

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
Special Meeting
January 13, 2014
7:00 P.M.
Hawthorne Meeting Room
Hawthorne School
46 Federal Street

Councilors Present: Chair Benet Pols, W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Suzan Wilson, John M. Perreault, Gerald E. Favreau, Jane F. Millett, and Sarah E. Brayman, and John Richardson, Jr.

Councilors Absent: None

Town Staff Present: Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager

Chair Pols called the meeting to order and asked the Town Clerk for Roll Call.

Executive session – Discussion regarding the appointment of the Town Attorney per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A)

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to go into executive session to discuss the appointment of the Town Attorney per 1 M.R.S.A §405(6)(A). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Councilor Richardson moved, Councilor Brayman seconded, to come out of executive session. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

The meeting resumed at 7:45 p.m.

New Business

- 3. The Town council will discuss the appointment of the Town Attorney, and will take any appropriate action. (Chair Pols)**

Chair Pols spoke regarding this item and the process of selecting the Town Attorney. He and Councilor Richardson supported nominating the firm of PretiFlaherty.

Stephen Langsdorf, Attorney at PretiFlaherty, spoke about his reprimand by the Overseer of the Maine State Bar Association and responded to questions from Chair Pols. He also responded to questions regarding the firm from Councilor Wilson, Councilor Perreault, and Councilor Millett.

Councilor Watson and Councilor Favreau spoke regarding this item.

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Councilor Perreault inquired about abstaining from the vote since he has done work for Pat Scully of Bernstein Shur. The Council Chair determined since the vote was not for Bernstein Shur at this time, Councilor Perreault would be able to vote on PretiFlaherty.

Councilor Brayman moved, Councilor Richardson seconded, to appoint Stephen Langsdorf of PretiFlaherty to be the Town Attorney for 2014.

Councilor Wilson and Councilor Millett spoke following the motion. Councilor Richardson responded to Councilor Millett's questions.

Councilor Brayman moved, Councilor Richardson seconded, to appoint Stephen Langsdorf of PretiFlaherty to be the Town Attorney for 2014. The motion carried with five (5) yeas. Councilor Watson, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Perreault, and Councilor Millett were opposed.

Councilor Richardson moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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*Frances Smith
Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager
January 15, 2014*

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Council Chair