

-Approved-
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Agenda
August 16, 2010
6:30 P.M. – Executive Session
7:00 P.M.
Municipal Meeting Room
Maine Street Station
16 Station Avenue

Councilors Present: Chair Joanne T. King, W. David Watson, Benjamin J. Tucker, Suzan Wilson, John M. Perreault, Gerald E. Favreau, Margo H. Knight, E. Benet Pols, and Deborah R. Atwood

Councilors Absent: None

Town Staff Present: Gary Brown, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; John Eldridge, Finance Director; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Marc Hagan, Police Commander; Brian Dancause, Economic Development Specialist, and TV3 video crew.

Executive Session: Acquisition of real property per M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C)

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to go into executive session to discuss acquisition of real property per M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Chair King resumed the meeting and asked for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment:

Dave Nadeau, Brunswick Downtown Association Events Co-Chair, spoke on the Taste of Brunswick and the Arts Festival.

Selma Sternlieb, 21 McKeen Street, asked about getting a ballot question on the November election regarding bringing war dollars back home.

Manager Brown and Fran Smith responded to questions from Councilor Pols and Ms. Sternlieb.

Amanda Similien spoke on the Maine Street Mile on September 25th and the opening of the Market Basket on Thursday.

Correspondence:

Councilor Knight recognized Charles Abbott, who is retiring as the Artistic Director of Maine State Music Theatre, and thanked him for his service.

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Councilor Atwood spoke on an event at the Frontier Café where David Cobb from the Move To Amend Campaign will speak.

Councilor Tucker spoke about the Bank of America letter on late taxes and indicated to check with the Town Tax Office to see if your taxes are paid, since many letters were sent in error.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

Councilor Pols withdrew Item 97.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) Financial Update

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

(A copy of the financial reports will be attached to the official minutes.)

(b) Council Committee Updates

Reports were given on the PACE group and the Downtown Master Plan Committee.

Chair King spoke about the options to purchase properties on Pleasant and Stanwood Street for a site for the future Police Station. The item will be coming back to the Council at the September 7th meeting.

(c) Nomination Papers

Fran Smith spoke on this item.

(d) (ADDED) Nomination as Candidate for Federal Highway Administration grant for Technical Assistance

Anna Breinich and Councilor Knight spoke on this item program and how Brunswick was one of eight communities in the country that got this nomination.

PUBLIC HEARING:

94. The Town Council will hear public comments on amendments to Chapter 14 (Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places) requiring bicycle helmets to be worn by cyclists on the Androscoggin River Bicycle Path, and will take any appropriate action.

Councilor Tucker spoke on this item.

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Chair King opened the public hearing.

Peter Footer, 261 Old Bath Road, spoke against this ordinance.

Chair King closed the public hearing.

Councilor Atwood, Councilor Pols, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Tucker and Councilor Watson spoke on this item.

Chair King and Councilor Favreau asked questions, to which Chief Rizzo responded.

The discussion included looking at education programs for cyclists, signage changes, and having a bike rodeo.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to table this item so the Recreation Commission could explore the ideas discussed by the Council to make recommendations to the Council. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Chair King was opposed.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

95. The Town Council will consider adopting a Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Appropriation of \$55,000 from Unappropriated Available General Fund Revenues to Provide Funding for the Improvements and Related Expenditures to Town-Owned Real Estate at 35 Union Street (People Plus Center), and will take any appropriate action.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Knight, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Tucker, Councilor Wilson, Councilor King, Councilor Watson, and Councilor Favreau spoke on this item.

Councilor Favreau asked questions, to which Manager Brown responded.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to adopt a Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Appropriation of \$55,000 from Unappropriated Available General Fund Revenues to Provide Funding for the Improvements and Related Expenditures to Town-Owned Real Estate at 35 Union Street (People Plus Center). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the adopted Resolution will be attached to the official minutes.)

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- 96. The Town Council will discuss and consider the suggestion to close the two inside lanes of Maine Street during the Brunswick Downtown Arts Festival, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor Knight spoke on this item.

Chair King spoke on this item and asked questions, to which Councilor Knight responded.

Councilor Favreau, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Councilor Atwood spoke on this item and asked questions, to which Councilor Knight responded.

Manager Brown spoke on this item regarding a citizen who sent an email opposing any changes.

Councilor Watson asked questions, to which Manager Brown responded.

Mr. Footer spoke on this item and asked a question, to which Councilor Knight responded.

Jill Pearlman, 34 Longfellow Avenue, spoke in support of this.

Connie Lundquist, 11 Longfellow Avenue, spoke in support of this.

Dave Nadeau, Events Co-Chair BDA, spoke on this item and was in support of this.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to close the two inside lanes of Maine Street during the Brunswick Downtown Arts Festival on August 21, 2010. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 97. The Town Council will discuss Willow Grove's request to have the Town accept the seven fire hydrants in Willow Grove, and will determine if any future action is needed.**

Councilor Pols removed this item.

- 98. The Town Council will discuss overnight parking bans in the vicinity of Bowdoin College that were adopted by the Council in September 2000, to determine if such bans are still necessary, or to what extent they remain necessary, given recent changes in Bowdoin's student car permitting policy, and the expansion of parking at Dayton Arena, and determine if any future action is needed.**

Councilor Pols spoke on this item.

Paul Franco, 34 Longfellow Avenue, spoke to support removing the overnight ban.

Jill Pearlman, 34 Longfellow Avenue, spoke to support removing the overnight ban.

Harry Warren, 9 Longfellow Avenue, spoke to support removing the overnight ban.

Connie Lundquist, 11 Longfellow Avenue and Board of College Neighborhood Association, spoke in this item and her concerns with changing the current language.

Chair King, Councilor Pols, Councilor Watson, Councilor Knight, and Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

No action was taken on this discussion item.

- 99. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for September 7, 2010, on submission of a CDBG Economic Development Program Grant application on behalf of Maine Tool & Machine, LLC, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to set a public hearing for September 7, 2010, to discuss and approve the submission of a CDBG grant application for Maine Tool & Machine, LLC. The motion carried nine (9) yeas.

- 100. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for September 7, 2010, on submission of a CDBG Economic Development Program Grant application on behalf of Kestrel Aircraft Company, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor Atwood moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to set a public hearing for September 7, 2010, to discuss and approve the submission of a CDBG grant application for Kestrel Aircraft Company. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 101. The Town Council will consider approving the Southern Maine Regional Sustainable Planning Initiative Partnership Agreement for the purpose of submitting an application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant, and will take any appropriate action.**

Anna Breinich spoke on this item and responded to questions from Councilor Atwood and Councilor Watson.

Councilor Atwood spoke on this item.

Councilor Knight moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Southern Maine Regional Sustainable Planning Initiative Partnership Agreement on behalf of the Town of Brunswick. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the agreement will be attached to the official minutes.)

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102. The Town Council will consider appointments to the Town's Boards and Committees, and will take any appropriate action.

Councilor Pols nominated the following people to serve on Town Committees:

Anthony Yuodsukis for Marine Resources Committee

Michael Wilson for the Recycling and Sustainability Committee

Claude Philippon for the Brunswick Topsham Water Trust

The nominations were supported with nine (9) yeas.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- (a) **Approval of the Minutes of July 26, 2010**
- (b) **Approval of Municipal Quitclaim Deed for Map U09 Lot 074 Sub 000 Typ 000**
- (c) **Approval of Utility Location Permit for Maine Natural Gas on the south side of Center Street**
- (d) **Acceptance of Cornerstone Drive as a Town Way**

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of information for c and d will be attached to the official minutes.)

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
August 18, 2010*

September 7, 2010
Date of Approval

Council Chair

