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BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2009
6:00 P.M.
Old Times Record Building
6 Industry Road

Councilors Present: Chair M. Hallie Daughtry, W. David Watson, Benjamin J. Tucker, Karen J. Klatt, Gerald E. Favreau, Margo H. Knight, E. Benet Pols, Deborah R. Atwood, and Joanne T. King.

Councilors Absent: None.

Town Staff Present: Fran Smith, Town Clerk; John Eldridge, Finance Director; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Marc Hagan, Police Commander; Elin M. Gould, Deputy Town Clerk.

Chair Daughtry called the meeting to order and asked for roll call.

Executive Session: Consultations with Legal Counsel Per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E) for the purpose of consultations between a body and its attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the body.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to go into executive session per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E) for the purpose of consultations between a body and its attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the body. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

MEETING RESUMED AT 6:48 P.M.

124. The Town Council will discuss authorizing the Council to negotiate the terms of an employment agreement with a candidate for the position of Brunswick Town Manager, subject to final approval by the Council of a negotiated agreement, and will take any appropriate action.

Chair Daughtry gave a timeline of the hiring process since the former Town Manager announced his retirement in September 2008.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Watson seconded, that the Council authorize the Council Chair and the Council Vice-Chair, with the assistance of the Town's consultant Municipal Resources, Inc. and the Town Attorney, to negotiate the terms of an employment agreement with Gary Brown for the position of Brunswick Town Manager, subject to final approval by the Council of a negotiated agreement.

Each Councilor went around the table and stated their candidate of choice.

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Chair Daughtry, Councilor Tucker, Councilor Klatt, and Councilor Atwood expressed support for Laurie Smith.

Councilor Favreau, Councilor Knight, Councilor Pols, and Councilor King expressed support for Gary Brown.

Councilor Watson spoke on this item and did not announce his choice, citing the privilege of Executive Session.

Chair Daughtry opened the floor for public comment.

Town Attorney Pat Scully spoke on this item.

The following people made comments on this item:

Michelle Small, 34 Stanwood Street

Richard Fisco, 2 Lincoln Street

Tom Fusco, 66 Board Road

Marybeth Burbank, 11 Cumberland Street

Louise Rosen, 16 High Street

Scott Taylor, 11 High Street

Town Attorney Scully provided answers to the questions that had been raised by the citizens who spoke.

Councilor King, Councilor Atwood, Councilor Knight, Councilor Klatt, and Councilor Favreau again spoke on this item.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor King seconded, to move the question. The motion failed with four (4) yeas. Councilor Tucker, Councilor Klatt, Councilor Daughtry, Councilor Knight, and Councilor Pols were opposed.

Councilor Klatt, Councilor Pols, Councilor King, and Councilor Watson again spoke on the item.

(A letter from the search firm MRI, Inc. will be attached to the official minutes.)

Chair Daughtry and Councilor Atwood announced that they will support the motion.

Vote on the motion:

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motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Tucker and Councilor Klatt were opposed.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE ACTION MINUTES. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

Frances M. Smith

Town Clerk

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September 8, 2009

Date of Approval

Council Chair