## LITTER CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

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

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

(Combined Agenda—no meeting in December, 2019, or January, 2020)

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

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

**NOTE**: Please contact, Vicki Revier, 258 Bridle Way, Tiverton, RI 02878, Litter Committee Chairperson, at 401-624-2810, vjrevier@gmail.com, 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.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFO. SHARING:**

(Committee)

The Litter Committee did not meet in December after the Landfill Meeting (which was scheduled at the same time.) The committee does not meet in the month of January, therefore the February Litter Committee meeting will focus on December and January agenda items.

GUEST(S): Susan Zamora who monitors Clement Street, Walnut Street, and Rock Street

## **TOPICS:**

1. Tiverton Landfill Meeting (THS) overview (Committee)

The committee discussed briefly the cost of the new recycling center.

2. DPW 2020 schedule (with Litter blurb on it) (Diane)

Susan Richardson, DPW Clerk, removed Diane's personal information from the 2021 DPW schedule draft as Diane was getting calls that were not related to the Tiverton Litter Committee as her contact information was on the 2020 Tiverton Litter Committee blurb on the back of the schedule.

3. Signage in Tiverton (article, warnings, fines, etc.) (Vicki/Dick)

Dick will be meeting again with the person that is removing signs from town to find out if any progress has been made to streamline the rules for posting signs in town.

4. Stu Gilfillen, Chairperson of Tiverton Recreation Commission (Vicki)

Vicki received an e-mail from Stu introducing himself as the new Chairperson of Tiverton's Recreation Commission and also provided a list of Recreation Meetings for 2020.

5. Stu Gilfillen survey/Invitation to upcoming Litter Meetings (Vicki)

Stu sent Vicki a form should the Litter Committee want to reserve a facility in town. Stu plans to attend an upcoming Litter Meeting when he is available.

6. Letter to Viti Autogroup (Jim Gray)—Adopting Park & Ride (Vicki)

Vicki received positive feedback from Jim Gray owner of Viti Auto Group. He is adopting the Park & Ride and will monitor it when he is able. (The Boy Scouts also remove litter from the Park & Ride, when able.) The Park & Ride is state property and the state should be monitoring this area.)

7. Form letter to send to businesses with littered parking lots (Dick) The committee will be formulating a letter (at the next meeting) reminding businesses that they are responsible to keep their properties litter free and that Tiverton has an ordinance in place for this. 8. Update on cameras in town and Twin River Casino (Lt. Raymond) Nothing to report as of this meeting. 9. Tiverton businesses Adopting-An-Area in Tiverton (Natalie/Dick) Site Ready was mentioned as a business to approach. According to Natalie, the entrance to Site Ready has improved. 10. Essay Contest in Tiverton Schools (to be introduced in February '20) (Dick) Dick will be sending an e-mail to the principals of the middle and high school as well as the superintendent about the details of the upcoming Essay Contest. There is a \$100 gift card prize/per school/ per student for the students that write the best essay about preventing litter and litter awareness. 11. November Minutes on Litter Committee Website (Michelle) The November Minutes are on the Litter Website. 12. Park and Ride (signage needed!) (Vicki) Maureen M. mentioned (in an e-mail to Vicki) that on 1/7 there was a fair amount of litter on the west corner of the Park & Ride. (Vicki didn't notice it as she passed by on 2/2, but will look again more closely.) 13. Eyesore properties in Tiverton (ordinance in place already) (Natalie/Maureen M.) Maureen M. was referring to the litter on Fish Road at the intersection of Fish Road and Rte. 177. 14. Adopt-An-Area volunteer's monitoring schedule (Dick) Our Adopt volunteer's monitor areas in town as they are able as many do not want to commit to a schedule. 15. Souza Road litter (Dick) This area is especially bad starting at the intersection of Main Road and Souza Road where there are no residents. 16. Boat House trash (Natalie/Maureen M.) Maureen sent the committee a photo of trash left along the roadside behind the Boat House Restaurant. That road is closed, however, Natalie mentioned that a friend of hers took a photo with 10 full trash bags of litter picked up between Riverside Drive and the road to the **Boat House.** 17. Grant Application (Vicki/Susan) Rick Rogers, DPW Director, sent Vicki information about Grant money available. Susan Zamora will look into this opportunity to acquire funding for Litter Committee use. **OTHER BUSINESS:** 1. Adopt-An-Area bag inventory updated list and bag inventory (Vicki) There is a sufficient amount of bags available for volunteers. 2. Adopt-An-Area List updates (Vicki) Susan Zamora, Cynthia Govai, Cyrie Barnes, and Tom Toppa have joined the Adopt List-finding us via the State Website, the Letstalktrash Website, and through the Litter blurb on the DPW

<u>NEXT LITTER MEETING DATE:</u> Tuesday, <u>March 10, 2020</u>, at 6:15pm at the Tiverton library, location TBD.

2020 trash pick-up schedule.