

## Bylaw Committee Meeting

January 18, 2022, 6:30

**Call to Order:** Chair Carolyn DiLeo called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM; also, in attendance via Zoom were Mark Michelson, Deborah Pannullo, Faith LaSalle, Lloyd Albert, Nancy Cordy, and Carole Duffy. Residents in attendance included: Joe Bleczynski, George Monahan, Lenny Mercier, Paula Childs and two others.

**Zoom Procedures:** After each Ordinance is presented, the audience may ask questions.

**Approval of Minutes (12/14/21):** Lloyd moved to accept, Nancy 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 7-0

**Old Business:** Ordinances II (Parking) & IV(Miscellaneous)

**Discussion:** Faith presented the new wording for Ordinance II... see as attachment. Questions arose as to whom a fine would be paid. Narragansett enforces parking regulations, so fine should go to them. The wording about the fine will not appear in bold in the final Ordinance draft. Sect. 2. If a resident needs special temporary parking allowances, they should contact Narragansett police. Also, the wording of last line in Sect.3, will be added to become last line in Sect 2.

Ordinance IV (Miscellaneous). Grammar: Sect 1>on any; liter is litter. Most of the discussion about Ordinance changes centered on permission for large groups to gather at Kelly Beach (with or without alcohol). District liability and possible overcrowding was mentioned. See attached amended language for this Ordinance. Nancy **moved** to accept Ordinance II & IV amendments as stated: 2<sup>nd</sup> Faith. **Motion** passed 7-0.

**New Business:** Ordinance V (Litter) - X (Harbor)

Ordinance V (Litter)

**Discussion:** A brief discussion ensued, and it was agreed that Narragansett Ordinance (82-23) covered the category. Nancy **moved** to eliminate Ordinance V and to adopt the Narragansett Ordinance (82-23) in its place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lloyd. **Motion** passed 7-0.

Ordinance VI (Trash)

**Discussion:** This Ordinance will remain strictly a Bonnet document as there is no similar Narragansett Ordinance. Sect 1 remains. Sect. 2 refers to littering in Narragansett and RI. Sect. 3> line2 change to: such removal at owner's expense. line 3 change to: whether in residence or whether the property is occupied. Sect. 4 & 5 remain. Sect. 6>line 1 change to: set out and removed; line 2 change to: owner/occupant and remove of the bins. In reference to Sect. 7, there is an unanswered question about the practice of attaching warnings and fees to barrel noncompliance. The Council must weigh in on this. One of the suggestions was to have a three-pronged system: 2 warnings and then a \$50 fine to be collected. It would have TBD who would collect the fine.

Ordinance VII (Dogs)

**Discussion:** After a lengthy discussion occurred about dogs on Kelly Beach with or without leashes, \$ amount of fines, days when Ordinance are in effect, and enforcement of Ordinance, it was decided that Faith and Deb would rework the language and bring the changes to the next meeting.

#### Ordinance VIII (Rentals)

**Discussion:** Another lengthy discussion ensued focusing on registration of all properties, fee of \$50 for each property, each property owner must designate a “responsible person” on the registration form, and long and short-term rentals need to delineated. Sect. 1> eliminate last line. Sect. 2> line 3 change “shall post” to shall provide and each Ordinance will not be named but grouped under a category like” all BSFD Ordinances”. Sect. 4 remains citing Narragansett Ordinance concerning rentals and becomes new Sect. 1. Sect. 1> Sect. 2; Sect2.>Sect.3. Again, Faith and Deb will rework language and bring changes to next meeting.

#### Ordinance IX (Abandoned vehicles)

**Discussion:** Nancy **moved** to eliminate said Ordinance since the Narragansett Ordinance (Ch.811 Sect.1-7.14) covers the topic, 2<sup>nd</sup> Faith. **Motion** passed 6-0 as Lloyd had left the meeting.

Ordinance X (Harbor and Harbormaster) Joe Bleczinski, Harbormaster, joined the meeting to review X for us.

**Discussion:** Joe said that for the most part BSFD Ordinance X mimics Narragansett’s Ordinance. Joe fielded a question concerning inheritance of a mooring (Sect. 6 e) and responded by saying that it cannot happen. Comments ensued about recommended lengths for watercraft left on Little Beach instead of on a mooring. Finally, a recommendation was made for watercraft 14’ and under can remain on the beach. Suggestion to include statement that if boats are not removed by Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> they will be removed at owner’s expense.

Faith **moved** to recommend that the Harbor Ordinance be presented to the Council with the minor changes discussed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark. **Motion** passed 6-0.

- Committee will meet again in February to wrap up loose ends and to review wordsmithing of unratified Ordinances.
- March meeting should focus on making final Ordinance recommendations to the Council.

Nancy **moved** to adjourn meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> Faith. All in favor. Meeting concluded at 9:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Duffy