

**-Approved-**  
**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes**  
**September 20, 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, 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; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; John Foster, Public Works Director; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Tom Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director; Troy Smith, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Department; Kris Hultgren, Town Planner; Julie Henze, Deputy Finance Director; Kevin Schofield, Police Commander; Marc Hagan, Police Commander; Jeff Hutchinson, Code Enforcement Officer; and TV3 video crew.

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

**Public Comments:**

**Ben Ford**, Simpsons Point Road, spoke on concerns he has regarding Simpsons Point.

**Correspondence:**

Councilor Pols introduced Mr. Godleski, the artist who provided the artwork in the Council chamber. Marilyn Henson is the other artist whose work is being displayed.

Councilor Wilson commented on the Simpsons Point issue and what the Marine Resource Committee discussed at their meeting. The closure and opening of it is up to the State. There is no permanent change being proposed at this time, with a study needing to be done prior to any discussion on changes.

**Frank Strasburger**, 27 Tidal Run Lane, asked a question about the agreement and said DEP would not be likely to open Simpsons Point if the Council does not support this. The community should be made aware if this matter comes up.

Chair King commented that the Council is sensitive to the citizens' concerns and there is a five year agreement that needs to be honored.

**Adjustments to the Agenda:** None

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**(a) Financial Update**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

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

**(b) Council Committee Updates**

Reports were given on the following committees: Downtown Master Plan Committee, PACE committee, People Plus, and Cable TV Committee

**(c) Report on Building Code Change**

Manager Brown gave this report.

**(d) Introduction of Troy Smith, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation**

Tom Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, introduced Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith thanked the town staff for their welcome.

**(e) (ADDED) Household Hazardous Waste Pickup Day**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

**(f) (ADDED) Ribbon Cutting for new People Plus location**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- 110. The Town Council will hear public comments on the following Automobile Graveyard and Junkyard License application, and will take any appropriate action.**

**Shawn Letourneau  
D/B/A: Brunswick Auto Recycling, LLC  
117 Bath Road**

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

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to approve an application for Automobile Graveyard and Junkyard License for Brunswick Auto Recycling, LLC. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**111. The Town Council will hear public comments on an Ordinance Authorizing Acquisition of Land and Authorizing Issuance of Bonds and Notes in an Amount not to Exceed \$1,175,000, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Chair King opened the public hearing.

**Ruthann Carlisle**, 12 Willow Grove, spoke about her concerns with the street intersection and that the buildings are not worth the cost.

**John Donovan**, 11 McKeen Street, spoke against this project due to cost, access, location and the general concept of the idea to put something at this location.

**Ted Laitala**, 9 Federal Street, spoke against this project and proposed other locations.

Chair King closed the public hearing.

Manager Brown responded to questions brought up in the public comments.

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

Councilor Pols spoke on this item. He asked questions, to which Manager Brown responded.

Chair King spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault spoke on this item and asked questions, to which Manager Brown, Chief Rizzo, and Ms. Breinich responded.

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

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to adopt an Ordinance Authorizing Acquisition of Land and Authorizing Issuance of Bonds and Notes in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,175,000. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Pols was opposed.**

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

- 112. The Town Council will hear public comments on amendments to the Zoning ordinance relative to contract consulting, and will take any appropriate action.**

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

Councilor Perreault abstained since he is a developer.

Councilor Pols asked a question, to which Kris Hultgren responded.

Mr. Hultgren gave an overview of the proposed amendments at the request of Councilor Watson.

Councilor Favreau spoke on the item.

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to adopt amendments to the Zoning ordinance relative to contract consulting. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Perreault abstained.**

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

**NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

- 113. The Town Council will discuss Willow Grove's request to have the Town accept the seven fire hydrants in Willow Grove, and will determine if any future action is needed.**

Councilor Pols spoke on this item.

**Thomas Green**, 28 Willow Grove, spoke on behalf of the residents of Willow Grove. He explained the reasons they are asking the Council to accept the hydrants.

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Watson asked a question, to which Chief Brilliant responded.

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

- 114. The Town Council will consider approving the request from Brunswick Downtown Association to hold their Annual Outdoor Arts Festival on August 20, 2011, and will take any appropriate action.**

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve the request from Brunswick Downtown Association to hold an Outdoor Arts Festival at the Lower Mall on August 20, 2011. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, 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.)*

**115. The Town Council will consider a request from the Brunswick Downtown Association for use of the Lower Mall for the Taste of Brunswick Event, to be held on June 18, 2011, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to approve the BDA's request for the Taste of Brunswick event to be held on June 18, 2011. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Favreau seconded, to permit the sale of alcohol at the Taste of Brunswick Event on June 18, 2011. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

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

**116. The Town Council will consider authorizing the Town Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Brunswick and the Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust Regarding Partnering to Conserve the Coombs' Property along the Androscoggin River, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Pols spoke on this item.

Chair King spoke on this item.

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

Councilor Wilson asked a question, to which **Angela Twitchell**, Executive Director of Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust, and Manager Brown, responded.

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

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Brunswick and the Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust Regarding Partnering to Conserve the Coombs' Property Along the Androscoggin River. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of a memo from Manager Brown, the Memorandum of Understanding, and a memo from Tom Farrell, along with pictures of the property, will be attached to the official minutes.)*

**117. The Town Council will consider approving a maintenance agreement with MDOT for a new traffic signal at the intersection of Route 1 southbound ramp and Maine Street, and will take any appropriate action.**

Manager Brown spoke on this item.

Councilor Knight spoke on this item.

Manager Brown and Ms. Breinich responded to Councilor Knight's concerns.

Councilor Atwood spoke on this item.

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

**Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Pols seconded, to enter into a maintenance agreement with MDOT for the new traffic signal at the intersection of Route 1 southbound ramp and Maine Street.**

**Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Tucker seconded, to table this item to allow for more information to be gathered. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- (a) Approval of the Minutes of September 7, 2010
- (b) Approval of the Minutes of September 13, 2010

**Councilor Tucker moved, Councilor Watson 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 9:27 p.m.

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

*Frances M. Smith*  
*Town Clerk*  
*September 24, 2010*

October 4, 2010  
*Date of Approval*

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*Council Chair*