

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
February 24, 2014
Council Chamber
Town Hall
85 Union Street

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

Councilors Absent: None

Town Staff Present: John Eldridge, Finance Director/Interim Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Dan Devereaux, Marine Warden; Mark Waltz, Police Captain; Steve Langsdorf, Town Attorney; and TV video crew

Chair Pols called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and asked the Clerk for Roll Call.

Public Comment:

None

Correspondence:

Councilor Favreau stated appointments to the Town boards will take place at the March 10th meeting.

Councilor Perreault spoke regarding legislation on virtual schooling and said if the Brunswick schools need to include funds for this, it could be counterproductive to the School Budget. The Town needs to monitor this legislation.

Councilor Wilson thanked the Public Art Group for coming to the last meeting.

Councilor Millett said she had a constituent who was upset about the train idling and she will continue to contact Pat Quinn of NNEPRA about this concern.

Council Committee Updates

Reports were given on the following committees: Brunswick Development Corporation, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and the Town Manager's Search Subcommittee.

Adjustments to the Agenda:None

MANAGER'S REPORT:

(a) Financial Update

Mr. Eldridge provided this update, and responded to questions from Chair Pols.

(b) Update on Brunswick Marine Resources, including commercial shellfish license allocation

Officer Devereaux spoke regarding this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Richardson, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Perreault.

(A copy of Officer Devereaux' memo will be attached to the official minutes.)

(c) Acceptance of Byrne Memorial Grant to replace six cruiser radios *(Action required)*

Mr. Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to accept and expend the Byrne Memorial grant in the amount of \$7,119.00 to replace six mobile radios and their antennas. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of a memo from Captain Waltz will be attached to the official minutes.)

(d) Update on the sale of 28 and 30 Federal Street and authorization to extend sale date *(Action required)*

Mr. Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Richardson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to authorize the Town Manager to sign Amendment No. 1 to the Contract for the Sale of Commercial Real Estate that would extend the closing between BDC and the Town on the properties at 28 and 30 Federal Street.

Mr. Eldridge responded to questions from Councilor Millett. Councilor Millett also spoke on this item.

Councilor Perreault asked a question, to which Mr. Eldridge and Councilor Brayman responded.

Councilor Richardson, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Millett, and Chair Pols spoke regarding this item.

VOTE ON MOTION

Councilor Richardson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to authorize the Town Manager to sign Amendment No. 1 to the Contract for the Sale of Commercial Real Estate that would extend the closing between BDC and the Town on the properties at 28 and 30 Federal Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Millett was opposed.

(A copy of the amendment will be attached to the official minutes.)

(e) Update on the Municipal Budget

Mr. Eldridge provided this update and responded to questions from Chair Pols, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Perreault, and Councilor Brayman.

(f) Report on Standard & Poor's Rating Services

Mr. Eldridge spoke regarding this item and responded to questions from Chair Pols and Councilor Wilson.

NEW BUSINESS

- 16. The Town Council will hear comments from the Parks and Recreation Director and a report from a representative of the Maine Forest Service regarding a proposed prescribed burn of one half of the 66 acre Captain William Fitzgerald Recreation and Conservation Area located off the Old Bath Road in East Brunswick, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)**

Mr. Farrell made this presentation.

Councilor Watson asked questions, to which Mr. Farrell and Chief Brilliant responded.

Councilor Walker spoke and asked questions, to which Mr. Farrell responded.

Councilor Favreau moved, Councilor Perreault seconded, to approve the prescribed burn plan for the Captain William Fitzgerald Recreation and Conservation Area to occur in the spring of 2014. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the prescribed burn plan will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 17. The Town Council will consider adopting the Harbor Management Plan, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Walker and Councilor Wilson)**

Councilor Wilson spoke regarding this item.

Officer Devereaux spoke regarding this item.

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Daniel Bannon, Baker Designs Project Manager, made a presentation summarizing the Plan.

Councilor Wilson and Councilor Walker spoke further on this report with a suggestion for a Commission.

FIRST MOTION

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt the Town of Brunswick Harbor Management Plan; and to create the River and Coastal Waters Commission as an advisory committee to the Town Council, with the attached membership.

Councilor Brayman spoke regarding this item and asked questions, to which Councilor Wilson and Councilor Walker responded.

Councilor Watson asked a question, to which Councilor Walker responded.

Councilor Richardson spoke regarding this item.

Joe Caruso, 94 Collinsbrook Road, spoke regarding this item.

The original motion was withdrawn.

SECOND MOTION:

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt the Harbor Management Plan. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the adopted Harbor Management Plan will be attached to the official minutes.)

18. The Town Council will hear an update on the Municipal Building project, and will determine if any future action is needed. (Manager)

Mr. Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Alex Anesko, 309 Maine Street, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Pols, Councilor Millett, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Walker, Councilor Brayman, Councilor Richardson, and Councilor Wilson spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Brayman, Councilor Richardson, Councilor Walker, and Chair Pols asked questions, to which Mr. Eldridge responded.

Councilor Watson asked a question, to which Chair Pols responded.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Approval of the Minutes of February 3, 2014**
- b) **Approval of the Minutes of February 10, 2014**

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c) **Approval of Quitclaim Deed for Map 025 Lot 005 Sub 000 Typ 018**

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Brayman seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the quit claim for CA-c will be attached to the official minutes.)

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE ACTION MINUTES. THE ENTIRE MEETING CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.BRUNSWICKME.ORG.

*Frances Smith
Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager
February 28, 2014*

March 10, 2014
Date of Approval

Council Chair