

**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
AGENDA
FEBRUARY 20, 2001
7:30 P.M.
MUNICIPAL MEETING FACILITY**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Correspondence:

Manager's Report:

- 1) Report on Joint Micro-Loan Program Application made by Brunswick, Bath and Topsham.**
- 2) Report on implementation of Enhanced 911.**
- 3) Discussion of 2001 Council Goals.**
- 4) Update of Upcoming Public Meetings for River Road Improvements and Downtown Master Plan Improvements.**

Adjustments to the Agenda:

- 25. The Town Council will hear public comments on the proposed amendment to Section 13-20 of the Solid Waste Ordinance on Commercial Waste Collection and take any appropriate action. (Manager)**
- 26. The Town Council will receive a report from the Fire Chief concerning increasing fees for Ambulance Calls and take any appropriate action . (Manager)**
- 27. The Town Council will discuss the formation of a committee to assist with planning a train station in Brunswick and take any appropriate action . (Sartoris)**
- 28. The Town Council will consider waiver of tax lien foreclosures and take any appropriate action . (Manager)**
- 29. The Town Council will consider the request of the Friends of the Curtis Memorial Library to hang a banner on Maine Street from June 11 to June 25 and take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

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- 30. The Town Council will consider the recommendation from Cathy Donovan, Tax Assessor for a tax abatement for incorrectly assessing a 1999 tax and take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

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COUNCIL NOTES
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Manager's Report:

- 1) **Micro-Loan Program**- The Town was asked to participate with Bath and Topsham to make a CDBG Application for \$100,000 to be used by the three communities for a revolving loan program. The City of Bath took the lead in the program. The attached memo outlines the proposal and application.
- 2) **Enhanced 911**- Chief Hinton will be at the meeting to explain the Enhanced 911 program that will start in February in Brunswick.
- 3) **Council Goals 2001**- I have attached the Council Goals for 2000 for your review. We need to adopt our goals for 2001. I would ask that each Councilor let me know your individual items to be considered by February 28 and then I will bring to your March 5 meeting a consolidated list for your review. We then can finalize the items at that meeting. I would ask that we discuss the 2000 Goals at the March 5 meeting so I can be in attendance for the discussion. This is the same process we used last year.
- 4) John Foster will be present to update the Council on two public meetings we are holding. The first is a meeting to discuss proposed improvements to the "S" Curves on River Road and the second is a meeting to discuss the upcoming work on the Mall and Downtown sidewalks which is part of Down Town Master Plan Program.

AGENDA ITEMS:

25. This item will limit the time commercial waste collection can take place in Brunswick. The proposal is to limit the time from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Representatives from Public Works will be at the meeting to discuss the proposal with the Council.
26. This item will discuss the raising of our ambulance fees. We discussed this with the Council during Budget last year. Chief Howard has prepared examples and recommendations in the attached memo. He will be present to discuss the item with the Council. I would recommend that after discussion the council place the item on the March 5 agenda for action. This will allow the public to have an opportunity to speak on this issue if they decide to.
27. Councilor Sartoris has requested that this item be placed on the agenda.
28. This item would authorize the Town Manager and staff not to foreclose on the property that we feel would not benefit the Town. This is allowed by State Law and protects the Town from acquiring property through the Tax Lien process that has the potential of costing the Town more than the value of the property. The main area of concern is mobile homes. Council approved this process last year and we did not foreclose on a few properties.
30. The attached memo from Cathy Donovan, Tax Assessor, outlines the request and the reason behind it. I would recommend approving the abatement.

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS
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- 25.** Move to add the following amendment to Section 13-20 of the Solid Waste Ordinance on Commercial Waste Collection.

- 26.** Move to place the item to increase ambulance fees on the March 5 agenda for action by the Council.

- 27.** No motion.

- 28.** Move to authorize the waiver of any tax lien foreclosures on any property not in the best interest of the Town to own.

- 29.** Move to approve the banner for the Friends of the Curtis Memorial Library.

- 30.** Move to approve the abatement for the incorrectly assessed 1999 tax as recommended by the Town Assessor.