

BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
February 2, 1998 7:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL MEETING ROOM
OLD BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL
6:35 P.M.

Councilor Gleason moved, Councilor Moll seconded, that the Town Council enter Executive Session to discuss litigation. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

8:05 P.M.

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

Councilors Present: Chair McCausland, Michael Feldman, Eleanor Swanson, Robert Galloupe, Timothy Dotts, Clement Wilson, Faith Moll, Ervin Snyder, and David Gleason.

Others Present: Donald Gerrish, Town Manager; Deborah Cabana, Town Clerk; Alan Houston, Natural Resources Planner; Jerry Hinton, Police Chief; William Collins, Shellfish Warden; several citizens, members of the press and Casco Cable TV.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Councilor Dotts moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Council minutes of January 20, 1998 as distributed. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Correspondence: Councilor Wilson announced that copies of a leaflet were available pertaining to reducing property taxes.

Manager's Report:

- 1) **Mid Coast Council of Business Development Presentation.** Greg Mitchell, Director of MCBBD gave an update of the organization's activities. He explained that they are a regional partnership among Bath, Brunswick, and Topsham, both public and private sector. Their focus is economic development. A copy of his presentation will be attached to the official minutes.
- 2) **Zoning Ordinance Amendment referral to Planning Board.** Manager Gerrish explained that a memo had been prepared by the Planning and Development Department explaining a proposed amendment as it relates to the Flight Path Zone. The Council was in favor of authorizing the Planning Board to review this request and return to the Council with their recommendations.

Requests for any zoning change must first be reviewed by the Council, that is returned to the Planning Board for their review and recommendations. There was discussion that the first consideration by the Council is unnecessary as the Council usually "rubber stamps" the request and automatically sends it back to the Planning Board. It might be more sensible to have the Planning Board review the zoning change initially, make their recommendations, and then request the Council to act upon the request.

- 3) **Council 1998 Goals and Objectives.** Manager Gerrish has received suggestions for Goals and Objectives from a couple of Councilors. Chair McCausland and Vice Chair Moll would like to schedule this for discussion at the February 17th meeting in order to give Councilors more time to submit suggestions.

- 4) **Request for the School Board to meet with Council regarding the up-coming budget.** This would be a presentation workshop. The date has been tentatively set to be Monday, February 23rd. The School Board will confirm this meeting at their regular meeting on February 11.
- 5) **Report from Executive Session.** Chair McCausland informed the public that during executive session, there was discussion regarding the litigation of the Harpswell/Brunswick boundary line. The Town of Brunswick has decided to enter into mediation in an attempt to resolving the dispute between the two communities.

Adjustments to the Agenda: NONE

14. The Town Council will hear public comments on the proposed amendment to the No-Parking Ordinance relative to McKeen Street.

This item is a public hearing for the proposed amendment to the No-Parking Ordinance as it pertains to McKeen Street. Presently, there is no parking on the south side of McKeen Street from Maine Street, westerly 200 feet. The home/property owners have requested that no parking be extended by 322 feet, for a total of 522 feet. A copy of the ordinance amendment will be attached to the official minutes.

The Public Hearing opened at 8:28 p.m. The Public Hearing closed at 8:28 p.m.

Councilor Snyder moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the proposed amendment to the No-Parking Ordinance as advertised. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

15. The Town Council hear public comments on the proposed Thomas Point Bay Closure for the purposes of resource conservation.

This item is a public hearing on the proposed Thomas Point Bay closure. This closure is for the purpose of resource conservation and has been recommended by the Marine Resources Committee. A copy of the closure will be attached to the official minutes.

The Public Hearing opened at 8:29 p.m. The Public Hearing closed at 8:29 p.m.

John Lemont, Chair of Marine Resource Committee, explained that the committee and the Department of Marine Resources are both recommending this closure.

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Swanson seconded, to approve the Thomas Point Bay Closure as advertised. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

16. The Town Council will consider approving the wardens and deputy wardens for the February 10, 1998 Referendum Election. (Cabana)

A copy of the list of workers will be attached to the official minutes.

Councilor Gleason moved, Councilor Feldman seconded, to approve the wardens and deputy wardens for the February 10, 1998 Referendum Election. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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17. **The Town Council will consider authorizing the Chair to sign a Letter of Intent for Brunswick to be designated as a PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) as part of the E-911. (Manager)**

Chief Hinton explained that this item is a Letter of Intent (copy attached) which designates Brunswick as a PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) as part of the E-911 project. The next stage of implementation will be a site evaluation to identify any necessary changes required for equipment installation (electrical power and space requirements).

Councilor Snyder moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to authorize the Chair to sign the Letter of Intent designating Brunswick as a PSAP. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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

*Assessment Review Board
1 Full Member, 3 year term to expire 01/12/01*

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Dotts seconded, to appoint Carroll E. Pennell II to the Assessment Review Board as a full member for a three year term to expire 01/12/01. Mr. Pennell was appointed with nine (9) votes.

*Cable Television Committee
1 Cable TV Member, 1 year term to expire 01/01/99
1 Library Member, 1 year term to expire 01/01/99*

Councilor Snyder moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to confirm Greg Quinlan as the Cable TV representative to the Cable TV Committee for a one year term to expire 01/01/99 and to confirm Linda Oliver as the Library representative to the Cable TV Committee for a one year term to expire 01/10/99. They each were confirmed with nine (9) votes.

*Fence Viewer
1 Full Member, balance of 1 year term to expire 04/01/98*

Councilor Feldman moved, Councilor Gleason seconded, to appoint W. Clifford Fisher to the Fence Viewer committee as a full member for the balance of a one (1) year term to expire 04/10/98. Mr. Fisher was appointed with nine (9) votes.

*Growstown School Committee
1 Pejepscot Historical Society Member, 3 year term to expire 01/18/01*

Councilor Moll moved, Councilor Wilson seconded to appoint Brooks Stoddard to the Growstown School Committee as the Pejepscot Historical Society Member for a three year term to expire 01/18/01. Mr. Stoddard was appointed with nine (9) votes.

*Welfare Appeals Board
1 Assoc. Member, 2 year term to expire 01/28/00
3 Full Members, 2 year terms to expire 01/28/00*

Councilor Wilson stated that one of the applicants was his mother and felt it might be a conflict of interest, therefore, he would not be voting.

Councilor Moll moved, Councilor Dotts seconded, to appoint Elizabeth Wilson and Pauline Brilliant to the Welfare Appeals Board as full members for two year terms to expire 01/28/00. Ms. Brilliant and Ms. Wilson were each appointed with eight (8) votes.

Councilor Swanson moved, Councilor Moll seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 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