

**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
JANUARY 2, 2001 7:00 P.M.  
MUNICIPAL MEETING ROOM**

**7:00 p.m. Posting of Colors:** Brunswick Police Department Honor Guard – Lt. Marc Arnold, Officer Mark LaFountain, Officer Steven Cribby, and Officer William Collins.

Manager Donald Gerrish called the meeting to order and asked James Ashe, Superintendent of Schools, to lead the audience in the pledge to the flag.

**Councilors Present:** Stephen McCausland, Michael Feldman, Jacqueline Sartoris, Robert Galloupe, Timothy Dotts, Charles Priest, Faith Moll, Forrest Lowe and David Gleason.

**School Board Members Present:** P. Dennis Lucas, Jr., Dugan C. Slovenski, Eileen Murphy, Corinne Perreault, William Dana, Barbara Swisher, Rebecca Shepherd and Allen Springer.

**Others Present:** Donald Gerrish, Town Manager; Melissa L. Smith, Acting Town Clerk; Jerry Hinton, Police Chief; Cathleen Donovan, Assessor; Theo Holtwijk, Director of Planning and Development; Geoffrey Hole, Town Attorney; Commander Robert Annese, Police Department; Gary Howard, Fire Chief; Clark Labbe, Deputy Fire Chief; Elin Gould, Deputy Town Clerk; Barbara Pecci, Assistant Town Clerk; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; citizens, members of the press and TV Video Crew.

**Invocation:** The Reverend Susan Hoffman offered the invocation.

**Councilors-Elect Sworn to Office:** Melissa L. Smith, Acting Town Clerk, lead the oath for the following Town Councilors: Stephen H. McCausland, Jacqueline A. Sartoris, Charles R. Priest, and Forrest Lowe.

**School Board Members-Elect Sworn to Office:** Melissa L. Smith, Acting Town Clerk, lead the oath for the following School Board Members: Rebecca A. Shepherd, Eileen B. Murphy, Corinne A. Perreault, and William J. Dana.

**Entertainment** – Three third grade classes at Longfellow School sang three special songs, which they learned as part of their studies on being good citizens of the community, the country, and the world. “The Brunswick Song” was composed by last year’s third grade class, with revisions by the current year’s students. The singers’ final song was dedicated to the memory of Carole Stachowiak, a beloved Brunswick elementary school teacher who passed away recently. *A copy of the songs will be attached to the official minutes.* The following singers are students from Ms. Claudia Searles, Mr. Doug DeCamilla and Ms. Holly Greene’s third grade classes: Joe Balzanelli, David Caputi, Miles Carey-Snow, Robert Cleaves, Kennell Crawford, Brittany Dutton, Jack Faherty, Andrew Fields, Hannah Glavin, Chelsea Hewitt, Anna Holmblad, Jasper Lowe, Monica Martinez, Christian Schneider, Cody Smith, Paige Snyder, Alex Ward, Jonathan Back, Evan Boucher, Stephen Carter, Christina Damon, Ellis Davis, Lauren Fiano, Conor Kelly, Joseph Messerman, Leila Mills, Rhiannon Palmer, Mark Richter, Sam Stauff, Meghan Stilphen, Ripley Swan, Abigail Theberge, Thomas Wakely, Emily Weddle, Jessica Brown, Lauren Dickey, Alana Duncan, Annelise Hansen, Christine Harber, Jacquelyn Kelly, Jon Lucas, Nicole Moody, Nick Morin, Deep Patel, Whitney Salvail, Colby Savastano, Sarah Tims, Simon Tracy, Sam Turner, Kylie Wild, and John Williams.

**Benediction:** The Reverend Susan Hoffman offered the benediction.

The School Board members adjourned to the conference room to conduct their organizational meeting.

**Election of Council Chair:**

Councilor Galloupe nominated Councilor McCausland as the Council Chair.

**Councilor Galloupe moved, Councilor Gleason seconded, that nominations cease. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas. Councilor McCausland was appointed as Council Chair with nine (9) votes.**

**Election of Council Vice-Chair:**

Councilor Moll nominated Councilor Lowe as the Council Vice-Chair.

**Councilor Moll moved, Chair McCausland seconded, that nomination cease. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas. Councilor Lowe was appointed as the Council Vice-Chair with nine (9) votes.**

Chair McCausland opened the meeting by noting some challenges for the coming year. There is a slow down in the economy that may affect the budget for the coming fiscal year. Some of the issues the Council will be facing are the future of the Old Brunswick High School, future of Hawthorne School, development at Cook's Corner, downtown parking, and open space.

State Representative John Richardson and former State Senator Phil Harriman were present at the ceremony and offered their best wishes to the Town Council and School Board.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting: December 18, 2000**

**Councilor Gleason moved, Councilor Dotts seconded, to approve the minutes of December 18, 2000. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas and two (2) abstentions, Councilors Sartoris and Priest.**

**Correspondence:** The Town Manager received a letter from the Pejepscot Historical Society stating that they will be have an exhibition entitled "SEW what? Making Sense of Making Things". They have asked permission to use the Town's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt as part of this exhibition. The Society would have the quilt for a year. Manager Gerrish stated that since there were no objections from the Council, he would approve the request.

**Manager's Report:** None

**Adjustments to Agenda:** None

1. The Town Council will appoint the Town Attorney.

**Councilor Moll moved, Councilor Lowe seconded, to appoint the firm of Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer, and Nelson - primary representative, Attorney Geoffrey Hole. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

2. The Town Council will appoint Council Representatives to the following:

These are annual appointments of Council representatives to various Town committees.

- a. Appointments Subcommittee (3 Councilors)

**Councilor Dotts moved, Councilor Galloupe seconded, to reappoint Councilors Feldman and Dotts and appoint Councilor Sartoris to the Appointments Subcommittee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

b. Brunswick Development Corporation

The Chair of the Council is the Brunswick Development Corporation representative.

c. Brunswick Resource Corporation

Councilor Lowe moved, Councilor Dotts seconded, to reappoint Councilor Gleason to the Brunswick Resource Corporation. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

d. Cable Television Committee

Councilor Moll moved, Chair McCausland seconded, to appoint Councilor Priest to the Cable Television Committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

e. Growstown School Committee

Councilor Dotts moved, Councilor McCausland seconded, to reappoint Councilor Galloupe to the Growstown School Committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

f. Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee

Councilor Galloupe moved, Councilor Feldman seconded, to appoint Councilor Sartoris to the Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

g. Trust Investment Advisory Committee

Councilor Moll moved, Councilor Gleason seconded, to reappoint Councilor Dotts to the Trust Investment Advisory Committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

h. Mid Coast Business Development and Planning

Councilor Dotts moved, Chair McCausland seconded, to appoint Councilors Feldman, Galloupe, Priest, Lowe, and Gleason to Mid Coast Business Development and Planning . The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

i. Union Negotiations

Councilor Dotts moved, Chair McCausland seconded, to appoint Councilors Feldman, Galloupe, Moll, and Lowe for Union Negotiations. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Councilor Moll requested the Police Union Negotiations. Councilors Feldman, Galloupe and Lowe will decide who will be appointed for the Public Works, Communications, and AFSCME Union Negotiations.

**3. The Town Council will set the meeting dates for the second Council meeting in January, February, and April, and the first Council meeting of September.**

January 15<sup>th</sup> is Martin Luther King Day (Council to meet on Tuesday, January 16, 2001);  
February 19<sup>th</sup> is President's Day (Council to meet on Tuesday, February 20, 2001);  
April 16<sup>th</sup> is Patriot's Day (Council to meet on Tuesday, April 17, 2001);  
September 3<sup>rd</sup> is Labor Day (Council to meet on Tuesday, September 4, 2001)

Councilor Dotts moved, Councilor Galloupe seconded, to approve the meeting dates suggested for the second Council meeting in January, February, and April, and the first Council meeting of September 2001. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

The School Board members concluded their first business meeting of the year by re-electing **P. Dennis Lucas, Jr. as Chair** and **Allen L. Springer as Vice Chair** of the School Board.

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A reception celebrating the Oath of Office Ceremony followed the meeting. Maine Vocational Region Ten Food Trades Class of Richard Moseley prepared refreshments. The students who participated were Christina Walker, Daniel Mooney, Kyle Enman, and Sherwin MacKenzie.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 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.*

Melissa L. Smith  
Acting Town Clerk  
January 4, 2001

January 16, 2001

Date of approval

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Council Chair