

-Approved-
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
December 5, 2011
7:00 P.M.
Municipal Meeting Room
Brunswick 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, and E. Benet Pols

Councilors Absent: Councilor Deborah R. Atwood

Town Staff Present: Gary Brown, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to Town Manager; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Tom Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director; Pat Scully, Town Attorney; Russ Wrede, Police Sergeant; and TV video crew.

Chair King called the meeting to the order, led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked the Clerk for roll call.

Public Comment:

Bob Morrison, Bouchard Drive, spoke about area residents' concerns with the construction of the Amtrak layover facility.

Peter Anastos, owner of the Brunswick Fairfield Inn, spoke about the TIF for the Inn at Brunswick Station and how it has affected other hotels in the community.

Correspondence:

Chair King spoke about the passing of Harold Emerson, Deputy Fire Chief of the Call Department, and of all the great things he did for this community.

Councilor Pols, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Favreau, and Chair King spoke on concerns that voters had regarding the polling location. Ms. Smith responded to some of their questions.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

To add item Manager' Report C regarding a tree donation.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) Council Committee Updates

Reports were given on the following committees: NNEPRA Advisory Board, Master Plan Implementation Committee, Capital Improvement Committee, and Website Committee.

(b) (ADDED) Authorization of Homeland Security Grant

Manager Brown and Chief Brilliant spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to authorize the Town to apply for a Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$142,500. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

(c) (ADDED) Donation of Tree by Vail Tree Services

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Knight moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to accept a donation from Vail Tree Services of a tree for the upper Town Mall. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

141. The Town Council will hear public comments on an application for a Special Amusement License, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)

1827 LLC

D/B/A: Captain Daniel Stone Inn
10 Water Street

Kevin Savage

Chair King opened the public hearing; hearing no comments, she closed the public hearing.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to approve a special amusement license for 1827 LLC (Captain Daniel Stone Inn) at 10 Water Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

142. The Town Council will hear public comments on a proposed Fireworks Ordinance prohibiting the sale and use of fireworks in Brunswick, to be enacted on an emergency and regular basis, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Tucker)

Councilor Tucker spoke on this item.

Chair King opened the public hearing.

The following people spoke on this item:

Mike Laskey, 248 Bunganuc Road
Randy Dumont, 84 Maquoit Road

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Rodney Dumont, 14 Palmer Street
Hunter Johnson, 32 Pollard Avenue
Leon Thayer, 297 Mere Point Road
Sue Odell, 293 Maine Street
Rob Peabody, 19 Tufton Street
John Smith, Water Street
Jim Chase, Gurnet Road

Chair King closed the public hearing.

Councilor Tucker spoke on this item.

Main Motion:

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to adopt the proposed Fireworks Ordinance prohibiting the sale and use of fireworks in Brunswick, to be enacted on an emergency and regular basis.

Councilor Favreau spoke on this item.

Amendment to Motion:

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to amend the proposed ordinance to allow for the use of fireworks in certain sections of town with a town issued permit.

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

Town Attorney Pat Scully responded to questions from Councilor Watson.

Chief Brilliant and Chief Rizzo spoke on the item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to table the proposed amendment until December 19, 2011. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to table to proposed ordinance until December 19, 2011. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

TABLED ITEM

137. The Town Council will consider endorsing the Affordable Midcoast Housing Plan, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)

Manager Brown spoke on this item and read the draft resolution.

Councilor Tucker, Councilor Favreau, Councilor Knight, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Watson spoke on the item.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to adopt the Resolution in Support of the Goals of the Community Regarding the Transition of Navy Housing. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Pols was opposed.

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

NEW BUSINESS

143. The Town Council will consider amending the Special Amusement license for AKI to allow for music on the first floor, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to amend the Special Amusement license for AKI to allow for music on the first floor in addition to the basement area. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Approval of Minutes of November 21, 2011

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
December 7, 2011*

December 21, 2011
Date of Approval

Council Chair