

-Approved-
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
July 12, 2010
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, E. Benet Pols, and Deborah R. Atwood

Councilors Absent: Councilor Margo H. Knight

Town Staff Present: Gary Brown, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; John Eldridge, Finance Director; John Foster, Public Works Director; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Jeff Hutchinson, Code Enforcement Officer; Jeff Emerson, Deputy Fire Chief; Marc Hagan, Police Commander; Don Koslosky, Deputy Fire Chief; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Elin Gould, Deputy Town Clerk; Kris Hultgren, Town Planner; and TV video crew.

Chair King called for the Pledge of Allegiance and asked the Clerk for Roll Call.

Public Comment:

Richard Chaucer, 84 Union Street, asked about the Explorer Bus program. *(There will be an update on the July 26 meeting)*

Correspondence:

Councilor Atwood spoke on a recent AARP Bulletin that has an article on Brunswick being a bike friendly community.

Adjustments to the Agenda: None

MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) Council Committee Updates

Reports were made on the following committees: Downtown Master Plan Committee, and the Teen Center Board.

(b) Nomination Papers Availability

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke on this item.

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- (c) **Appointment of Newell Augur to MMA Legislative Policy Committee (*Action Required*)**

Councilor Tucker nominated Councilor Atwood since she is a sitting Councilor.

Councilor Atwood spoke on this item.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Wilson asked a question, to which Manager Brown responded, and then spoke on this item.

Councilor Pols asked a question, to which Councilor King and Councilor Wilson responded.

Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Pols seconded, to appoint Councilor Atwood as Brunswick's representative on the MMA Legislative Policy Committee and Newell Augur as the alternate. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Wilson was opposed.

- (d) **Discussion of NASB workshop**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor King spoke on this item.

Councilor Pols spoke on this item.

- (e) **Approval to apply for Department of Justice Grant (*Action Required*):**

Manager Brown and Commander Hagan spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to authorize the Police Department to apply for \$10,250 in Federal Edward J. Byrne Memorial grant funds to purchase capital items within the Police Department. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- (f) **(ADDED) BEDC Dissolved**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

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

Special Amusement

Bowdoin College

D/B/A: Bowdoin College Dining Service – Magee’s Grill

Ms. Susan Burt

David Saul Smith Union

Amanda Bernier

D/B/A: The Monkey Bar

Ms. Amanda Bernier

103 Pleasant Street

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

Amanda Bernier, owner, responded to a question from Councilor Atwood.

Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve the Special Amusement Licenses for Magee’s Grill, located at Bowdoin College, and The Monkey Bar, located at 103 Pleasant Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 80. The Town Council will hear public comments on proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding directional signs and placement of development signs, and will take any appropriate action.**

Kris Hultgren, Town Planner, spoke on this item.

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

Councilor Wilson asked a question, to which Mr. Hultgren responded.

Councilor Favreau spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adopt amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding directional sign and development sign placement. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of adopted language and Mr. Hultgren’s memo will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 81. The Town Council will hear public comments on proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the peer review process, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor King spoke on this item.

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Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Kris Hultgren, Town Planner, spoke on this item.

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

Councilor Pols spoke on this item.

Mr. Hultgren responded to comments made by Councilor Pols.

Councilor King and Councilor Wilson spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault asked a question, to which Councilor King responded.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the peer review process. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

82. The Town Council will hear public comments on consolidating voting polls to one location at Brunswick Junior High School, 65 Columbia Avenue, and will take any appropriate action.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke on this item.

Councilor King opened the public hearing.

Louise Ansari, 19 Riverview Drive, spoke against consolidation.

Stan Gerzofsky, 3 Federal Street and State Senator District 10, spoke against consolidation.

Charles Priest, 9 Bowker Street and State Representative District 63, spoke against consolidation at this time.

Richard Chaucer, Union Street, spoke against consolidation.

Alex Cornell du Houx, 15 Page Street and State Representative District 66, spoke against consolidation.

Greg Howard, 3 Ward Circle and Chair of Democratic Party, spoke against consolidation.

Councilor King closed the public hearing.

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Councilor King spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault asked questions, to which Ms. Smith responded.

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

Councilor Atwood moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to consolidate Brunswick voting district locations for future elections to one polling location at Brunswick Junior High School, located at 65 Colombia Avenue. The motion carried with five (5) yeas. Councilor Watson, Councilor Tucker, and Councilor Perreault were opposed.

(A copy of the State consolidation application will be attached to the official minutes. Consolidation requires approval of the Secretary of State.)

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

83. The Town Council will consider the Sewer District's request for the Town to transfer a portion of U07 Lot 64 property to the District, and will take any appropriate action.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor King spoke on this item.

Lenny Blanchette, General Manager of the Sewer District, spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault and Councilor Wilson asked questions, to which Mr. Blanchette responded.

Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker asked a question to which Mr. Farrell responded. Mr. Farrell then spoke on this item.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Favreau asked a question, to which Mr. Farrell and **Douglas Richmond**, Hacker Road and President of Merrymeeting Rowing Club, responded.

Mr. Richmond also spoke on this item.

Councilor King and Councilor Wilson asked questions, to which Mr. Richmond responded.

Councilor Favreau spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker asked a question, to which Manager Brown responded.

Manager Brown asked a question, to which Mr. Richmond responded.

Councilor Watson and Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to table this item indefinitely. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Perreault was opposed.

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

84. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for July 26, 2010, on **An Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Three New Fire Command Vehicles at a Cost Not to Exceed \$105,000 (Plus the Cost of Issuance), as well as the Issuance of Bonds, Notes or Capital Leases in order to Finance the Acquisition, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to set a public hearing for July 26, 2010, on An Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Three New Fire Command Vehicles at a Cost Not to Exceed \$105,000 (Plus the Cost of Issuance), as well as the Issuance of Bonds, Notes or Capital Leases in order to Finance the Acquisition. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

85. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for July 26, 2010, on amendments to Chapter 15 Traffic and Vehicles to prohibit parking on Coffin Street, and will take any appropriate action.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Pols seconded, to set a public hearing for July 26, 2010, on amendments to Chapter 15 to prohibit parking on Coffin Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

86. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for July 26, 2010, on amendments to the Chapter 12 Personnel Policy to make adjustments to compensatory time allocation for the Cable TV Coordinator and Systems Administrator, and will take any appropriate action.

Councilor Pols and Chair King asked questions, to which Mr. Brown responded.

Councilor Wilson spoke on this item.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to set a public hearing for July 26, 2010, on amendments to the Chapter 12 Personnel Policy to make adjustments to the compensatory time allocation for the Cable TV Coordinator and Systems Administrator. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

Councilor Pols nominated Fred Wigand to the Marine Resources Committee as the non-license holder. The Council voted eight (8) yeas to appoint him.

Councilor Pols nominated Jeffrey Ward and Karen Corey to the Recreation Commission. The Council voted eight (8) yeas to appoint them.

CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) **Approval of the Minutes of June 21, 2010**
- (b) **Approval of the Minutes of June 30, 2010**
- (c) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for Property located at 120 River Road**
- (d) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for Map 045, Lot 003, Sub 000, Typ 072**
- (e) **Approval of Utility Permits for Maine Natural Gas for sections of Hambleton Avenue, Country Lane, Hennessey Avenue, and Belmont Street**

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

(A copy of the Quitclaim Deeds and Utility Permits will be attached to the official minutes.)

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE ACTION MINUTES. THE ENTIRE MEETING CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.BRUNSWICKME.ORG.

*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
July 14, 2010*

July 26, 2010
Date of Approval

Council Chair