

Open Discussion Questions

January 17, 2024

1. Carolyn Dileo - Joint meeting with Charter....." we did hold a meeting and had a quorum of both committees and it happened" Treasurer's accountant approval..... we should have done due diligence. We are municipality. Should not have passed this.... OMA violation? Flooring – what color, who is choosing that? There are other floor guys, local. Bids are required, since a municipality. **We never held a public joint meeting between the Charter Comm & Council. Council was invited to their meeting, last minute. Treasurer did her due diligence, consistent with FD procedures on researching 3 accounting firms and presenting them to the council. As for the floor, there is a color written in as a place holder, nothing signed to date.**
2. Anita Langer – Bid process – we never did not have bids. Do not just hire people. Should not have approved, tonight. Laurie – legal fees of \$629? Dickinson spent over 6 hours at least at the meetings. Why not charging, pro-bono? Should have invoices for all that. Seems like a one man show. Carol spending money without approval. Must represent the whole community. Did not post the meeting. **Meeting was posted on SOS & Community Center Board, per law (before 48-hour window). The FD has received only one invoice for legal services for any matter this current FYTD 2024 and it was from Attorney Dickinson for \$629. The Council is not spending money without approval.**
3. Tony Lupino – Have they contacted Coastal Resources (CRMC)? They have jurisdiction and what is going on? **Remember, we support the CRMC & Town lead. Those two generate the plan. Coincidentally, there has been a site visit, after our Wednesday Council meeting.**
4. Loyd Albert – our beach! A year ago, Carol said putting a plan together with ALL where is that plan? Pond, Little Beach, Dunes Rd will love to engage.....gather all experts to create a committee. Carol responded that she was told Land Trust issue. **Mr. Delgizzo did not want us to move forward with anything, stating it was Land trust property. Nothing was done. You will be reached out to (with others) to participate**
5. Robert Patterson – tried to run 2 meetings without notice. The 10/31 7:30AM meeting was intentionally without notice and zoom and hiding. Friday, agenda filed ... not until FB mentioned it. Why didn't Steve mention about where the agenda is? Arrogant. Just like ignoring the petition. **The agenda was posted, sent out & blasted, no violation. The special meeting was early and all members who were in state, attended. Some must get to work.**
6. Cristianna Quinn – petition signed by 70 asking for election. Many are past your terms. Not given answer within 60 days for petition. **Cannot comment at this time.**
7. Matt Mannix – not a municipality, not a town. Need a voter list for a special/annual meeting. Charter amendment failed. "It tried to cherry pick voters." I have a proposal to amend charter to hold meeting with existing voter list. We are not a public body. Offering to help get proposal

to the General Assembly. I will send my proposal to council to remove public powers, to restore as non-profit corporation status. While researching "list of municipalities in Rhode Island," we found that there are approximately 39 municipalities in Rhode Island. BSFD is not one of them.

8. Faith Lasalle – Council do not request but DIRECT a joint meeting with Charter Commission. Since Nov 14, a lot of mal-communication. Thank you.
9. Cathy Dailey – in reference to open discussion, how long to answer questions? No policy for answering questions. The process of hearing and not answering public comment is a common practice for the Town of Narragansett meetings, as well.
10. Paula Childs – violated act for timely information. In 3 years, they wrote 5 checks to Tom D. \$14K paid to Tom in last 3 years. No records for him doing acts. "Only \$14,000 paid to Tom"??? Is he working for free? Why you taking him everywhere? No record of pro bono work? The several APRA requests presented to the FD were responded to in a timely manner. The responses include every detailed invoice the FD received from Attorney Dickinson's office and their payments. Yes, there are 5 invoices totaling \$14,282. Attorney Dickinson charges \$185/hour for his legal services.
11. Nancy Cordi – Jan 11th email.... Reply to an all caps, red, for people not behaving at workers. It seemed insulting. Emailed to put things on the agenda and only Carolyn replied. As for the people operating the heavy machinery, Fire District & Land Trust are liable. Adults crossing the caution tape, walking behind the equipment with total disregard, is mind boggling. Others are requesting special favors, too. Eblast certainly in "red," but not all caps.

We know that everyone is concerned about the beach and the sand and dune loss due to the three big storms on December 18, January 9 & 10 and January 12 & 13. CRMC is not issuing emergency assent permits and we must wait to rebuild the beach in the warmer months (April-May time frame). If we put sand back on the beach now, there is concern that it will erode during normal high tides and additional storm activity. If, however, sand can be placed in spring, rather than eroding, it can jumpstart the natural accretion process. Please be patient. We will rebuild the beach and make it beautiful again.