

**-- APPROVED --**  
**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**  
**February 2, 2009**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**Municipal Meeting Facility**  
**44 McKeen Street**

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

**Councilors Absent:** None

**Town Staff Present:** Gary Brown, Acting Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; John Eldridge, Finance Director; Tom Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Clark Labbe, Fire Chief; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Craig Worth, Deputy Public Works Director; Amanda Similien, Economic Development Specialist; and TV video crew.

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

**Public Comment:**

**Alvah Luce**, 65 Harpswell Street, spoke on the towing rounds and guidelines, expressing concern with companies being used that are not on the list. He also had concerns about too many vehicles needing repair being towed to one body shop.

**Correspondence:**

Councilor Pols, responding to an email from a citizen on the cost of the chimney swift's tower, said that it was not paid for with tax dollars.

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

A Notice of Award of a Special Permit had been given to the Council and they have 30 days to take this up.

**Adjustments to the Agenda:** None

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**(a) Council Committee Updates**

Updates were given on the following committees: the Facilities Committee, the Downtown Master Plan Committee, and the Maine Street Station Oversight Committee.

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*(A copy of remarks by Councilor Knight on the Maine Street Station project and a spreadsheet on expenditures will be attached to the official minutes.)*

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor King seconded, to endorse a letter to be mailed to the entire Congressional delegation regarding EDA funding for the Maine Street Station Project, such letter to be sent at the discretion of the Chair, no later than Wednesday, based on what happens with the EDA funds. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of the draft letter will be attached to the official minutes.)*

**(b) Update on the Workshop of January 26, 2009**

Manager Brown gave this update.

**(c) MEMA Grant**

Clark Labbe, Fire Chief, spoke on this item.

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to accept and expend the MEMA grant in the amount of \$14,180 to be used for specialized training for the HazMat Team and a school emergency exercise. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**(d) Report on Public Service Grant for Tedford Housing Project**

Amanda Similien, Economic Development Specialist, spoke on this item.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- 12. The Town Council will hear public comments on the following Special Amusement License, and will take any appropriate action.**

**Special Amusement**

**Cuddy's Bar & Grill Inc.**

**D/B/A: Cuddy's Bar and Grill**

**103 Pleasant Street**

**Kristen Dwelley**

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

Chief Rizzo spoke on this item and the number of calls to the location.

**Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to approve a Special Amusement License for Cuddy's Bar & Grill. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

- 13. The Town Council will hear public comments on amending Chapter 14 (Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places) of the Code of Ordinances to add the Laurier**

**Pinette Property (Map U7, Lot 19) to the list of Town Parks, and will take any appropriate action.**

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

**Councilor Knight moved, Councilor King seconded, to adopt amendments to Chapter 14 (Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places) Section 14-124 of the Code of Ordinances to add the Laurier Pinette Property (Map U7, Lot 19) to the list of Town Parks. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

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

- 14. The Town Council will hear public comments on amending Chapter 10 (Licenses and Business Regulations) to allow the fee to be waived for Sales by Non Profits on a Public Place, and will consider reimbursing the Brunswick Downtown Association the \$500 fee for the Arts Festival on August 15, 2009, and will take any appropriate action.**

Chair Daughtry opened the public hearing.

David Nadeau, co-Chair of the Brunswick Downtown Association, spoke on this item.

Chair Daughtry closed the public hearing.

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Atwood seconded, to adopt amendments to Chapter 10 (Licenses and Business Regulations) Section 10-26(14) of the Code of Ordinances to allow the fee to be waived for Sales by Non Profits on a Public Place. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Knight abstained since her husband is on the BDA board.**

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

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to reimburse the Brunswick Downtown Association the \$500 fee for the Arts Festival on August 15, 2009, except the \$25 application fee. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Knight abstained since her husband is on the BDA board.**

**NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

- 15. The Town Council will consider adopting the Town Council Goals for 2009, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Goals were read to the public.

**Councilor King moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to adopt the 2009 Town Council Goals. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of 2009 adopted goals will be attached to the official minutes.)*

- 16. The Town Council will discuss issues surrounding Pleasant Street, including coordination of a transportation study, Paul and Stanwood Street connections, and design standards like those at Cooks Corner, and determine if any future action is needed.**

The Council's consensus was to support this subcommittee as outlined by Councilor Pols.

Chair Daughtry appointed Councilor Klatt, Councilor Favreau, Councilor Pols, Councilor Atwood, and Councilor King to this subcommittee.

*(A copy of the subcommittee's charge will be attached to the official minutes.)*

- 17. The Town Council will consider amending the Council Rules to prohibit the use of electronic communication devices (cell phones/Blackberries/pagers) during Council meetings, and will take any appropriate action.**

The Council consensus was to ask that these devices not be used except in case of an emergency or family situation, to ask members of the public to turn off their devices, to have this information posted at the Council Chambers, and to encourage other boards to do the same. The Chair(s) will have the authority to make exceptions based on requests from their members.

- 18. The Town Council will consider amending the Council Rules to eliminate the People Plus Board of Trustees from the list of Boards that prohibits members from serving on another board, and will take any appropriate action.**

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke on this item

**Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor King seconded, to change the Council Rules Section 27 to remove the People Plus Board from the list that prevents individuals from serving on more than one committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of the change to the rules will be attached to the official minutes.)*

- 19. The Town Council will discuss moving the District 4 Polling location and consolidating of polls for the Special Referendum on the School Budget, and determine if any future action is needed.**

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke on this item.

This is a discussion item and there is no proposed motion, but it will be coming back to the Council at their next meeting for possible action.

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

The following people were appointed to Committees:

Amanda Mahaffey to serve on the Conservation Commission with a vote of nine (9) yeas.

Lloyd Constantine to serve on the Housing Authority with a vote of nine (9) yeas.

Charles Frizzle to serve on the Planning Board with a vote of eight (8) yeas.

Councilor Klatt was opposed.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- (a) **Minutes of January 20, 2009**
- (b) **Dog Warrant**
- (c) **MDOT Overweight Vehicle Agreement**

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

*(A copy of the Dog Warrant and MDOT agreement will be attached to the official minutes.)*

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 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  
February 3, 2009*

February 17, 2009  
*Date of Approval*

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*Council Chair*