would be an impact on "The Boat House Restaurant" in Tiverton should the ban pass.
2. Single-Use Plastic Bag Ban covered on TV and Herald News (Vicki/Natalie/Diane)
Vicki saw on Channel 10 news (2/23/18) a blurb about the Plastic Bag Ban. There was also an article in the Herald News on the same subject that Diane and Natalie shared with the committee.
3. Update on camera, litter link to Police, Tiverton, and Litter Websites (Natalie)
Acting Chief of Police, Patrick Jones, is unable to work on the camera project at this time and will assist in getting a liaison from the Police Department to work with our committee on various outstanding projects.
4. Twin River Casino (updates) (Maureen M.)
Nothing to report as of this meeting.
5. Park and Ride/Eagleville/Stafford Litter (Vicki)
The town is a mess as it has been a tough winter to monitor our adopt areas. We are looking forward to "clean-up" week.
6. Sign ordinance/Signage in town/Verizon books (Maureen M.)
Maureen received an e-mail response from Bill Hall. He confirmed that the DPW has been removing signs around town when they are able. He said he has forwarded to the town solicitor Maureen's concerns even though he has discussed these concerns before and was told there is nothing he could do about them. (William Anderson, the new DPW Director, has since reached out to Maureen and said that the DPW is making every effort to remove signs around town.)

7. Portsmouth State Garage (adding Stafford/Crandall Roads) (Bonnie/Maureen M.)
Maureen contacted the Portsmouth Garage to ask that the Town of Tiverton be added to the list for litter removal. Bonnie asked Maureen (in an e-mail) if Stafford Road and Crandall Road could be added to the list for litter pickup. (Please contact Maureen M. if you see crews around town picking up litter.)
8. Adopt-An-Area List distributed for additions/deletions (Committee)
The committee reviewed and updated the list as needed. Vicki will update the master copy.
9. Clean-up week “kickoff” with Garden Club (Sat. 4/28/18) (Diane)
Diane confirmed with the Garden Club that clean-up week will be 4/28-5/5. The kickoff will begin at Grinnelle’s Beach from 9am – 12pm. The Litter Committee will co-sponsor the kickoff with the Garden Club. (More information to come at our next Litter Meeting.)
10. February Minutes/Bag Ban Ordinance Flyer posted on litter Website (Michelle U.)
Thank you, Michelle, for uploading both documents to the Litter Website: Letstalktrashtiv.wixsite.com/home

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Adopt-An-Area bag inventory at library (Vicki)
There is a sufficient amount of bags at the library for the volunteers on the Adopt List to use for trash pickup.
2. New Adopt members? (Committee)
Shelli Costa has joined the Adopt-An-Area list. (Welcome Shelli!)

TOPICS: (For our next meeting)

1. Seasonal Newsletter from the Litter Committee (Bonnie)
Bonnie would like to review the last newsletter that Pat Sullivan wrote and possibly continue with these seasonal letters—sending them to our Adopt list and uploading them to the Litter Website going forward.)

NEXT LITTER MEETING:

Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at **6:15pm** in the Tiverton Library Trustee Room.