

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
September 6, 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, E. Benet Pols, and Deborah R. Atwood

Councilors Absent: None

Town Staff Present: Gary Brown, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to Town Manager; Don Koslosky, Deputy Fire Chief; Dan Devereaux, Marine Resources Officer, and TV video crew.

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

Public Comment:

Michelle Small, 34 Stanwood Street, spoke on the letter Margo Knight wrote to NEPRA, and the Right to Know Law.

Robert Morrison, 37 Bouchard Drive, spoke on the layover facility and asked that Councilor Perreault and Councilor Pols be appointed to the committee that would help develop it.

Joe Donahue and **William Ciciotte**, American Legion, spoke on their recent activities and their plan to have a 9/11 Day of Remembrance on the Brunswick Town Mall.

Correspondence:

Councilor Perreault apologized to his constituents for not being able to stop the layover facility from going into their neighborhood.

Councilor Watson and Councilor Favreau spoke on the upcoming Brunswick Alumni Association's Street Dance at Thomas Point Beach and other upcoming events.

Councilor Knight spoke on emails from neighbors on Page and Union Streets requesting crosswalks for students to get to the new school. Manager Brown responded that it is being looked at by staff.

Adjustments to the Agenda: None

MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) **Council Committee Updates**

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There was a report made on the Police Station Subcommittee and the opening of the new school.

(b) Introduction of Kristine Schuman, DECD Account Executive/MRRA liaison

Manager Brown introduced Ms. Schuman, who then made a few remarks about her role.

(c) Nominations to the MRRA Board (*Action Required*)

Manager Brown spoke on this item and responded to questions from the Council.

Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to forward the following names to the Governor's Office for consideration to be appointed to the MRRA Board: Arthur Boulay, Lois Skillings and John Dorrer. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the letter to the Governor's Office will be attached to the official minutes.)

(d) Safety Enhancement Grant for Fire Department (*Action Required*)

Deputy Chief Koslosky spoke on the grant.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to allow the Fire Department to apply for, and, if received, to expend, a Maine Municipal Association Safety Enhancement Grant to be used to purchase equipment for the confined space team. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(e) Review of open meeting law and what constitutes a public meeting by the Council

Pat Scully, Town Attorney, spoke on the open meeting law and his understanding of what happened with respect to the letter sent by Councilor Knight. He responded to questions from Councilor Atwood and Councilor Perreault.

Chair King, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Tucker, and Councilor Knight spoke on this item.

Michelle Small spoke on this item.

Lindy Ost, 22 Riverview Drive, spoke on this item.

(f) Update on damaged building on Oak Street

Manager Brown gave an update on this building and responded to questions from Councilor Perreault, Councilor Pols and Chair King.

Chris Ledwick, High Street, asked about a structural review and if there is insurance. Manager Brown responded.

Laura Lienert, High Street, said she would like to see action if there is insurance.

(g) **Update on nomination papers**

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke on this item.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

100. **The Town Council will hear public comments on the following Special Amusement License, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

Special Amusement Licenses:

Raven's Roost

**D/B/A Raven's Roost (The)
103 Pleasant Street**

Raven O'Brien/Ronald Wing Sr. & II

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

Ronald Wing, business owner, spoke on this item.

Councilor Favreau spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve a Special Amusement License for the Raven's Roost located at 103 Pleasant Street. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

NEW BUSINESS

101. **The Town Council will consider a request from the BDA for the 2011 Brunswick Fall Festival on October 1, 2011, and to waive the event's fee, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Stephanie Slocum, BDA Executive Director, spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve the request from Brunswick Downtown Association to hold the 2011 Brunswick Fall Festival on October 1, 2011, and to waive the \$500 fee, except the \$25 application fee to hold this event, as allowed under Chapter 10 Section 26(b)(14). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) **Minutes of August 8, 2011 meeting**

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
September 12, 2011

September 19, 2011
Date of Approval

Council Chair