

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
September 3, 2019
6:30 P.M. – Regular Meeting
Executive session after the business meeting
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Christopher Watkinson, John M. Perreault, Jane F. Millett, James Mason, Kathy Wilson, and Dan Ankeles

Councilors Absent: Dan Jenkins

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Elin M. Gould, Deputy Town Clerk; Ryan Leighton, Assistant Town Manager; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Richard Rizzo, Police Chief; Sally Costello, Economic and Community Development Director; Nicholas Cloutier, Assessor; Bryan Cobb, IT/Cable TV Manager; and TV video crew

Chair John Perreault called the meeting to order, asked the Clerk for roll call, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Public Comments/Announcements (for items not on the agenda) [*\(This item was discussed at 6:30 p.m.\)*](#)

Lee Appelbaum, 12 Jewell Street, spoke about cybersecurity awareness at the municipal level and at a personal level.

MANAGER'S REPORT [*\(This item was discussed at 6:36 p.m.\)*](#)

a) Reminder of deadline for nomination papers

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, provided this reminder.

b) New website

Manager Eldridge and Ryan Leighton, Assistant Town Manager, provided this report.

Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Millett spoke and asked questions about this item.

c) Fire Station Update

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

d) Asylum Seekers

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

e) 2019 Tax Rate

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

f) Cook's Corner Connector Road

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

g) Graham Road Landfill

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

h) LED Lighting

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

i) Safe Routes to Schools

Manager Eldridge provided this report and responded to questions from Councilor Watkinson and Councilor Millett.

j) Maine Street Sidewalks

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 114. The Town Council will hear comments on an application for a renewal of a Special Amusement license, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 7:05 p.m.\)*](#)**

Special Amusement License

Bowdoin College

D/B/A: Bowdoin College Dining Service – Magee's Pub

3700 College Station

Mary M. Kennedy

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve a Special Amusement license for Magee’s Pub at 3700 College Station. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

115. The Town Council will hear comments on an application for an alcoholic beverage license, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 7:06 p.m.*](#))

Full-Time Vinous & Malt
Asian Garden, Inc.
D/B/A: Asian Garden
168 Maine Street

Heqiang (Charlie) Chen/Xiao Long Xie

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to approve an alcoholic beverage license for Asian Garden, 168 Maine Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

NEW BUSINESS

116. The Town Council will consider adopting “May We Never Forget”, a resolution regarding the remembrance of the September 11, 2001 terror attacks, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor David Watson) ([*This item was discussed at 7:08 p.m.*](#))

Councilor Watson introduced this item.

Manager Eldridge read the resolution.

Councilor Millett spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to adopt “May We Never Forget”, a resolution regarding the September 11, 2001 terror attacks on our country. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

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- 117. The Town Council will discuss a proposed Brunswick/Bowdoin College community book discussion of the book “*The Hundred Story Home*” by Kathy Iazard, culminating with a presentation by the author at the First Parish Church, and may take any action deemed necessary. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 7:11 p.m.*](#))**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Carol O’Donnell spoke regarding this item and played a video regarding the book.

Councilor Millett spoke regarding this item.

(A copy of a memo from Town Manager Eldridge with a brief summary of each group’s mission will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 118. The Town Council will consider authorizing Town Manager Eldridge to submit a Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) Planning Grant, and will take any appropriate action. (Chair Perreault) ([*This item was discussed at 7:21 p.m.*](#))**

Chair Perreault introduced this item.

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item and answered questions from Councilor Walker and Councilor Millett.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to authorize Town Manager Eldridge to submit an application for MDOT’s PPI program. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

- 119. The Town Council will consider granting approval of the transfer of forfeiture assets to the Brunswick Police Department, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 7:29 p.m.*](#))**

Chief Rizzo introduced this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to approve acceptance of a criminal forfeiture of (1) up to \$1386.50 from Document No. CR-17-6465, for the Brunswick Police Department in anticipation of the final order of forfeiture and (2) to approve acceptance of criminal forfeiture of up to \$1412.00 from Document No. CR-17-6491, for the Brunswick Police Department, in anticipation of the final order of forfeiture. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of a memo from Brunswick Police Chief Richard Rizzo, along with two forfeiture approval forms from the Office of the Attorney General will be attached to the official minutes.)

120. The Town Council will consider the appointment of Sally Costello as the Town's representative to the MidCoast Economic Development District and as staff representative to the Frank J. Wood Bridge Design Advisory Committee, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 7:32 p.m.*](#))

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Millett moved, Councilor Mason seconded, to appoint Sally Costello, Economic & Community Development Director, as the Town's representative to the MidCoast Economic Development District and staff representative to the Frank J. Wood Bridge Design Advisory Committee. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

121. The Town Council will consider forwarding text amendments pertaining to existing marijuana use definitions to the Planning Board for review, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 7:33 p.m.*](#))

Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development, and Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item and responded to questions from Councilor Millett and Councilor Mason.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to forward text amendments pertaining to existing marijuana use definitions to the Planning Board for review and a written recommendation for the Town Council. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

122. 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 7:39 p.m.*](#))

Councilor Mason made the following nominations:

Cable TV Committee

- Jerry Reese for a balance of 3-year term to expire on 09/06/2021

Recycling and Sustainability Committee

- Jamie Ecker for a balance of a 3-year term to expire on 01/01/2022
- Harry Hopcroft for a balance of a 3-year term to expire on 01/01/2020
- Dieuwke Zolas for a balance of a 3-year term to expire on 01/01/2020
- Marie Caspard for a balance of 3-year term to expire on 1/01/2021
- Katherine Mann for a balance of 3-year term to expire on 1/01/2021

Village Review Board

- Claudia Knox as the Pejepscot Historical Society member for 3-year term to begin on 10/20/2019 and to expire on 10/20/2022

Water District

- Walter Lach for a 3-year term to expire on 09/12/2022 ***

The Council supported the slate with eight (8) yeas.

*****Subsequent to the passage of the minutes, it was determined there was not an Opening on the Water District and Mr. Lach was not appointed or sworn in to the position.**

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMITTEE REPORTS ([*This item was discussed at 7:41 pm*](#))

Reports were given on the following committees:

Chair Perreault spoke regarding a conversation he had with a Scarborough builder who complimented the Planning Department staff for their prompt work.

Councilor Walker discuss conversations regarding the following items: the Council asking people to apply for the Conservation Commission; the need for repairs to the Simpson Point ramp; and a bill put forth by Inland Fishery regarding the Mere Point Boat Launch uses that the Council should be watching,

Councilor Millett attended the Bowdoin luncheon for Community leaders and said it was very nice.

CONSENT AGENDA ([*This item was discussed at 7:46 pm*](#))

a) Approval of the minutes of August 5, 2019

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Mason seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Executive Session: Acquisition of real property per [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C)] and personnel matter per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A)

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Mason seconded, to go into executive session to discuss Acquisition of real property per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C) and a personnel matter per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A), and to adjourn after the executive session. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

[The regular meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.](#)

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Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
September 6, 2019

September 16, 2019
Date of Approval

Council Chair