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ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING Meeting of May 9, 2017 – 8 a.m. Conference Room A

Present: Councilor Ben Hartwell, Chair; Councilors Sherrie Benner and Ron Shepard.

Also Present: Town Manager, David Cole; Town Planner, Tom Poirier; Zoning Administrator, David Galbraith; Public Works Director, Bob Burns; Deputy Public Works Director, Terry Deering.

1. Consideration of minutes of March 29, 2017 Committee meeting.

A motion was MADE by Councilor Benner, SECONDED by Councilor Shepard, and VOTED to accept the minutes of the March 29, 2017 Ordinance Committee as distributed. Unanimous vote.

- 2. Current Business.
- A. Review Proposed Cemetery Ordinance and make a recommendation to Council (referred by Town Council on September 6, 2016).

The Committee reviewed the ordinance and discussed corrections and amendments to be made. David Cole recommended that the Committee propose a fee schedule for Town Council to review.

A motion was MADE by Councilor Shepard, SECONDED by Councilor Benner and VOTED that the Cemetery Ordinance and fee schedule be provided to Town Council for review and approval to be added to the May 16, 2017 Town Council Agenda. Unanimous vote.

B. Review the Narragansett Development District and make appropriate recommendations for changes, if any, to the Town Council (referred by Town Council on January 5, 2016).

A motion was MADE by Councilor Shepard, SECONDED by Councilor Benner, and VOTED to table this item until the developer has the plans for the property formerly known as the racetrack or Hannaford property. Unanimous vote.

3. Items Referred to Committee for Future Meetings/Action

The Committee reviewed the items in front of them for future discussion.

After discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Shepard, SECONDED by Councilor Benner, and VOTED to recommend to Town Council to remove the item from the agenda relating to amending the Land Use and Development Code by adding the sale of industrial products as a permitted use in the Industrial Zone, as accessory use is allowed under the current code. Unanimous vote.

4. Other Business.

There was no discussion of other business.

5. Schedule next meeting and discuss agenda items for next meeting.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, June 27, at 8 a.m. The Committee discussed and requested that the following items be placed on the agenda for discussion:

- A. Review a request to amend the Land Use & Development Code to allow varied density in large houses in the Gorham Village area, as recommended in the Comprehensive Plan, and make a recommendation to Town Council (referred by Town Council on March 7, 2017).
- B. Review a proposal to allow the Fire Department to provide an option to conduct reviews and issue construction permits of building plans that currently require review and approval by the State Fire Marshall's Office, and to make appropriate recommendations to the Town Council (referred by Town Council on July 5, 2016).
- 6. Adjournment.

There being no further business, a motion was MADE by Councilor Benner, SECONDED by Councilor Shepard, and VOTED to adjourn. Time of adjournment: 9:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Hughes, Administrative Assistant to Town Manager & HR Director