

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
April 4, 2016
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
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, Jane F. Millett, Sarah E. Brayman, Kathy Wilson and Alison Harris

Councilors Absent: Daniel E. Harris

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Derek Scrapchansky, Assistant Town Manager; Steve Langsdorf, Town Attorney; Don Koslosky, Deputy Fire Chief; Jeff Hutchinson, Codes Enforcement Officer; and TV video crew

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

Executive Session: [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D)] Union Negotiations and [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E)] Consultation with Legal Counsel

Chair Brayman moved, Councilor K. Wilson seconded, to go into executive session to discuss Union Negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) and for a consultation with legal counsel per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E). The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Meeting Resumes

The meeting resumed at 7:00 p.m. and Chair Brayman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to Agenda

Add Manager's Report item d – update on School facilities

CONSENT AGENDA *(This item was discussed at 7:02 p.m.)*

- a) **Approval of the minutes of March 21, 2016**
- b) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for the mobile home on land depicted as Map 051 Lot 001 Sub 000 Typ 223**
- c) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for the mobile home on land depicted as Map 041 Lot 011 Sub 000 Typ 006**
- d) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for the mobile home on land depicted as Map 045 Lot 003 Sub 000 Typ 276**
- e) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for the mobile home on land depicted as Map 045 Lot 003 Sub 000 Typ 200**
- f) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for the mobile home on land depicted as Map 025 Lot 016 Sub 000 Typ 058**

- g) **Approval of a Quitclaim Deed for the mobile home on land depicted as Map 051 Lot 001 Sub 000 Typ 346**
- h) **Accept and expend 2016 Distracted Driving High Visibility Enforcement Grant**
- i) **Accept and expend 2016 High Visibility Enforcement Campaign Seat Belt Enforcement Grant:**
- j) **Permission to apply for, and, if received, expend a MMA Safety Enhancement Grant to assist with the purchase of turnout gear for the Fire Department**
- k) **Permission to apply for, and, if received, expend a MMA Safety Enhancement Grant for a security mechanism for the 2nd floor of Town Hall**
- l) **Adoption of a “Resolution Recognizing National Service Recognition Day” (returning from March 21, 2016 meeting)**

Chair Brayman moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda Items CA-a through CA-g and CA-j and CA-k. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Chair Brayman requested Item CA-l be removed so it could be read and voted on separately.

Councilor Perreault requested CA-h and CA-i be removed since his wife works for the department providing the grant.

Councilor Millett moved, Councilor S. Wilson seconded, to approve item CA-h. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Perreault abstained.

Chair Brayman moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to approve item CA-i. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Perreault abstained.

Chair Brayman read the Resolution for Item CA-l.

John Portela, 60 Columbia Avenue and Chair Elect of the Maine Commission on Community Services, spoke regarding this item.

Emma LeBlanc, Mid Coast Hunger Prevention and AmeriCorps member, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Brayman moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to adopt CA-l “Resolution Recognizing National Service Recognition Day.” The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of supporting materials for Item CA-b through CA-l will be attached to the official minutes.)

Public Comments *(This item was discussed at 7:13 p.m.)*

Richard Fisco, 2 Lincoln Street, discussed a chart he provided regarding the cost of living increases vs property tax increases and how the tax percentages are increasing more than the cost of living increases.

Craig Zurhorst, Western Maine Transportation Services, Inc, introduced himself and indicated they will be taking over the Brunswick Explorer Bus on April 22nd. He responded to questions from Councilor Millett.

Jonathan Crimmins, 86 Jordan Avenue, spoke regarding the Miller Point development. (He spoke at this time as he needed to leave and could not wait until the item came up in the agenda.)

Correspondence (*This item was discussed at 7:20 p.m.*)

Councilor A. Harris said she received a call from a constituent supporting the new school on the Jordan Acres school site, but wanted to make sure there would be a community room included. Councilor Harris also said she attended the NNEPRA meeting and they indicated that the layover facility is on schedule for September. They will also start a third trip midday in November once the railroad ties are fixed between Wells and Portland.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (*This item was discussed at 7:23 p.m.*)

- **Finance Committee**
- **Master Plan Implementation Committee**
- **Recycling and Sustainability Committee**
- **Rivers and Coastal Waters Commission**

Reports were given on the above Committees.

MANAGER'S REPORT

a) Project Tracking Report (*This item was discussed at 7:39 p.m.*)

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

Councilor S. Wilson, Chair Brayman, Councilor A. Harris, Councilor Millett, and Councilor Walker spoke regarding this item.

b) Budget meeting schedule (*This item was discussed at 7:49 p.m.*)

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item and responded to questions from Councilor Perreault.

c) Special Permit for U-Haul Moving and Storage (*This item was discussed at 7:53 p.m.*)

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item and responded to questions from Councilor Perreault.

(A copy of a Planning Department memo and the Special Permit are included in your packet.)

d) ADDED update on school facilities (*This item was discussed at 7:31 p.m.*)

William Thompson, Chair of the School Board, provided this update and responded to questions from Chair Brayman, Councilor S. Wilson, Councilor Millett, and Councilor Perreault.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 39. The Town Council will hear public comments on a renewal special amusement application, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager) (This item was discussed at 7:55 p.m.)**

**Special Amusement
Columbus Club, Inc.
D/B/A: Knights of Columbus, Sekenger Council #1947
2 Columbus Drive**

William Sulzberger, G. K.

Chair Brayman opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke regarding this item and answered questions from Chair Brayman and Councilor Millett.

Chair Brayman closed the public hearing.

Councilor Perreault moved, Chair Brayman seconded, to approve a renewal special amusement application for Knights of Columbus, located at 2 Columbus Drive. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

TABLED ITEM

- 36. The Town Council will consider requesting that the Town Manager direct the Planning Department to require a special use permit review of the Miller Point revetment project, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Walker) (This item was discussed at 7:57 p.m.)**

Councilor Walker introduced this item.

MOTION

Councilor Walker moved, Chair Brayman seconded, to request that the Town Manager and Town Attorney work with the property owners to enter into an agreement to improve the design of the slope and drainage for the project, as may be necessary, subject to verification by a professional engineer with appropriate expertise, taking into account environmental concerns.

Councilor Watson spoke again regarding the motion.

Rob King, 553 Mere Point Road, spoke regarding this motion.

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

Chair Brayman opened the floor for public comments with the following people speaking:

Richard Knox, 81 Simpson's Point Road

Richard Fisco, 2 Lincoln Street

The discussion returned to the Council.

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

VOTE ON MOTION:

Councilor Walker moved, Chair Brayman seconded, to request that the Town Manager and Town Attorney work with the property owners to enter into an agreement to improve the design of the slope and drainage for the project, as may be necessary, subject to verification by a professional engineer with appropriate expertise, taking into account environmental concerns. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

28. **The Town Council will consider adopting a method to tally write-ins for local elections as required under 30-A M.R.S.A. §2501, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager/Town Clerk) (This item was discussed at 8:28 p.m.)**

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Perreault and Councilor A. Harris.

Councilor Millett moved, Councilor S. Wilson seconded, as required under PL 2015, c. 160, to have the Town of Brunswick, for the purpose of tallying write-in votes for municipal election, follow Title 30-A only under the following circumstances:

- (1) The printed ballot does not include a properly nominated candidate for the office; or**
(2) A properly nominated candidate for the office listed on the ballot withdraws from the race before or on Election Day; or
(3) The number of write-in votes for an office as determined by a machine count or initial hand count exceeds the number of votes in that count for a candidate printed on the ballot; or
(4) A person has declared to the Town Clerk in writing no later than the Friday before the Election his/her intention to be a write-in candidate.

The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of a memo from Ms. Smith and the state law will be attached to the official minutes.)

NEW BUSINESS

40. **The Town Council will consider adopting the proposed Social Service Policy, and will take any appropriate action. (Social Service Committee) (This item was discussed at 8:41 p.m.)**

Councilor Perreault introduced this item, and responded to questions from Councilor S. Wilson, Chair Brayman and Councilor K. Wilson.

Councilor Millett, Councilor Walker, Councilor K. Wilson, Councilor A. Harris, Chair Brayman, Councilor S. Wilson, and Councilor Watson spoke regarding this item.

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adopt a social service policy to become effective for the 2017-18 budget year, with an amendment to the proposed language of a cap of \$20,000 annually, instead of just for the first year. The motion carried with six (6) yeas. Councilor S. Wilson and Councilor Millett were opposed.

(A copy of a memo from Manager Eldridge and the adopted policy will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 41. The Town Council will consider appointments to the Town's Boards and Committees, and will take any appropriate action. (Appointments Committee) *(This item was discussed at 9:10 p.m.)***

Councilor K. Wilson made the following nominations:

Village Review Board

Annee Tara – balance of term to expire on 10/20/2017

Fence Viewer

Mark Worthing – full term to expire on 05/01/2019

Rivers and Coastal Waters Commission

Doug Niven – Alternate for a term to expire on 05/01/2019

Bill Good – full member for a term to expire on 05/01/2019

Sue Stableford – full member for a term to expire on 05/01/2019

Sewer District

Thomas Green – full term to expire on 04/01/2019

Earle Harvey – full term to expire on 04/01/2019

The Council supported these nominations with eight (8) yeas.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor A. Harris seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

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Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
April 11, 2016

April 19, 2016
Date of Approval

Council Chair