

-Approved-
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
January 24, 2011
(Meeting Rescheduled from January 18, 2011)
7:00 P.M. – Regular Meeting
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; David Markovchick, Director of Economic Development; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Kris Hultgren, Town Planner; and TV video crew.

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

Public Comment: None

Correspondence:

Councilor Atwood spoke on upcoming Home Energy Efficiency Workshops sponsored by the MidCoast Council of Government.

Councilor Perreault spoke on fire hydrant cleanout. Mr. Brown responded to the comment. Chair King and Councilor Watson also spoke on the issue.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

Councilor Atwood withdrew Item #8.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) Financial Update

Manager Brown gave this update.

(b) Council Committee Updates

Reports were given on the following committees: Recycling and Sustainability Committee, Elementary School Building Committee, and Police Station Subcommittee.

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(A copy of a memo from Councilor Atwood on behalf of the Recycling and Sustainability Committee will be attached to the official minutes.)

(c) Report on Communities for Maine's Future Bond Program

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

(A copy of a memo from Brian Dancause that outlines the program will be attached to the official minutes.)

(d) Reminder on renewal of dog licenses

(e) (ADDED) BDA award of Excellence for People Plus renovation

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

(f) (ADDED) Tax Increment Financing (TIF) at Brunswick Landing

Manager Brown spoke on this item and responded to Councilor Pols' question.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. The Town Council will consider approval of the following Special Amusement License, and will take any appropriate action.

**Brunswick Lodge of Elks #2043
D/B/A: Brunswick Lodge of Elk's
179 Park Row**

Ms. Angela Brackett

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

Councilor Knight spoke on concerns with noise.

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to approve a Special Amusement License for Brunswick Lodge of Elks. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

4. The Town Council will hear public comments on Zoning Ordinance amendments to permit non-aviation, but allowed uses, in the airport zone at Brunswick Landing, and will take any appropriate action.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

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

Councilor Atwood asked questions, to which Kris Hultgren responded.

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

Councilor Pols moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to adopt Zoning Ordinance amendments to permit non-aviation, but allowed uses, in the airport zone at Brunswick Landing. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of a memo with adopted language will be attached to the official minutes)

5. **The Town Council will hear public comments on amendments that remove the no parking ban on sections of Merryman Lane, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Chair King opened the public hearing.

Bernie Coombs, Merryman Lane, said he would like all of the no parking signs taken down.

Manager Brown spoke on the item.

Chair King closed public hearing.

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

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to adopt ordinance amendments to remove the no parking ban on sections of Merryman Lane. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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

NEW BUSINESS

6. **The Town Council will consider adopting the draft Master Plan for Downtown Brunswick and Outer Pleasant Street Corridor, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor Knight spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson spoke on this item. He asked a question, to which Manager Brown responded.

Scott Taylor, 11 High Street, spoke in support of the plan.

Councilor Favreau spoke on this item and thanked Councilors on the committee for their work.

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Councilor Pols spoke about the great work of Councilor Knight on this project.

Councilor Perreault spoke on this item.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt the draft Master Plan for Downtown Brunswick and Outer Pleasant Street Corridor. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the adopted plan will be attached to the official minutes and a copy will be on file in the Town Clerk's Office.)

- 7. The Town Council will consider a draft charge for a Downtown and Outer Pleasant Street Plan Implementation Committee, and will take any appropriate action.**

Councilor Knight spoke on this item.

Councilor Atwood spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson asked a question, to which Councilor Knight responded.

Chair King and Councilor Knight responded to Councilor Atwood's question.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to adopt the charge for the Downtown and Outer Pleasant Street Plan Implementation Committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Councilor Knight and Councilor Perreault will be the Council members on the committee.

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

- 8. The Town Council will hear a report from the PACE Committee and consider setting a public hearing on a proposed PACE ordinance, and will take any appropriate action.**

This item was withdrawn and will be taken up at a future meeting.

- 9. The Town Council will consider approving the Interlocal Agreement and endorsing the Gateway 1 Corridor Action Plan, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Anna Breinich spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson, Chair King, and Councilor Perreault asked questions, to which Ms. Breinich responded.

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

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Knight seconded, to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Gateway 1 Corridor Coalition Interlocal Agreement, and, further resolve to endorse the so-called Gateway 1 Corridor Action Plan, in principle, and make a “good faith effort” to consider amendments necessary to adopt the Action Plan as part of the Town of Brunswick 2008 Comprehensive Plan within 24 months of approving the Interlocal Agreement. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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

10. **The Town Council will consider appointing a Council subcommittee to assist with the updating of the Town’s web site, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to move forward on reviewing the Town’s Web page and to appoint a Council subcommittee to work on it. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Chair King appointed Councilor Watson, Councilor Pols, and Councilor Atwood to the Committee.

(A copy of a memo from Manager Brown will be attached to the official minutes.)

11. **The Town Council will consider a method to recognize the closing of NASB, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

The Council supported the proposed action. Councilor Tucker and Councilor Favreau will head this up.

(A copy of a memo from Manager Brown will be attached to the official minutes.)

12. **The Town Council will consider approving a contract with the Brunswick Benevolent Police Union, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item and responded to Councilor Pols’ question.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to ratify the union contract with the Brunswick Benevolent Police Association. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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(A copy of the Union Contract and a memo from Manager Brown outlining the key elements of the contract will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 13. The Town Council will consider a Resolution authorizing the Town Treasurer to waive foreclosure on certain real estate tax lien mortgages, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

John Eldridge responded to a question from Councilor Perreault.

Councilor Pols spoke on this item.

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

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt the Resolution authorizing the Town Treasurer to Waive Foreclosure on Certain Real Estate Tax Lien Mortgages. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

(a) Minutes December 20, 2010

(b) Minutes January 3, 2011

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Frances M. Smith

Town Clerk

January 25, 2010

February 7, 2011

Date of Approval

Council Chair