LITTER CONTROL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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

Tuesday, March10, 2020

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

All litter meetings will take place from 6:15-7:30pm 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 a meeting due to the annual dine out, availability of room, or a conflict in the litter committee member's schedule. (Tonight's meeting was moved from 3/3/20 to 3/10/20 as a few of the committee members were unavailable on 3/3/20.)

<u>NOTE</u>: 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)

(Vicki/Dick)

Vicki shared an e-mail from Catherine Sullivan updating her on Pat's health as the committee has been thinking about her. We all send her our best!

TOPICS:

1. Signage in Tiverton (article, warnings, fines, etc.)

Dick went to Town Hall and talked to Joseph Kaufman, the zoning enforcement officer about the sign problem in town.

According to the Appendix A-Zoning document, no signs are allowed on public property. Signs can be posted on private property, however, no commercial signs are allowed at all. Dick also provided paperwork from the town about storing junk on private property, prohibited storage on private property, and a form to file a complaint in town against those in town that have badly littered property. (Vicki sent the paperwork to the committee via e-mail attachment for review.)

The property at 178 Fish Road is an eyesore, one of many in town. The committee plans to complete complaint forms for various properties in town so the town has formal complaints to take action. (This topic will be discussed in greater detail at the April meeting.)

2. Park & Ride monitoring

(Vicki)

Vicki has noticed that the park and ride has been monitored. There are good days and bad days, but the trash is not accumulating. Jim Gray, owner of Viti, has adopted this area as well as the Boy Scouts.

3. Spring clean-up week (dates, etc.)

(Diane)

Spring clean-up week begins with a "kick off" on Saturday 4/25 and ends on Saturday, 5/2. The Garden Club is eager to work with the Litter Committee again this year on this event. There will be more discussion about the details of this event at the April litter committee meeting.

4. Committee brings letter contents for businesses with littered parking lots (Dick/Committee) Dick shared his thoughts about the letter contents which the committee agreed with. Letters will be sent out to area businesses on litter letterhead at a later date, when they are completed. 5. Update on cameras in town and Twin River Casino (Lt. Raymond) Nothing to report as of this meeting. 6. Tiverton businesses Adopting-An-Area in Tiverton (Natalie/Dick) Nothing to report as of this meeting. 7. Essay Contest in Tiverton Schools (to be introduced in February '20) (Dick) Dick sent a reminder to the middle school and high school about this activity, however, only the middle school confirmed receipt. (No details were discussed with the middle school.) 8. Follow up to litter on Fish Road/Rte. 177 intersection (Dick) The Town has become involved with this issue and is taking action. 9. Grant Application opportunity (Susan) Nothing to report as of this meeting. **OTHER BUSINESS:** 1. Adopt-An-Area bag inventory updated list and bag inventory (Vicki) The inventory of bags are good according to Catherine at the library. 2. Adopt-An-Area List updates (Vicki) Nothing to report at of this meeting.

(Michelle)

<u>NEXT LITTER MEETING DATE:</u> Tuesday, <u>April 7, 2020</u>, at **6:15pm in the Trustee's** Room at the Tiverton library.

3. February Minutes were posted on the Litter Committee Website