

**Approved**  
**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes**  
**July 20, 2015**  
**6:30 P.M. – Executive Session**  
**7:00 P.M. – Regular Meeting**  
**Council Chambers**  
**Town Hall**  
**85 Union Street**

**Councilors Present:** W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Suzan Wilson, John M. Perreault, Daniel E. Harris, Jane F. Millett, Sarah E. Brayman, Katherine E. Wilson, and John Richardson Jr.

**Councilors Absent:** None

**Town Staff Present:** John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager; Steve Langsdorf, Town Attorney; Linda Smith, Business Development Manager; Anna Breinich, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell; Parks and Recreation Director; Peter Baecher, Parks and Recreation Facilities Manager; Mark Waltz, Police Commander; Terry Goan, Police Officer; and TV video crew

Chair Brayman called the meeting to order, asked the Clerk for roll call, and acknowledged that the meeting was properly noticed.

**Executive Session: Labor Negotiations [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D)]**

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to go into executive session to discuss labor negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**Meeting Resumes:**

Chair Brayman resumed the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Adjustments to Agenda**

To move Item 81 before Item 80.

**CONSENT AGENDA** *(This item was discussed at 7:05 p.m.)*

- a) **Approval of the minutes of July 6, 2015**
- b) **Abatement of personal property taxes that were assessed in error**
- c) **Approval of Games of Chance for the Brunswick Knights of Columbus Council, #5008, 2 Columbus Drive**
- d) **MMA Annual Election of Vice President and Executive Board**

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

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**Public Comments** *(This item was discussed at 7:06 p.m.)*

**Barbara Fisco**, 2 Lincoln Street, spoke of the lack of birds on the green due to pesticide use. She did not support licensing cats.

**Richard Fisco**, 2 Lincoln Street, said he liked the new Chamber lighting. He spoke on the need to maintain town buildings, especially schools. He would like to see a maintenance committee. He also spoke regarding the high percentage of people in jail in this country, and would like further discussions with the Police and Council on this subject.

**Joe Ciarroca**, 532 Harpswell Road, asked that agenda items be better explained prior to being discussed.

**Correspondence** *(This item was discussed at 7:16 p.m.)*

Chair Brayman spoke regarding the Peace Fair that will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Councilor Perreault received correspondence regarding parking on Elm Street in front of Maine State Music Theater. He said this is public parking and the theater should not be able to put out cones to block off spots.

**Committee Reports** *(This item was discussed at 7:19 p.m.)*

Reports were given on the Social Services Committee and the Finance Committee.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**(a) Report on the creation of the Mid Coast – Parkview Health System** *(This item was discussed at 7:23 p.m.)*

**Lois Skillings**, President and CEO of MidCoast, and **Randee Reynolds**, President and CEO of Parkview, provided this report. They responded to questions from Councilor Millett, Councilor Harris, Councilor Watson, and Chair Brayman.

Councilor Richardson and Councilor K. Wilson spoke regarding this item and thanked the two for their work on this vision.

**(b) Financial update** *(This item was discussed at 7:45 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provided this update and responded to questions from Councilor Harris.

**(c) Nomination papers availability** *(This item was discussed at 7:48 p.m.)*

Fran Smith, Town Clerk/Assistant to the Town Manager, provided information for this item.

**(d) Update on Zoning Ordinance Rewrite** *(This item was discussed at 7:53 p.m.)*

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Manager Eldridge provided this update.

- (e) Report on the process to name the Kate Furbish Preserve trails** *(This item was discussed at 7:54 p.m.)*

**Bridger Tomlin**, Bowdoin Fellow, provided this report. He responded to questions from Chair Brayman, Councilor Millett, and Councilor Walker.

*(A copy of Mr. Tomlin's information will be attached to the official minutes.)*

- (f) Update on upcoming roadwork on Nancy Drive, Patricia Road, and Pierce Lane** *(This item was discussed at 8:02 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provided this update.

*(A copy of a memo from Manager Eldridge and the bid results will be attached to the official minutes.)*

- (g) Update on Pine Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Access to Brunswick Landing** *(This item was discussed at 8:05 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provided this update, and responded to questions from Councilor K. Wilson.

*(A copy of a memo from Manager Eldridge, providing additional information on the schedule and funding, will be attached to the official minutes.)*

- (h) Reminder of the public meeting regarding downtown Brunswick's consideration for a Commercial Historic District nomination by the Maine Historic Preservation Commission** *(This item was discussed at 8:07 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provided information that downtown Brunswick is not being considered at this meeting for this nomination.

**Debora King**, Executive Director of BDA, spoke regarding this item.

- (i) (ADD) Receipt of grant for Mare Brook project.**

Manager Eldridge provided information on this item.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Item 81 was taken up prior to Item 80

80. **The Town Council will hear public comments on amendments to Chapter 15 “Traffic and Vehicles” of the Municipal Code regarding restriction of overnight parking in municipal lots on Union Street, and other miscellaneous parking changes, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager) (This item was discussed at 8:42 p.m.)**

Chair Brayman opened the public hearing.

Commander Mark Waltz spoke regarding this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Harris, Councilor Millett, Councilor Perreault, and Councilor S. Wilson.

The following person spoke regarding this item:

**Patrick Byrnes**, manager of Byrnes Pub

Chair Brayman closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:**

**Councilor Walker moved, Councilor S. Wilson seconded, to adopt amendments to Chapter 15 “Traffic and Vehicles” of the Municipal Code regarding restriction of overnight parking in municipal lots on Union Street, and providing for 30 minute spots at Town Hall during business hours, and no parking on sections of Barrows Drive at Coffin School, a section of Federal Street on Railroad Bridge, the corner of McLellan Street and Harpswell Road, the intersection of Storer Road and Old Bath Road, and a section of Page Street.**

Councilor Millett, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Watson, and Councilor K. Wilson spoke regarding the motion.

**VOTE ON MOTION:**

**Councilor Walker moved, Councilor S. Wilson seconded, to adopt amendments to Chapter 15 “Traffic and Vehicles” of the Municipal Code regarding restriction of overnight parking in municipal lots on Union Street, and providing for 30 minute spots at Town Hall during business hours, and no parking on sections of Barrows Drive at Coffin School, a section of Federal Street on Railroad Bridge, the corner of McLellan Street and Harpswell Road, the intersection of Storer Road and Old Bath Road, and a section of Page Street. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of the adopted amendments will be attached to the official minutes.)*

81. **The Town Council will hear public comments on amendments to Chapter 10 “Licenses and Business Regulations” of the Municipal Code regarding sellers of prepared food on a public way to require a 72 inch pedestrian walkway when placing outdoor seating on the sidewalk, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager) (This item was discussed at 8:10 p.m.)**

Chair Brayman opened the public hearing.

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Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Millett, Councilor Walker, Councilor Richardson, and Chair Brayman.

Councilor Perreault spoke regarding this item.

The following persons spoke regarding this item:

**Richard Fisco**, 2 Lincoln Street

**Paul Harrison**, owner of Little Dog Coffee Shop

**Debora King**, Director of BDA

Chair Brayman closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:**

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to adopt amendments to Chapter 10 “Licenses and Business Regulations” of the Municipal Code regarding sellers of prepared food on a public way to require a 60 inch pedestrian walkway when placing outdoor seating on the sidewalk.**

Councilor S. Wilson, Councilor Millett, Chair Brayman, Councilor Perreault, and Councilor K. Wilson spoke regarding this motion.

**VOTE ON MOTION:**

**Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to adopt amendments to Chapter 10 “Licenses and Business Regulations” of the Municipal Code regarding sellers of prepared food on a public way to require a 60 inch pedestrian walkway when placing outdoor seating on the sidewalk. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of the adopted amendments will be attached to the official minutes.)*

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 82. The Town Council will consider adopting the “Solarize Brunswick” program, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Walker and Chair Brayman) (This item was discussed at 9:00 p.m.)**

Councilor Walker introduced this item.

**Alex Anesko**, Recycling and Sustainability Committee, provided this information, and responded to questions from Chair Brayman, Councilor Perreault, Councilor Walker, Councilor Millett, and Councilor K. Wilson.

Chair Brayman opened the floor to public comments and the following people spoke:

**Richard Fisco**, 2 Lincoln Street

**Michael Wilson**, Echo Road and member of Recycling and Sustainability Committee

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Councilor Perreault asked questions, to which Attorney Langsdorf responded.

**Councilor Walker moved, Chair Brayman seconded, to adopt the “Solarize Brunswick” program as outlined by the Recycling and Sustainability Committee, as attached in the packet (and will be attached to the official minutes). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

*(A copy of the information and the PowerPoint presentation will be attached to the official minutes.)*

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

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*Frances M. Smith*

*Town Clerk*

*July 23, 2015*

August 3, 2015

*Date of Approval*

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*Council Chair*