

BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

October 6, 1997 7:30 P.M.

**MUNICIPAL MEETING ROOM
OLD BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL
7:00 P.M.**

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Laffely seconded, that the Town Council enter Executive Session to discuss the possible purchase of property and possible litigation. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas.

7:30 P.M.

Chair McCausland called the meeting to order and asked for the Pledge to the Flag.

Councilors Present: Chair Stephen McCausland, Michael Feldman, Robert Galloupe, Leon Laffely, Clement Wilson, Ervin Snyder, and David Gleason (*Eleanor Swanson arrived later).

Others Present: Donald Gerrish, Town Manager; Deborah Cabana, Town Clerk; Police Chief Jerry Hinton; Thomas Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Geoff Hole, Town Attorney; Jim Ashe, Superintendent of Schools; Alan Houston, Natural Resources Planner; State Representative Reginald Pinkham; several citizens, members of the press and Casco Cable TV.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Laffely seconded, to approve the Council minutes of September 22, 1997 as distributed. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas.

Correspondence: Manager Gerrish reported that he had received a letter of resignation from Tom Weddle who served on the Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee. A letter of appreciation will be sent to Mr. Weddle and the position will be advertised.

Manager's Report:

- 1. Budget Update** - Manager Gerrish stated that the budget is in good shape. Expenditures and Revenues are as anticipated.
- 2. Residential Household Hazardous Waste Collection** - Adam Ogden provided information concerning the October 25th collection day activities and process.
- 3. Cable TV -FCC Rate Order** - Manager Gerrish informed the Council that Topsham, Bath, and Brunswick appealed the rate increase which the Cable Company asked for in 1993. The FCC ruled recently that the rates were unreasonable for the period of September 1, 1993 through September 30, 1994 by \$.71 and from October 1, 1994 to the present by \$.58. Casco Cable has indicated that they intend to appeal this decision.
- 4. Representative Pinkham** stated that he and Representative Bodwell, along with Senator Harriman would be conducting a meeting on October 9th at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Meeting Facility. They are soliciting input from citizens on various issues, including what to do with the State of Maine surplus.

Adjustments to the Agenda: NONE

- 194. The Town Council will hear public comments on the proposed amendments to the Parking Ordinance relative to “no parking areas” as it relates to Basswood Road (in the Wildwood Subdivision).**

This is the public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Town Parking Ordinance as it relates to Basswood Road in the Wildwood Subdivision. It is being recommended by the Police Department that there be no parking on Basswood Road, west side, commencing at Wildwood Drive and extending southerly to Aspen Drive. A copy of the amendment will be attached to the official minutes.

The Public Hearing opened at 8:02 p.m. The Public Hearing closed at 8:02 p.m.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Gleason seconded, to approve the amendment to the Town Parking Ordinance as recommended. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas.

- 195. The Town Council will consider accepting financial donations to the School Department. (Manager)**

This item is on the agenda at the request of the School Department. They have received a \$10,000 donation from the Brunswick Athletic Boosters to be used on the athletic fields; \$500 donation from Puffin Stop for Coffin School assemblies and field trips; and a \$1,000 donation from VP 11 for Hawthorne School library work. The Council needs to accept these donations.

Councilor Snyder moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to accept with appreciation on behalf of the School Department, \$10,000 from the Brunswick Athletic Boosters to be used for athletic fields, \$500 from Puffin Stop to be used at Coffin School for assemblies and field trips, and \$1,000 from VP 11 to be used for Hawthorne School library work. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas.

* Councilor Swanson arrived.

- 196. The Town Council will consider accepting up to \$14,000 from the Department of Conservation and up to \$15,000 from Central Maine Power Company for the Mill Street Portage Project. (Manager)**

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Galloupe seconded, to accept up to \$14,000 from the Department of Conservation and up to \$15,000 from Central Maine Power Company for the Mill Street Portage Project. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 197. The Town Council will consider scheduling a public hearing to amend Chapter 10, Article 2, Section 10-26(13) pertaining to Junkyards and Automobile Graveyards. (Manager)**

Town Attorney Geoff Hole has recommended a change in the Junkyard and Automobile Graveyard Ordinance. Mr. Hole stated that only state laws have been incorporated into our own ordinance. Most towns are beginning to exercise their home rule powers. He also stated that the proposed ordinance is more comprehensive than the current one in relation to recycling businesses.

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Snyder seconded, to schedule a public hearing for October 20, 1997 to consider amending the Licensing Ordinance, Chapter 10, Article 2, Section 10-26(13) Junkyard and Automobile Graveyards. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

198. The Town Council will consider approving the application for Pole Location for the Dead River Project on the Bath Road. (Manager)

This is an application from CMP for 2 new poles to be located on the Bath Road at the Dead River project site, as well as the relocation of two existing poles, to accommodate the proposed road improvements to create a center left turn lane into the site. The Town Engineer has reviewed the application and has no objections to the Council's approval of the request.

Councilor Gleason moved, Councilor Laffely seconded, to approve the Pole Location application from CMP in association with the Dead River Project on Bath Road. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

199. The Town Council will consider confirming the recommendation from Casco Cable TV to appoint Greg Quinlan as the new Cable TV representative to the Town's Cable TV Committee. (Manager)

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to confirm the appointment of Greg Quinlan to the Town's Cable TV Committee. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

200. The Town Council will consider confirming the recommendation from the Planning Board to appoint Ed Laine as their representative on the Zoning Ordinance Development Task Force. (Manager)

Councilor Snyder moved, Councilor Feldman seconded, to confirm the appointment of Ed Laine as the Planning Board representative to the Zoning Ordinance Development Task Force. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

201. The Town Council will consider making appointments to the following boards and committees:

Cable TV Committee:

2 Full (citizen) members, three year terms to expire 09/06/00

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Snyder seconded, to appoint Peter Schwindt to the Cable TV Committee citizen member, for a three year term to expire 09/06/00. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Village Review Board:

1 Full member, Pejepsco Historical Society category, three year term to expire 10/20/00

1 Full member, Builder category, three year term to expire 10/20/00

2 Assoc. members, one year terms to expire 10/20/98

Councilor Gleason moved, Councilor Snyder seconded, to appoint W. Bruce MacKenzie to the Village Review Board as the "Pejepsco Historical Society" member for a three year term to expire 10/20/00, to appoint David Bunge to the Village Review Board as the "Builder" member for a three year term to expire 10/20/00, and to appoint E. Anne Carton to the Village Review Board as an "Associate" member for a one (1) year term to expire 10/20/98. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Chair McCausland noted that the opening of the Brunswick-Topsham Bridge has been changed to November 11, 1997 (Veteran's Day) at 1:00 p.m. Governor King and former transportation commissioner Dana Connors are confirmed speakers at this event.

Councilor Laffely moved, Councilor Feldman seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE NOT VERBATIM. A TAPE RECORDING OF THE MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

Deborah S. Cabana
Town Clerk
May 19, 2011

Date of approval

Council Chair