Date posted: SEPTEMBER 5, 2023 by 4:00 P.M.

All items on this agenda are to be discussed and/or acted upon.

TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
TOWN COUNCIL
Wilbur McMahon School, Media Center
28 Commons
Little Compton, RI

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

Live streaming at
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNoKeQBPql33aEtqzOXHO9g

AGENDA

7:00 P.M.

Salute to the Flag

Announcements:

Approval of Minutes – August 24, 2023

Department Head Reports:

1. Town Clerk – Activity Report for August 2023
2. Town Administrator – Activity Reports for July and August 2023
3. Finance Director – Activity Report for August 2023

Old Business:

1. Discussion of proposals received from the Police Chief for possible amendments to, which will require future public hearings on the subject:
   a. Chapter 3 – change to penalties throughout the chapter
   b. Chapter 3-3 – change title from “Drinking and Sleeping in all public areas” to read “Activities in Public Areas”), add a new section on cannabis smoking/Vaporizing in Public areas and add definitions
   c. Chapter 4 – Control and Licensing of Dogs adding language to clarify section on dogs and allowed activities within town.
New Business:

1. Request from Ed Burnett to use Veteran’s Field and Recreational Field on August 17, 2024 for the Caitlin Fennessey Burnett Soccer Tournament.
2. Authorize solicitation of a Request for Proposals for engineering services for the reconstruction of the town tennis courts.
3. Receive report from Wilbour Woods Committee and consider approving its recommendations.

Board of License Commissioners: none

Communications:

1. Request from Caroline Wilkie Wordell, Cora and Michael Rocha to use Pike’s Peak for the month of November 2023 to honor our Veterans with a banner and installation of over 900 flags.
2. Letter received from James Bradley and Judith Curtis asking the Council to represent them before the various Rhode Island and federal government entities to cull and control the deer population in town.
3. Receive update on Senior Van services.
4. Copy of a communication from Mimi Karlsson to the Harbor Master requesting a year off from use of her Sakonnet Point mooring.

Consent:

1. Copy of emails sent to the Council from Tom Grimes, Bob Naranjo and Stephen Maher expressing their opinions or offering research regarding crop cannon use. Said letters placed on record in the file on this subject for future use.

Payment of Bills

Consent Agenda - All items listed are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be withdrawn from the General Order of business and considered in the normal sequence on the agenda.

All are welcome to any meeting at the town, which is open to the public. Individuals requiring communication assistance or any accommodation to ensure equal participation will need to contact the Town Clerk at 635-4400 not less than 48 hours prior to the meeting.
Minutes of a meeting of the Town Council held on August 24th, A.D. 2023 at 7:00 o’clock PM held in in-person format at the Wilbur-McMahon School Media Center, 28 Commons, Little Compton, RI. Members present: Paul J. Golembeske, Andrew Iriarte-Moore, Gary S. Mataronas, Patrick McHugh and Robert L. Mushen. Also: Anthony DeSisto, Town Solicitor, Stephen J. Antonucci, Esq., Asst., Antonio Teixeira, Town Administrator and Fire Chief Petrin.

At 7:00 PM the Council President called the meeting to order with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Announcements:

1) Councilor McHugh announced that Ruth Manchester, a former fourth grade teacher at Wilbur McMahon School, passed away this week. A Moment of Silence was observed in memory of Mrs. Manchester.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To approve, as written the Town Council minutes for August 10, 2023 meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To place on file the Building Inspector/Zoning Official’s Department Head Report for July 13th – Aug. 21, 2023.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To place on file the Finance Director’s Monthly Report for July 2023, calling attention to the continued collection of delinquent taxes.

Councilor Mushen reviewed for those present that the Cease and Desist/First Warning for the crop cannon use was sent to the property owners and tenant farmer. The group assigned with meeting and considering a next step in educating the town of the use of crop cannons did meet with limited attendance. Councilors Mataronas and Mushen met with the Administrator and Steve Maher (resident affected by sound). Ken Ayers of DEM was unable to attend, but willing to assist and the Farmer did not attend. Recognizing that Councilor McHugh also wished to participate to which Councilor Mushen believes there will be opportunity as we move forward in this process.

Councilor Mushen also noted that the Farmer did reach out to him and they had a good conversation. A suggestion was made to set a date in October or November to gather representatives from URI and RIDEM to discuss the varied deterrents available to farmers to deter birds from their crops. Councilor Mataronas noted that he reached out to Rebecca Brown, Head of Agricultural Studies at URI and she is willing to assist.

The Town Solicitor stated that if the Council wished to continue with the Cease & Desist/First Warning strategy then the Police would be tasked with investigating. Next, the Town would need to weigh the evidence gathered, and evaluate it in light of the Right to Farm Act. This new strategy offered seems to be a better approach for the town to work with the farmers to mediate the problem.

Councilor Mataronas made a motion (not receiving a second at this time) to have he and Councilor Mushen work with the LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust, the Solicitor, the
Administrator, Mr. Maher, Farmers and Rebecca Brown from URI in an effort to work toward a better season next year. It was added that the meeting should be later in the season, October potentially, to avoid current crop use.

Councilor McHugh would like to see some plan from the farmer that shows the fields he farms and how the crops progress in terms of the use and movement of crop cannons. He recognizes he cannot ask for this plan, but wishes to have it for the neighbors use.

Kate Almy noted that the use has progressed where some days it is quieter while others are overbearing, specifically this past weekend. She noted that she has done quite a bit of research and will share that with the Council.

Councilor Golembeske realizes all are aggrevated with the sound levels and frequency, but does not want to put the farmer out of business. He hopes to work to find a way to reduce or minimize the noise level while still allowing the farmer to make a living.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Iriarte-Moore: To have Councilor Mataronas and Councilor Mushen work with the LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust, the Town Solicitor, the Administrator, Mr. Steven Maher, Farmers and Rebecca Brown from URI in an attempt to work toward a better season next year. A report on this matter will be received by the Council at its meeting of October 19, 2023. Discussion continued:

Barrett Jennings, 109 West Main Road said he is disappointed in the amount of complaining. He has grown up in this town and it has always been a farming community, the land nearest his family home was once a turkey farm.

Alice Benedict, 39 Old Main Rd noted that in her early years of living in Little Compton crop cannons were not used. She asked if in the studying the Council has done have they spoken to other farmers for their input. She also asked if the cannons are used again this summer who should she call? She was told it would be appropriate if she had a noise problem that affects her quality of life she should call the Police Department who will respond and measure the decibels for the record. She also asked if she has research should she send that to the Council. The Council responded that they would accept the research if she chooses to share.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Iriarte-Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To have Councilor Mataronas and Councilor Mushen work with the LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust, the Town Solicitor, the Administrator, Mr. Steven Maher, Farmers and Rebecca Brown from URI in an attempt to work toward a better season next year. A report on this matter will be received by the Council at its meeting of October 19, 2023.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To award a bid, for the painting of sections of the Public Safety Complex (60 Simmons Rd), to LOPCO Contracting, 310 Bourne Ave, Box 32, East Providence, RI 02916 for a total of $8,832 (per proposal to be paid in two installments), first upon award of job in the amount of $4,416 and second upon successful completion of job in the amount of $4,416.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Iriarte-Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To support Corporal Caitlin Farrar and Firefighter Jason DaSilva by allowing the use of Veteran's Field on October 25th for the Annual Trunk or Treat event for the community sponsored by the Little Compton Police and Fire Departments.
Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Iriarte-Moore, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To remove Probationary Firefighter Randall Medina from probationary status and be promoted as a permanent member of the Little Compton Fire Department as a Third-Class Firefighter, effective August 13, 2023.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor McHugh, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To adopt the following:

Rhode Island Community Learning Center Compact
(Addendum to Learn365RI compact)

Little Compton recognizes that a culture of continuous learning is essential to the fabric of the community – whether it’s out-of-school learning, learning new job skills, or learning healthy habits. Moreover, as Rhode Islanders, we recognize that all of us together have a role to play in adding 1 million hours of out-of-school learning time per year across our state to help improve educational outcomes, increasing per capita income, and living healthy lives.

Little Compton aspires to be among the very best public education systems in New England and the United States;

Little Compton will foster a culture of innovation, collaboration, and increased awareness of learning opportunities for all community members;

Little Compton will explore participating in and creating learning opportunities that support and enhance efforts both inside and outside of the traditional school settings and schedules to enhance learning outcomes;

Little Compton will work to ensure that the children and adult learners are exposed to and deeply engaged in learning activities of all kinds, including professional development, job training, and physical and mental health education and screening; and

Robert L. Mushen, Council President

Governor McKee

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To approve and adopt an agreement with RI Infrastructure Bank under the Overflow Sewer Grant Program for a proposal to repair and install stormwater drainage infrastructure on Taylors Lane in Little Compton.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To grant permission to Jean and Stu Douglas to use Veteran’s Field parking lot on October 14, 2023 for parking and valet service to their son’s wedding which will be held at 500 Long Highway, contingent upon filing the town indemnification form with the Town Clerk.
Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To place on file a notice of public hearing received from RI Statewide Planning Council for a hearing, on proposed amendments to its rules and standards, to be held Sept. 18, 2023.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor McHugh, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To direct the Town Solicitor to contact Attorney Marisa Desautel to supply Ms. Desautel with a copy of a letter received from Martina Halsey requesting the town file a Friend of the Court brief with the Supreme Court should a petition before them be granted involving SouthCoast Wind Project, and to further seek a report from Ms. Desautel of her opinion as it pertains to her representation of the Town of Little Compton in this matter.

Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): That the recommendation of the Tax Assessor for the cancellation of the following taxes be granted under Section 44-7-14 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended:

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Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): To place consent calendar #1 on file: Email from Frank Haggerty sharing information on the third agreement to stay a six-month review period RE Southcoast Winder Energy LLC.

Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Golembeske, Iriarte-Moore, Mataronas, McHugh, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: $334,071.09

<p>| WBMason - Town Hall - Town Clerk | $12.86  |
| Salva N Sons - Town Hall         | $85.00  |
| E&amp;J Tripp - Cemetery Fund        | $224.00 |
| Petro - Diesel                   | $797.33 |
| Petro - Gasoline                 | $2,122.09|
| RI Energy - Town Hall            | $880.02 |
| RI Energy - Public Safety Complex| $1,698.02|
| RI Energy - IOOF                 | $40.34  |
| RI Energy - 32 Commons           | $83.35  |
| RI Energy - Town Dock            | $37.15  |
| RI Energy - Transfer Station     | $154.68 |
| RI Energy - Adamsville Street lights | $61.67 |
| RI Energy - Street Lights        | $24.20  |</p>
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With no further business before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.
Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk
40 Commons
PO Box 226
Town of Little Compton, RI

To: Antonio A. Teixeira
   Town Administrator

From: Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk

Date: September 1, 2023

The office of the Town Clerk handles on a daily basis a wide array of tasks. During the month of August the following figures display the volume of work:

Dump stickers 94 issued
Recording land evidence 48 instruments recorded
Dog licenses – 5
Vital records certified copies issued – 20
Marriage License issued - 7
Miscellaneous fees collected for Probate, copying, appliance etc. – see attached.

In addition to our day to day activities we have the following:

- Probate Court responsibilities
- Council Clerk responsibilities – meetings, minutes, follow up actions
- Coordinate with the IT personnel for day-to-day issues, oversee website daily needs, audio/visual needs for council chambers in prep for hybrid meetings
- Ongoing responsibilities as Wellness Coordinator for the Trust, sharing multiple opportunities to achieve better overall health
- Participate in RI City and Town Clerk Association meetings and NE City and Town Clerk Assoc. Board meetings
- Participate in Board of Elections zoom meetings relating to upcoming Primary
- Election duties for the upcoming Primary including prepare for and manage early voting in Council Chambers
- Host training with Board of Elections for poll workers
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Town of Little Compton
Town Hall
P.O. Box 226
Little Compton, RI 02837

To: Honorable Town Council

From: Antonio A. Teixeira
Town Administrator

Date: September 7, 2023

Subject: July and August monthly reports

Town Hall Restoration – Weekly meetings continue to be held with the Damon Company to discuss current and future construction plans.
- Town Council Chambers – are about 98% completed to be used
- Finance – Finance Director and Tax Assessor have move in, the counter and glass partition need to be installed
- Vestibule is in full operation
- Front hallway and stairwell are completed. The hand railing needs to be adjusted
- Fire safety – Crescent Alarms continues to work throughout the Town Hall to upgrade the fire alarm system and the security
- The kitchenette is fully functional and being used
- The conference room needs to be clear and cleaned to become functional
- Handicap bathroom has been drafted, renovations will begin very soon
- Court Yard – Helger’s Brothers will be doing the landscape and flower planting
- The Town Clerk’s office – sheetrock, plastering, painting and carpeting is planned

Department Goals for FY24 – I have been meeting with each Department Head to set the goals.

RIDOT/Little Compton Commons Project – RIDOT has requested 90% completion of plans to continue to move the project forward from its current 60% design.

Town Budget – I continue to work with the Finance Director to monitor the FY24 Budget.

Town/Senior Van – RIPTA has informed us that the entire cost will be covered by Federal Grants. The Town no longer will have to make the 20% match.

DPW – Director – George Duarte is the new Director. He’s going through a learning curve but adjusting. He met with President Mushen and me to give his first impressions of the Department and its operations.

Road Paving Program – Kevin Aguiar/BETA Group met with President Mushen and I to review the roads and come up with recommendations for the Town Council.

Funding opportunities – President Mushen, Finance Director and I continue to attend meetings to learn the possibilities.
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT
P.O. BOX 226
LITTLE COMPTON, R.I. 02837

JOSEPH DESANTIS
FINANCE DIRECTOR

PHONE 401-635-4219
FAX 401-635-2470

Finance Director Monthly Report
August 2023

Initiatives & Financial Highlights:

• Audit on Internal Controls completed by Hague, Sahady & Co.
• Quarter 3 Budget to Actual Budget Report submitted to Department of Revenue
• OPEB Trust account funded $8,824.26
• 6 of 6 Audit findings from FY2022 Audited Financial Statements have been either remediated, or accepted as Audit-approved process improvements

Tax Highlights:

• Total tax revenue collected for Current Year, Prior Years and Interest in the month of July was $498,664.00
• Total tax revenue collected for (C,S,I) Current Year, Prior Years and Interest in the month of August are $1,671,638.09
• Total Tax Delinquency Balances (P) collected in August are $44,251.82
§ 3-1 DISTURBING THE PEACE

§ 3-1.1 Statement of Public Policy.
[Ord. 4/10/80 § 1; Ord. 1/7/16; Ord. 9/22/16]

a. Excessive noise is a serious hazard to the public health and welfare and the quality of life in the Town.

b. A substantial body of science and technology exists by which excessive noise can be substantially abated without serious inconvenience to the public.

c. Noise-producing equipment associated with farming and fishing is essential to the quality of life herein and should be allowed to continue at reasonable levels with moderate regulation; and

d. Each person has the right to an environment reasonably free from noise which jeopardizes health or welfare or unnecessarily degrades the quality of life.

e. It is the declared policy of this Town to promote an environment free from excessive noise, otherwise properly called noise pollution, which unnecessarily jeopardizes the health and welfare and degrades the quality of the lives of the residents of this community, without unduly prohibiting, limiting or otherwise regulating the function of certain noise-producing equipment which is not amenable to such controls and yet is essential to the quality of life in the community.

§ 3-1.2 Loudness of Sound Producing Equipment.
[Ord. 4/10/80 § 2; Ord. 1/7/16; Ord. 9/22/16]

a. It shall be unlawful for any person to use, operate, or permit to be played, used or operated any machine or device whose purpose is the production or reproduction of music or the human voice in such manner as to disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of the neighboring inhabitants or at any time with louder volume than is necessary for convenient hearing for the persons who are at the site at which such machine or device is operated and who are voluntary listeners thereto.

b. Indoors, the operation of any such machine or device between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. in such a manner as to be plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet from the building, structure or vehicle in which it is located shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.

c. Outdoors, the operation of any such machine or device whose purpose is the production or reproduction of music or the human voice between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. in such a manner as to be plainly audible at the boundary line of the property on which it is located shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.
d. At all hours, in the Residential Zone, the sound produced must not be disturbing to a person of reasonably sensitive hearing in the accessible area of their properties. In the event of a dispute of sensibility, the sound level must not exceed 55 dBA between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. (50 dBA between 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.) in the accessible area of their properties.

§ 3-1.3 Mufflers Required.
[Ord. 4/10/80 § 3; Ord. 1/7/16]

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any noise-creating blower or power fan or any internal combustion engine, the operation of which causes noise due to the explosion of operating gases or fluids, unless the noise from such blower or fan is muffled and such engine is equipped with a muffler device sufficient to deaden such noise.

§ 3-1.4 Penalty.
[Ord. 1/7/16]

Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be warned (first offense), fined not exceeding $100 (second offense), $200 (third offense), or $500, and revocation or suspension of any associated license (fourth offense) or punished by imprisonment for not more than 30 days. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such, hereunder. This sequence will restart each calendar year.

§ 3-2 DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

§ 3-2.1 Disorderly Conduct Enumerated.
[Ord. 4/8/76, § 1]

No person, acting alone or in concert with others, may engage in conduct which violates any of the following:

a. Any person who shall act in a violent or tumultuous manner toward another whereby any person is placed in fear of safety of his life, limb or health; or
b. Any person who shall act in a violent or tumultuous manner toward another whereby the property of any person is placed in danger of being destroyed or damaged; or

c. Any person who shall in a public place use "fighting words" or language or words which by their very utterance inflict injury to or tend to incite outrage and immediate turmoil; or

d. Any person who shall use violent and forceful behavior at any time in or near a public place, such that there is a clear and present danger that free movement of other persons will be incapacitated in the lawful exercise of business or amusement; or
e. Any person who shall cause, provoke, or engage in any fight, brawl or riotous conduct so as to endanger the life, limb, health or property of another; or

f. Any person who shall assemble or congregate with another or others for the purpose of causing, provoking, or engaging in any fight or brawl; or

g. Any person who shall disturb the peace of others by violent, indecent, offensive, or boisterous conduct or language which said conduct or language was calculated to cause anguish or injury to another; or

h. Any person who shall be found roughly crowding or pushing any person in any public place; or

i. Any person who shall throw any stone, or any other missile upon or at any person, vehicle, building or other public or private property; or

j. Any person who shall throw any stone or other missile from any vehicle, either moving, stopped, or parked, upon or at any person, building or other public or private property; or

k. Any person who shall by acts of violence interfere with another's pursuit of a lawful occupation; or

l. Any person who shall urinate, or defecate on any public street, alley, sidewalk or floor of any public building or a building where the public gathers or has access; or

m. Any person who shall wantonly make a false alarm with reference to the request of firefighting apparatus, or cries "fire" in any public place for the sole purpose of causing turmoil; or

n. Any person who shall prowl or wander upon the private property of another or peek in the door or window of any inhabited dwelling or home located upon private property without lawful business with the owner or occupant thereof; or

o. Any person who shall congregate with another or others in or on any public way so as to halt the flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic and refuses to clear such public way when ordered to do so by a peace officer or other person having authority.

§ 3-2.2 Enforcement and Penalty.
[Ord. 4/8/76, § 2; Ord. 6/23/77]

Enforcement of the provision of this section and order of prosecution for any violation thereof is vested in the authority of the Chief of Police. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than $20 $250, or by imprisonment not exceeding five days. This section is in addition to and in no way a limitation upon existing Town Ordinances regulating personal conduct.
§ 3-3 ACTIVITIES IN PUBLIC AREAS. § 3-3 DRINKING AND SLEEPING IN ALL PUBLIC AREAS.

§ 3-3.1 Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages in Public Places Areas Prohibited.
[Ord. 6/8/78, § 1]

The consumption of alcoholic beverages of any kind or the possession of any open container thereof is prohibited in all public places areas, including beaches, parks, and streets in the Town with the exception of those places licensed for the consumption of alcoholic beverages. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to consume alcoholic beverages or have in his or her possession any open container thereof, in any public area within the Town.

§ 3-3.2 Sleeping in Public Areas Prohibited.
[Ord. 6/8/78, § 2; Ord. 6/29/78]

There shall be no sleeping in any public area of the Town, including beaches, parks, streets, and automobiles parked in any public area, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to sleep in any public area of the Town except those places which provide sleeping accommodation for transient visitors, or except where special permission has been granted by the Town Council. Requests for special permission shall be filed in writing in the office of the Chief of Police.

The authority of the Town Council in granting permission under the above paragraph in reference to the Town Beach at the South Shore is delegated to the Chairman of the Beach Commission.

§ 3-3.3 Cannabis Smoking/Vaporizing In Public Areas Prohibited

No person shall smoke or vaporize cannabis in public areas, including outdoor common areas, parks, beaches, athletic and recreational facilities, and other public areas.

§ 3-3.4 Penalty

Any person who violates the provisions of this chapter may be fined $100 for the first offense, up to $250 for a second offense, and up to $500 for a third offense.

§ 3-3.3 Penalty.

Every person found guilty of violating this section shall be fined not more than $20 or imprisoned not more than five days.
§ 3-4 DAMAGING PUBLIC PROPERTY; FALSE ALARMS.

§ 3-4.1 Damage to Public Property; Penalty.
[Ord. 8/11/58, § 1]

Every person who shall willfully injure, damage, or deface any public properties belonging to the Town shall be fined not less than twice the amount of the damage done, unless that amount shall exceed $20; $500. and if that amount shall exceed $20, he shall be imprisoned not exceeding one year.

§ 3-4.2 False Alarms.
[Ord. 6/19/03]

Any business, residence, or other property to which the Police, Fire, or other Town department responds in response to a house false alarm or security device and:

a. There is a malfunction in the system;

b. A pet activates the alarm or device;

c. The owner or another authorized person activates the alarm or device;

d. Any other reason except that which the alarm or device is designed to operate, (including but not limited to break-in, house invasion, burglary, fire) will incur the following penalties:

First offense: Written warning
Second offense: $25 fine
Third offense: $50 fine
Fourth offense and each subsequent offense: $100 per incident

If the Police, Fire, and other Town departments have not responded to a false alarm within a one-year period then all prior offenses will be erased from record and the next such violation will be considered the first offense.

§ 3-5 HUNTING.

§ 3-5.1 Hunting Prohibited Unless Written Permission Is Secured.
[Ord. 2/5/70, § 1]

No person shall hunt, take or kill any wild bird or animal at any time within the Town provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall prohibit an owner or a tenant of land from hunting and killing wild birds or animals thereon and persons who have the consent in writing of the owner or tenant, pursuant to the Fish and Game Laws of the State of Rhode Island.
§ 3-5.2 Permission to Be Countersigned by Chief of Police.
[Ord. 2/5/70, § 2]

No person shall hunt, take, or kill any wild bird or animal at any time on the land of another without a written permit from the owner or tenant of said land countersigned by the Chief of Police or his deputy, pursuant to the Fish and Game Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

§ 3-5.3 Annual Renewal Required.
[Ord. 2/5/70, § 3]

All permits shall be renewed annually and may be revoked by parties issuing the same.

§ 3-5.4 Proximity to Buildings.
[Ord. 2/5/70, § 4]

No person shall discharge any firearm within 500 feet of a dwelling or structure without specific permission of the owner or tenant thereof. It shall be unlawful to hunt along or across a highway.

§ 3-5.5 Violations; Penalty.
[Ord. 2/5/70, § 5; Ord. 6/23/77]

Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be fined not more than $20; $250. or imprisoned not exceeding five days.

§ 3-5.6 Hunting on Sunday Prohibited.
[Ord. 10/14/46, § 1, 2; Ord. 11/9/95; Ord. 7/11/02]

a. No person shall use or discharge any weapon of any kind or description, including but not limited to any bow and arrow, rifle, musket, pistol, shotgun, blunderbuss, or fowling piece in the pursuing of hunting animals or birds in the Town on the first day of the week, commonly known as Sunday. Notwithstanding the above, bow and arrow may be used for the hunting of deer only on private land with written permission of the landowner countersigned by the Chief of Police. The hunter must file with the Chief of Police a copy of his/her valid State of Rhode Island bow-hunting license.

b. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be fined not exceeding $20 $250 or shall be imprisoned not more than 10 days, for each offense.

§ 3-6. DEFINITIONS.
a. For the purposes of this chapter "cannabis" shall be defined by R.I. Gen. Laws § 21-28.11-3(6), as amended.

b. For the purposes of this chapter, "public area" shall be defined as any place to which the public or a substantial group of persons has access and/or view. A "public area" includes but shall not be limited to any public street or right-of-way of the Town of Little Compton, and associated sidewalks, walkways, trails, parking lots, buildings, and grounds associated with those buildings that are open to the public. All parks, athletic facilities, recreational facilities, and conservation areas owned by the Town of Little Compton shall also constitute public areas.
4-1 Control and Licensing of Dogs

4-1.1 Barking, Biting or Howling Dogs.

a. If a complaint is made to the police department or the Animal Control Officer about any dog within the Town, which, by barking, biting, howling, by reason of doing damage to property, or in any other way or manner, unreasonably disturbs the peace, or annoys any person, the police department or the Animal Control Officer shall investigate the matter. If, after investigation, they shall find facts to warrant the complaint, and if after due notice to the person owning or keeping such dog or permitting such dog to be kept, the police department or Animal Control Officer ascertain that the nuisance is not abated, the police department or Animal Control Officer shall give notice to such person owning or keeping the dog or permitting the dog to be kept to forthwith remove such dog and keep him beyond the limits of the Town; and such person shall thereupon cause such dog to be forthwith removed and kept beyond the limits of the Town. (Ord. 6/11/62, § 2; Ord. 8/23/84, § 1)

b. A dog is considered to “unreasonably disturb the peace” if it causes a disturbance by excessive barking or other noise making for sustained periods of more than one-half hour during the day or night so as to disturb the quiet of a neighborhood or area. This subsection does not apply to a dog guarding, working or herding livestock.

c. A dog is considered a “nuisance” if it damages, soils, defiles, or defecates on private property other than the owner’s or on public property, unless such waste is immediately removed and properly disposed of by the owner of such dog.

4-1.2 Disturbing the Peace or Nuisance, Penalty.

a. The owner dog(s) deemed to be unreasonably disturbing the peace or a nuisance may be fined according to Chapter 4-5 of this ordinance.

4-1.3 Confinement of Certain Dogs and Other Animals

a. The owner shall confine permanently within a building or secure enclosure, every fierce, dangerous, or vicious dog, and shall not take such dog out of such building or secure enclosure unless such dog is securely muzzled.

b. The owner of every female dog in heat shall keep it confined in a building or secure enclosure, or in a veterinary hospital or boarding kennel, in such a manner that such female dog cannot come in contact with another dog, except for intentional breeding purposes.

c. Any dog described in the foregoing subsections, found at large, may be impounded by the Animal Control Officer.
4-1.4 Miscellaneous Provisions.

a. Immediately upon impounding dogs or other animals the Animal Control Officer or any police officer shall make reasonable efforts to notify the owners of such dogs or other animals, so impounded, and inform such owners of the conditions whereby they may regain custody of such animals. It shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer to keep, or cause to be kept, accurate and detailed records of the impoundment and disposition of all animals coming into his/her custody. Unlicensed dogs that are unclaimed after five (5) days may be placed up for adoption at the discretion of the Animal Control Officer if not claimed by their owner.

b. Under emergency circumstances, the Animal Control Officer or any police officer may destroy any injured or maimed animal after making reasonable efforts to contact the owner of said animal if owner’s identification is present on the animal.

c. It shall not be the responsibility of the Animal Control Officer or any police officer to dispose of dogs at owner’s request. The owner of a dog or any domestic animal who wishes to dispose of such animal, shall assume all cost and the responsibility for same.

d. Every owner or keeper of a dog shall annually, in the month of April, cause such dog to be licensed from the first day of the ensuing May 1, in the office of the town clerk. Such owner or keeper shall pay to the town clerk the currently required license fee. Any person who shall become the owner or keeper of a dog in the town shall cause the dog to be licensed within 30 days after they becomes the owner or keeper. Every person, owning or keeping a dog not licensed and/or collared according to the provisions of this section shall be fined $25.00, and that fine shall be in addition to all other lawful fees.

e. No license shall be issued for any dog required to be licensed in the town, unless the person making application shall first present to the duly authorized person a current certificate of vaccination or inoculation for said dog from a certified veterinary provider.

f. All complaints made under the provisions of this section shall be made to the Animal Control Officer or any police officer and may be made by telephone or in person at the Little Compton Public Safety Complex.
4-1.5 Investigation.

In the discharge of the duties imposed by this section, the Animal Control Officer or any police officer shall have the authority at all reasonable times to enter upon any premises (but such authority should not include the right to enter any residence on such premises without owner's permission) to examine a dog or other animal which it is reasonable to suspect is in violation of a provision of this section. Such officer shall have the further authority to take possession of any such dog or other animal and remove it from such premises. (Ord. 8/23/84, § 2)

4-1.6 Provisions in Addition to General Law.

Subsections 4-1.1, 4-1.2, 4-1.3, 4-1.4 and 4-1.5 are to be in addition to the provisions set forth in the Rhode Island General Laws, 1956, Title 4, Chapter 13, as amended. (Ord. 6/11/62, § 3; Ord. 8/23/84, § 3)

4-1.7 Enforcement.

Any police officer or Animal Control Officer may, where applicable, enforce the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. 6/11/62, § 5; Ord. 8/23/84, § 4)

4-2 Animals at Large

4-2.1 Leashing of Dogs.

a. No person, being the owner of keeper of or having the charge or custody of any dog, shall allow such dog to run loose off its owner or keeper's property within the Town of Little Compton unless such dog is properly leashed and said leash is controlled by the owner or keeper of such dog. A dog or other animal is considered "leashed" within the meaning of this chapter only when it has a cord or chain attached to its collar or harness and is held by the owner, keeper or competent person leading said animal, who shall have the animal under control. It is unlawful for any owner of a dog to place that dog or allow it to be placed in the custody of any other person not physically capable or maintaining effective control or restricting the dog. Any dog found in this Town off the owner's or keeper's premises, acting in a threatening or menacing manner, or biting or attempting to bite any person so as to constitute a public menace, may be impounded. (Ord. 6/11/62, §1)

4-2.3 Leashing of Dogs, Penalty.

Any person who willfully or negligently permits or allows a dog(s) to wander on or run at large upon any public or private property in the Town other than the property of the owner of the dog(s) may be fined according to Chapter 4-5 of this ordinance.
4-2.2 Animals at Large Prohibited, Penalty.

Any person who willfully or negligently permits or allows any cattle, horse, sheep, goat or pig, or any other animal to escape or stray from its enclosure or restraint onto or to wander on or run at large upon any public or private property in the Town other than the property of the owner of the animal may be fined according to Chapter 4-5 of this ordinance.

4-2.3 Dogs Prohibited on South Shore Beach.

No dogs shall be allowed on South Shore Beach during the hours the beach is open. (Ord. 7/18/91)

4-2.4 Dogs Prohibited on Goose Wing Beach.

Dogs are always prohibited on Goose Wing Beach.

4-3 Aggressive Dogs

4-3.1 Definitions

a. Aggressive dog means any dog that, is determined in writing by a hearing pursuant to the provisions of RIGL § 4-13.1-11, when unprovoked, bites, harms or attacks a human being or other animal either on public or private property; or one who has been determined to be aggressive by another municipality.

b. Enclosure means a fence or structure at least six feet in height; suitable to prevent the entry of young children and suitable to confine an aggressive dog. Such enclosure shall be securely enclosed and locked with secure sides, top and bottom to prevent escape of the dog from the enclosure.

4-3.2 Registration of aggressive dogs required.

a. Any person having custody, ownership or control of an aggressive dog as defined must register said dog with the town.

b. No such dog shall be registered or licensed unless the owner or keeper shall meet the following requirements:

1. The owner or keeper shall present the Town Clerk, proof of liability insurance in the amount of at least $100,000.00 valid for one year from the date of registration and fully paid, covering any damage or injury which may be caused by such aggressive dog.
2. The owner or keeper shall not voluntarily cancel the liability insurance unless they cease to own or keep the aggressive dog.

3. The owner of keeper shall notify the police department within a reasonable amount of time if the aggressive dog is on the loose, has attacked, bitten, or injured, whether provoked or unprovoked and human or another animal or has died or been sold or given away.

4. The owner or keeper must ensure that the aggressive dog is securely muzzled and restrained with a leash not exceeding three feet whenever it is outside the owners dwelling or a secure dog enclosure.

4-4 Care of Dogs

4-4.1 Nourishment.

a. It shall be a violation of this section for an owner or keeper of a dog(s) to fail to provide a dog with adequate feed, adequate clean water, or adequate veterinary care. The adequate veterinary care may be provided by an owner using acceptable animal husbandry practices.

4-4.2 Inclement Weather

a. It shall be a violation of this section for an owner or keeper of a dog(s) to keep a dog outside of adequate shelter during inclement weather.

4-4.3 Tethering

a. It shall be a violation of this section for an owner or keeper of a dog(s) to tether a dog:

1. With a choke type or prong type collar.
2. For more than 10 hours during a 24-hour period.
3. Outside between the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM, except for a maximum of 15 minutes.

4-4.4 Care of Dogs, Penalty.

a. The owner or keeper of a dog(s) deemed to be in violation of the care of dogs section may have the dog(s) removed from their care and shall be fined according to Chapter 4-5 of this ordinance.
4-4 Fees for Redemption of Impounded Animals

4-4.1 Poundage Fees.

The owner of any animal going at large that has been impounded shall not take the animal out of the shelter until they have paid a one-hundred-dollar ($100.00) impound release fee. Upon payment an animal release form will be provided by the Little Compton Police Department. A grace period for payment of or waiving of the impound release fee shall be at the discretion of the Chief of Police. If the animal in question is a dog and the owner of said dog is a resident of the Town of Little Compton, the resident shall license the dog and obtain an animal release form prior to the dog being picked up from the shelter. (Ord. 7/11/55, § 1; Ord. 8/23/84, § 5)

4-4.2 Regulations Are in Addition to General Laws.

This section is in addition to the provisions of Chapter 641 of the General Laws as amended and is in no way to be construed as a limitation thereof. (Ord. 7/11/55, § 2)

4-5 Schedule of Fines

Under authority granted in Title 4, Chapter 13, Section 1 (4-13-1) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956 as amended, entitled "Regulatory Ordinances-Enforcement", the following procedure is hereby established to permit the enforcement of the Ordinances of the Town of Little Compton pertaining to Chapter IV, Animal Control by pecuniary penalty to be recovered by action of debt which may be offered to the person violating this chapter. Unless otherwise stated in this chapter the following schedule of fees is herein established:

First offense $25.00

Second offense $50.00

Third offense $100.00

Failure by the violator to dispose of any violation in the manner herein provided will be deemed to be a waiver, on the part of the violator to be allowed such privilege, and the Chief of Police will cause a complaint to be filed in the Second Division Court, Newport, Rhode Island.

The Chief of Police is hereby directed to have printed summonses containing information as to the violation being cited, the manner in which the violator may pay for the offense, by paying the prescribed fee to the Town Treasurer, or set forth the date and time for appearance in Court. (Ord. 8/23/84, § 8)
4-6  Filing of Complaints

All complaints made under the provisions of this chapter shall be made to the Animal Control Officer or any police officer and may be made by telephone or in person at the Little Compton Public Safety Complex.
Hi Carol,

I hope you're doing well. We would like to formally request to hold the Caitlin Fenesseey Burnett Soccer tournament on 8/17/24. Can you please add this to the agenda for the upcoming Town Council meeting?

Thanks,
Ed
TOWN OF LITTLE COMPTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES
Proposal No. 2023-01

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General Information

The Town of Little Compton is requesting an engineering study of the existing location of the Town’s Tennis/Pickle ball Courts with the objective of replacing the two courts, and a professional opinion as to impact or no impact on the adjacent multi-purpose soccer field. (See the Description of Work for additional information).

There is no expressed or implied obligation for the Town of Little Compton to reimburse responding firms for any expenses incurred in preparing proposals in response to this request.

Any inquiries concerning the request for proposals should be addressed to Antonio A. Teixeira, Town Administrator, tteixeira@littlecomptonri.org – (401) 635-8373.

To be considered, six copies of a proposal must be received by Carol A. Wordell, CMC, Town Clerk, Town Hall, 40 Commons/PO Box 226, Little Compton, RI 02837, by 3:30pm on Thursday, October 19, 2023. The proposals will be read at 7:00pm at the regular Town Council meeting in the Town Council Chambers, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI 02837. The Town of Little Compton reserves the right to reject any or all proposals submitted.

During the evaluation process, the Town reserves the right, where it may serve the Town of Little Compton’s best interest, to request additional information or clarifications from bidders, or to allow corrections of minor errors or omissions. At the discretion of the Town of Little Compton, firms submitting proposals may be requested to make oral presentations as part of the evaluation process.

The Town of Little Compton reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and to use any ideas in a proposal regardless of whether that proposal is selected. Submission of a proposal indicates acceptance by the firm of the conditions contained in this request for proposals, unless clearly and specifically noted in the proposal submitted and confirmed in the contract between the Town of Little Compton and the firm selected.

Any representations made with the submission will be relied upon and if proven to be false will be grounds for termination of the contract, if awarded. False representations will also be grounds for forfeiture of all payments under the contract. This will not limit the municipality from seeking any other legal or equitable remedies.

It is anticipated that the selection of a firm will be completed by Thursday, November 2, 2023. Following the notification of the selected firm it is expected a contract will be executed between both parties by November 17, 2023.
II. NATURE OF SERVICES REQUIRED

The Town of Little Compton is soliciting the services of qualified Engineering firms with the following conditions:

LICENSES/AFFILIATIONS: Licensed in Rhode Island as a professional engineer or landscape architect.

QUALIFICATIONS: Engineering credentials

REFERENCES: A minimum of five references of clients for projects of similar size and scope to this kind of project, with contact information.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:
1. Little Compton has 2 tennis courts which were installed in 2017, replacing tennis courts installed at an unknown time. The new courts quickly showed cracks in a pattern similar to the courts they replaced.
   An engineering study is requested to understand the challenges of repairing, reconstructing, or building the courts in this location and how to remediate this problem. The study will include an evaluation of the sufficiency of the current substrate and will provide recommendations of how to stabilize the court base.
   The study will include recommendations for specific repairing/resurfacing/ methods and will address issues caused by the freeze/thaw cycle.
   Seeking environmentally sensitive solution to avoid negative impacts on Dundery Brook, with objective to build a sustainable foundation for the tennis courts.
   The study will address longevity of types of reparations and will make recommendations to maximize useful life of courts after they are rebuilt.
2. Phase 2: Engineering firm will develop RFP for construction.
3. Phase 3: Engineering firm will oversee construction work.

Reports to be issued

A detailed study and written reports on the existing site of the Town Tennis Courts, addressing the issues of its location next to Dundery Brook, a forested wetland.
Also, a professional opinion as to the impact or no impact on the adjacent multi-purpose soccer field.

Reports will be provided to the:

- Town Council
- Recreation Commission
- Town Administrator
III.  TIMELINE:

A. Proposal Calendar

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*The mandatory meeting will be held at the Tennis Court site at 9:00am.

Notification and Contract Dates

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IV. Evaluation Criteria

a. Technical Qualifications 30 points
b. Expertise and Experience 30 points
c. Past experience with similar project 30 points
d. Price 10 points

Submission of a proposal indicated acceptance by the firm of the conditions contained in this request for proposals unless clearly and specifically noted in the proposal submitted and confirmed in the contract between the Town of Little Compton and the firm selected.

The Town of Little Compton reserves the right to reject any and all responses, waive any and all informalities and award the contract to the most qualified and responsive bidder in the best interest of the Town.
Town of Little Compton
Town Hall
P.O. Box 226
Little Compton, RI 02837

To: Honorable Town Council

From: Antonio A. Teixeira
Town Administrator

Date: September 7, 2023

Subject: Wilbour Woods Project(s)

John Gwynne on behalf of the Committee is submitting an expenditure request to make repairs in the current transit bridge.

Per the attachment Tom Arkins has volunteered his labor with materials being the only cost.

The Committee has been meeting often to address the needs at Wilbour Woods. I support their efforts and resolution to move forward with the repairs.

I recommend that the Honorable Council approve such endeavor.

Thank you!
Request To Expensive Funds for Wilbour Woods, not to exceed $12,000.    1 Sept 2023

As part of the greatly needed repairs for the town's Wilbour Woods, the town's WW Stakeholders's Committee solicited a proposal from Tom Arkins to repair the EAST BRIDGE as a pedestrian bridge in same existing design. Please approve this amount so we can get going with work. (See photos below - in poor condition but in meantime Kurtis has patched the holes with plywood. You will recall Arkins Construction, Inc. and Tom's family so kindly built and donated a temporary pedestrian West Bridge bridge several years ago.)

Wonderfully Arkins Construction Company again generously offered to donate all labor to rebuild the timbers of the now ailing EAST BRIDGE, if the town will pay for his materials. We will not know extent of work until existing bridge is taken apart.

Funds are available in the Town's WW line item. The WW stakeholders request that the town approve the cost of materials. Our initial estimate indicates cost should not exceed $12,000: Cost Breakdown;

- New Unseasoned White Oak timbers- $6186 (price from Humphrey's)
- If replacement needed: 2 heavy duty Heart Pine Beams - estimate @ $2000 (actual cost would be solicited if beams needed.)
- removable steel bollard and sleeve, lock- estimate $500 (not yet priced)
- patching to stone base, estimate $2000 (extent/cost also not yet known until exposed )
- Timberlock Screws $230.36 (Humphrey's price)
- Contingency $1000

Members of WW Stakeholders Group met on August 23 and unanimously agreed that longer-lasting heavy White Oak Timbers be purchased to replace existing rotting top deck timbers. (The cost of long-lasting White Oak is justifiable as we may not get free donated labor the next time.) Arkins is soliciting possible availability of replacement heavy structural beams - possible need will not be seen until existing rotting timber decking is removed for inspection. A simple steel bollard in a sleeve will be installed, removable for emergency vehicle as per Chief Petrin's request.

On Aug 13, 2023, at 9:00 AM, Tom Arkins <tom@arkincorp.com> wrote:

John and Mike, please find attached the materials estimate for the bridge at Wilburs Woods. There are different options in there, so ignore the total estimate number. The white oak would be unseasoned and is $6186 compared with the pressure treated which is $2377. I have a call into Sid Wordell but I have not heard back from him yet on that the Heart pine beams — if we need them. His beams are under 24 feet so for now I would assume that we need 2 and the cost would be somewhere around $1000 each. What's there might be fine but you might want to carry that number just in case. As I said on site, the labor will be free.

Call or text me with any questions,

Thanks

Tom Arkins
Arkins Construction, Inc.
Contracting-Millwork-Design
7 South of Commons Road
P.O. Box 136
Little Compton, RI 02837
Office - 401-635-2329
Cell - 401-285-2085
Email - tom@arkincorp.com
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Thank you for giving Humphrey’s Building Supply an opportunity to work with you on this project.

The quantities and description of materials on this estimate reflect the best judgement and experience of the estimator. Please take the time to verify that all quantities and material specifications are accurate. Use of this estimate constitutes acceptance.

Total Estimate $8,803.61
(Plus applicable Sales Tax)

Delivery

We provide a delivery service with an on-time rate of 99.8%. Orders should be called in at least 24 hours in advance of shipment.

Material Returns

Return of material will be accepted provided that it is within 30 days of delivery and the product is in resalable condition. A handling fee may apply.

Special Order items must have prior approval to return and are subject to our vendor’s restocking fee policy. All costs associated with the return will be the responsibility of the customer.
TO: LITTLE COMPTON TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: CAROLINE WILKIE WORDELL
CORA ROCHA
MICHAEL ROCHA

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS MATTER.
James Bradley & Judith Curtis
11 Fresh Meadow Rd
Little Compton, RI 02837

August 27, 2023

Robert L. Musher, President
Little Compton Town Council
P O Box226
Little Compton, RI 02837

Dear Mr. Musher,

Judith Curtis and I have over the past four years spent considerable time, effort and money restoring our nearly 4 acre property at 11 Fresh Meadow Road in Adamsville. We are proud of and pleased with the progress we have made bringing our log cabin home and the land, trees and stone walls back to life. However, we are frustrated that the over-population of deer is destroying significant aspects of the grounds and gardens surrounding our cabin. It is not uncommon to see upwards to ten deer on any given morning or evening.

We are asking the council to represent us and our neighbors before the various Rhode Island and federal government entities to cull and control the deer population and we would be most willing to appear before the town council to present our request if that would be helpful.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

James S. Bradley

[Signature]

Judith W. Curtis

File: JSB LCTownCouncil Deer Population
To: Honorable Town Council
From: Antonio A. Teixeira
       Town Administrator
Date: September 7, 2023
Subject: Senior Van report

The Senior Van begin its service March 2023.

Mike Rocha has coordinated the services for OUR Seniors and Barbara Rocha has undertaken dispatching duties.

A big thank you goes to the following drivers who have provided constant services:
   - Kevin Murphy
   - Corey Soderlund
   - Mike Rocha, Sr.

Our Seniors have enjoyed rides to:
   - Lunch at the Community Center
   - Wellness Center
   - Field trip to South Shore Beach
   - Shopping at Market Basket
   - Shopping at Lees Market
   - Shopping at CVS
   - Wellness Center

The amount of fuel used thus far 184 gallons.

Expenses incurred:
   - Repairs to the transmission
   - Repairs to the AC
FYI

From: "Mimi Karlsson" <mimi@oco.net>
Sent: 9/2/23 9:24 AM
To: "Islanderadventures@yahoo.com" <islanderadventures@yahoo.com>
Subject: FWD: Year off from Mooring 49

Mike, Did you receive this? Are we OK with taking the year off because of John's medical condition, as you told my nephew? Mimi

From: "Mimi Karlsson" <mimi@oco.net>
Sent: 8/17/23 7:31 PM
To: islanderadventures@yahoo.com, "towncouncil@littlecomptonri.org"<towncouncil@littlecomptonri.org>
Subject: Year off from Mooring 49

Mary W. Karlsson
10 Quoquonset Lane
Little Compton RI 02837
August 17, 2023

Little Compton Harbor Master
Box 226
Little Compton, RI 02837
Subject: Year off from Mooring 49

Dear Little Compton Harbor Master,

My husband had open heart surgery April 27, 2023 to replace two heart valves and repair another at Brigham, Boston. Days after the surgery his incision showed severe infection, so he has been in two acute care hospitals and now a rehab facility ever since.
We had hoped he would be recovered by August to allow us to launch our Dyer and enjoy boating in August, September and October, but we have been told he needs another surgery and another month or more of rehabilitation. Therefore we need to request that we have this year off from use of our mooring #49.

We had replaced all the mooring tackle in late 2021, but Aquidneck Mooring reported that severe damage had been done to the new top chain apparently by boats that did not have our permission to use it prior to our use in August-October 2022 requiring placement of the top chain again this year costing another $400.00. We ask that no one be permitted to use it in our absence this year, 2023. We have held back the pennant to discourage use.

Thank you,

Mary Woodcock Karlsson

cc Little Compton Town Council
Dear Gentlemen,

Mercifully the canon fire has finally stopped in our neighborhood. The noise from the crop cannons this past summer was like a war zone from sunup to sundown. This summer the noise level, proximity to other homes, and duration of the noise was far beyond other years. Does the "Right to farm" give someone the right to traumatize your neighbors, their pets, destroy their quality of life, and negatively impact their property values? Certainly, that can't be true. One neighbor has had to sedate her dog to cope with the cannons.

The majority of the residents in the Compton Cliffs neighborhood are retired, many elderly and some have health issues. We live here for the peace and quiet, like many Little Compton residents hope to have. Is it fair that we should be subjected to the extremely loud noise like a war zone so a local farmer can make more money selling corn?

My father's family were farmers for 5 generations. I worked on our farms growing up and can appreciate the challenges of this profession. We used scare crows that did not bother others. No one should have the right to disturb the peace of their neighbors. I ask the town council to do the right thing and stop this travesty.

Respectfully,

Tom Grimes
------ Original Message ------
From: Bob Naranjo <bnaranjo@cmgfi.com>
To: "towncouncil@littlecompton.org" <towncouncil@littlecompton.org>
Date: 08/26/2023 3:56 PM EDT
Subject: FW: Propane cannons used by Walker's Farm

See below.......
We are Bob and Karen Naranjo who reside at 26 Seaspray Way, Little Compton, RI. for the last 3 years. We have no problem with the Walker’s earning a living but are there other methods or maybe less noisy or silent cannons that can be used so we don’t hear this noise all day long. The noise is disruptive to us and I also have an 11+ year old boxer who is petrified of that noise. She doesn’t like thunder or fireworks either but at least they are more infrequent. A little compassion for the surrounding neighbors is all we ask for.

Sincerely,

Bob Naranjo
Dear Town Council Members,

The below link reviews epa.gov overview/details about the clean air act and the negative health effects noise pollution could have on individuals. I believe crop cannon noise is noise pollution and it's negative health effects should be part of the ongoing discussions regarding crop cannon use in Little Compton.

Respectfully,
Stephen Maher
Seaspray Way, LC


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Clean Air Act Overview

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Clean Air Act Title IV – Noise Pollution

The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments added a new title IV, relating to acid deposition control, *without repealing the existing title IV, relating to noise pollution*. The U.S. Code designates the original title IV (noise pollution) as subchapter IV and the new title IV (acid deposition control) as subchapter IV-A <https://epa.gov/clean-air-act-overview/clean-air-act-title-iv-subchapter-acid-deposition-control>.

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**What is Noise Pollution?**

The traditional definition of noise is "unwanted or disturbing sound". Sound becomes unwanted when it either interferes with normal activities such as sleeping, conversation, or disrupts or diminishes one's quality of life. The fact that you can't see, taste or smell it may help explain why it has not received as much attention as other types of pollution, such as air pollution, or water pollution. The air around us is constantly filled with sounds, yet most of us would probably not say we are surrounded by noise. Though for some, the persistent and escalating sources of sound can often be considered an annoyance. This "annoyance" can have major consequences, primarily to one's overall health.
Health Effects

Noise pollution adversely affects the lives of millions of people. Studies have shown that there are direct links between noise and health. Problems related to noise include stress related illnesses, high blood pressure, speech interference, hearing loss, sleep disruption, and lost productivity. Noise Induced Hearing Loss (NIHL) is the most common and often discussed health effect, but research has shown that exposure to constant or high levels of noise can cause countless adverse health affects.

Learn more about the health effects:

Protection from Noise

Individuals can take many steps to protect themselves from the harmful effects of noise pollution. If people must be around loud sounds, they can protect their ears with hearing protection (e.g., ear plugs or ear muffs). There are various strategies for combating noise in your home, school, workplace, and the community.

Learn more about noise pollution prevention:
The Role of EPA

Under the Clean Air Act, the EPA administrator established the Office of Noise Abatement and Control (ONAC) to carry out investigations and studies on noise and its effect on the public health and welfare. Through ONAC, the EPA coordinated all Federal noise control activities, but in 1981 the Administration concluded that noise issues were best handled at the State and local level. As a result, ONAC was closed and primary responsibility of addressing noise issues was transferred to State and local governments. However, EPA retains authority to investigate and study noise and its effect, disseminate information to the public regarding noise pollution and its adverse health effects, respond to inquiries on matters related to noise, and evaluate the effectiveness of existing regulations for protecting the public health and welfare, pursuant to the Noise Control Act of 1972 and the Quiet Communities Act of 1978.

Learn more about the Clean Air Act, Noise Control Act of 1972, and the Quiet Communities Act of 1978:


The Quiet Communities Act of 1978 [https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/95/s3083/text](https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/95/s3083/text)