

**Approved**  
**BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes**  
**October 17, 2016**  
**6:00 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, Kathy Wilson and Alison Harris

**Councilors Absent:** None

**Town Staff Present:** John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Derek Scrapchansky, Assistant Town Manager; Mark Waltz, Police Commander; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation Department; and TV video crew

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

**Executive Session:** [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) Labor negotiations, 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E) Consultation with legal counsel, and 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C) acquisition/disposition of real property]

**Chair Sarah Brayman moved, Councilor Jane Millett seconded, to go into executive session to discuss labor negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D), consultation with legal counsel on rights and duties per [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E), and acquisition/disposition of property per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**Meeting resumed:**

Chair Brayman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Adjustments to Agenda**

There were no adjustments.

**CONSENT AGENDA** *(This item was discussed at 7:04 p.m.)*

**a) Adoption of “Small Business Saturday” Proclamation**

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

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

**Public Comments** *(This item was discussed at 7:05 p.m.)*

**Esther Mechler**, Jewel Street, spoke regarding the upcoming browntail moth follow-up meeting on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at St Paul's Church from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Karen Topp**, Federal Street, spoke regarding the Metro Bus, which will be voted on next month by the Council, and the value of public transportation. Councilor Jane Millett also commented on this.

**Correspondence** *(This item was discussed at 7:11 p.m.)*

Councilor David Watson spoke regarding a "thank-you" card from Girl Scout group #987 for their visit to Town Hall.

Councilor Jane Millett reminded citizens of the youth homeless forum at the Topsham Public Library this Thursday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Councilor Alison Harris reported NNEPRA held their annual meeting last Thursday and Brunswick was well represented. They had their best quarter ever, and there will be an open house from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. this upcoming Saturday for the layover facility. They are in the midst of track repair so there is a different train schedule until Thanksgiving.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** *(This item was discussed at 7:15 p.m.)*

- Teen Center Advisory Committee

Councilor Suzan Wilson spoke regarding this report.

Chair Sarah Brayman appointed Councilor Jane Millett to serve on that Committee after Councilor Suzan Wilson stepped down as the Council representative.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Recognition of Recreation Department**

Councilor David Watson presented Tom Farrell, Parks and Recreation Director, a Maine USA Track and Field Special Presidential Award for the Recreation Department for their work on the creation of an indoor track program.

**a) Financial update:** *This item was discussed at 7:21 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

**b) Election and absentee ballot reminder** *(This item was discussed at 7:22 p.m.)*

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, provided this report.

c) **Revaluation update** (*This item was discussed at 7:23 p.m.*)

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**114. The Town Council will discuss options for selling 946 Mere Point Road, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)** (*This item was discussed at 7:24 p.m.*)

Manager Eldridge introduced this item and explained the options.

**Heather Osterfeld**, 11 Wild Aster Lane, spoke regarding this item.

**Richard Fisco**, 2 Lincoln Street, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Jane Millett, Chair Sarah Brayman, and Councilor Suzan Wilson spoke regarding this item.

**Chair Sarah Brayman moved, Councilor Kathy Wilson seconded, that the Town Manager is authorized to take all necessary steps and execute any required documents to clear title to 946 Mere Point Road, owned by the Town of Brunswick. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**115. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on proposed amendments to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 11 “Marine Activities, Structures and Ways” including new definitions, changes in license categories and opening and closing of coastal waters, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)** (*This item was discussed at 7:32 p.m.*)

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Daniel Harris spoke and asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge and Councilor Suzan Wilson responded.

Chair Sarah Brayman asked a question, to which Councilor Suzan Wilson responded.

Councilor David Watson asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge and Councilor Stephen Walker responded.

**Councilor Suzan Wilson moved, Councilor David Watson seconded, to set a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on proposed amendments to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 11 “Marine Activities, Structures and Ways”. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**116. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on proposed amendments to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12 “Personnel Ordinance” to provide for an alternate process to hire current Maine Criminal Justice**

**Academy Certified Full-Time Law Enforcement Officers, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)** *(This item was discussed at 7:41 p.m.)*

Mark Waltz, Police Commander, introduced this item, and responded to questions from Councilor David Watson.

Councilor Jane Millett spoke regarding this item.

**Councilor David Watson moved, Councilor John Perreault seconded, to set a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on proposed amendments to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12 “Personnel Ordinance” to provide for an alternate process to hire current Maine Criminal Justice Academy Certified Full-Time Law Enforcement Officers. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**117. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on amendments to the General Assistance Maximums, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)** *(This item was discussed at 7:47 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Jane Millett asked questions, to which Fran Smith responded.

**Councilor David Watson moved, Councilor Daniel Harris seconded, to set a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on amendments to the General Assistance Maximums. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

**118. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on amendments to Code of Ordinance, Chapter 13 “Solid Waste” to, by contract, allow the Graham Road landfill to accept solid waste generated beyond the corporate limits of Brunswick, and will take any appropriate action. (Manager)** *(This item was discussed at 7:52 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor John Perreault, Chair Sarah Brayman, Councilor Alison Harris, Councilor David Watson, and Councilor Kathy Wilson asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge responded.

Councilor Suzan Wilson and Councilor John Perreault spoke regarding this item.

**Councilor John Perreault moved, Chair Sarah Brayman seconded, to set a public hearing for November 7, 2016, on amendments to Code of Ordinance, Chapter 13 “Solid Waste” to allow the Graham Road landfill to accept solid waste generated beyond the corporate limits of Brunswick by contract only. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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*Frances M. Smith*  
*Town Clerk*  
*October 25, 2016*

November 7, 2016  
*Date of Approval*

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*Council Chair*