LITTER CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tiverton Library 34 Roosevelt Avenue, Tiverton, RI 02878 Litter Committee Website: Letstalktrashtiv.wixsite.com/home

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

Attendance at this meeting: Joyce Andrews, Natalie Cote, Dick Danner, Paulette Ferland, Bonnie Kane, Lt. Raymond, Vicki Revier, and Diane Sunderland

All litter meetings will take place in the Trustee's Room at the <u>Tiverton Library</u> 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 of room, or a conflict in the litter committee members' schedule.

<u>NOTE</u>: Please contact, Vicki Revier, 258 Bridle Way, Tiverton, RI 02878, Litter Committee Chairperson, at 401-624-2810, Victoria.Revier@bristolcc.edu, if you are interested in attending our meeting(s) or if you attend regularly and are unable to attend a meeting so we can begin the meeting on time.

<u>GUEST:</u> <u>David Stewart</u>, Tiverton resident, brought to the committee concerns about keeping Grinnell's Beach litter free. The committee discussed what is currently being done as well as ways to improve upon this.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFO. SHARING:

(Committee)

TOPICS:

1. Signage ordinance (Public Hearing 8/26, etc.) (Pauline/Maureen)

Will discuss at October meeting.

2. Litter Committee presence at Pardon Gray Day—9/14 or 9/14 (10-4) (Joyce/Maureen)

The committee brainstormed about ideas of Pardon Gray Day and finalized plans to cover the table reserved at the event in 2-hour shifts. There will be a sign-up sheet for new volunteers, a small handout about the litter committee and its mission. Glove and trash bags will be available for new volunteers, a short quiz about litter will be given out as part of a raffle. The winner of the raffle will receive a Moose Café' gift certificate. (Thank you all for your participation in this community event—giving the town a glimpse of what we do as a committee.)

3. Fish Road/Bulgarmarsh Road (construction debris) (Maureen)

Will discuss at October meeting.

4. International Coastal Cleanup (Sept/Oct) July Lewis-Save the Bay (Vicki)

Vicki forwarded the flyer from July Lewis (Save the Bay) to all Adopt members for participation in this event.

5. Park & Ride (State/Scouts) (Vicki)

The Boy Scouts picked up trash at the Park & Ride on 8/25 and plan to return on 9/25 and 11/3. A special thanks to the Boy Scouts for doing this! NOTE: The Park & Ride was mowed recently and all of the litter was shredded!! Vicki will contact the state to find out if the litter can be removed before they mow going forward.

6. Form letter to send to businesses with littered parking lots (Dick)

Will discuss at October meeting.

7. Grinnell's Beach attention (Jeff Rosow-Sakonnet Bay articles) (Vicki)

Reference was made to Jeff's newspaper articles when David Stewart discussed with the committee ways of keeping Grinnell's beach litter free. Both Jeff and David remove trash on a daily basis in town and at Grinnell's Beach. (The committee thanks both Jeff and David for their continued efforts in keeping Tiverton litter free.)

8. Fogland litter (June-September) (Joyce/Natalie) Joyce shared items she picked up recently at Fogland and stated that the trash this summer has not been as bad as last summer. Lt. Raymond will look into monitoring this beach more often based on the amount of trash that Joyce is picking up on a daily basis. 9. Casino rotary signs/landscaping/litter (Vicki) The landscaping at the rotary is complete and should be maintained by a landscaping company. Vicki and Dick will continue to monitor this. 10. Tour of Tiverton beaches, etc. (Vicki/Joyce) Joyce took Vicki on a tour of Tiverton giving Vicki a history about the town as well as problematic areas in town that have a steady flow of trash. Joyce puts in endless hours removing trash from various parts of Tiverton and we thank her for all her hard work. 11. Update on cameras in town and Twin River Casino (Lt. Raymond) Nothing to report as of this meeting. 12. Balloon issues in Little Compton (Sakonnet Times-8/22) (Vicki) Will discuss at October meeting. 13. Tiverton businesses Adopting-An-Area in Tiverton (Natalie/Dick Will discuss at October meeting. 14. Essay Contest in Tiverton Schools (Dick) Will discuss at October meeting. 15. Updates to Litter Committee Website (Vicki/Michelle) Michelle created a new tab for the Litter agendas on the Litter Website. Thank you, Michelle, for doing this. **OTHER BUSINESS:** 1. Adopt-An-Area bag inventory updated list and bag inventory (Vicki) Vicki signed out a roll of bags for the Pardon Gray Day event and will

replenish these bags after the event. 2. Adopt-An-Area List updates (Vicki) Nothing to report as of this meeting.

NEXT LITTER MEETING DATE: Tuesday, *October 1, 2019*, at 6:15pm