

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
February 18, 2020
Regular Meeting - 6:30 P.M.
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Dan Jenkins, John M. Perreault, Toby McGrath, James Mason, Kathy Wilson, and Dan Ankeles

Councilors Absent: Christopher Watkinson

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Ryan Leighton, Assistant Town Manager; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Julia Henze, Finance Director; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jay Astle, Public Works Director and TV video crew

Chair John Perreault called the meeting to order and asked for roll call.

Adjustments to Agenda: none

Public Comments/Announcements: [*\(This item was discussed at 6:30 p.m.\)*](#) none

MANAGER'S REPORT [*\(This item was discussed at 6:31 p.m.\)*](#)

a) Financial update

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

b) Election update

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke regarding this item.

c) Council Workshop on Village Review Guidelines

Manager Eldridge provided this report.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 20. The Town Council will hear comments regarding proposed changes to the parking ordinance for Farmers' Market and food vendors, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 6:34 p.m.\)*](#)**

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

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Councilor Wilson spoke regarding this item.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

There were no objections to voting tonight.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to adopt changes to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15 – Traffic and Vehicles to allow for permits by fee for Farmers’ Market and Mall Vendors, which allows extended parking along Park Row from Green Street to Fitch Place for the duration of the Farmers’ Market on Farmers’ Market days, and for food vendors for the hours they are present. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

- 21. The Town Council will hear comments regarding Special Amusement applications, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 6:37 p.m.\)*](#)**

Special Amusement

Vessel and Vine, LLC
D/B/A: Vessel and Vine
4 Pleasant Street, #1

Nikaline Iacono

O’Donoghue Corp.
D/B/A: O’Donoghue’s
103 Pleasant Street

Patrick & John O’Donoghue

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Councilor Jenkins moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve Special Amusement licenses for Vessel and Vine, 4 Pleasant Street, #1, and O’Donoghue’s, 103 Pleasant Street. The motion carried with (8) yeas.

TABLED

16. **The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for March 2, 2020 regarding proposed zoning ordinance text amendments to define and allow Environmental Resource Center as a conditional use in the Growth Outdoor (GO) Zoning District, and will take any appropriate action. (Planning Board) [*\(This item was discussed at 6:41 p.m.\)*](#)**

Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development, spoke regarding this item and responded to questions from Chair Perreault.

Tom Wright, property owner, spoke and responded to questions from Chair Perreault, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Watson.

Councilor Wilson spoke on this item.

Lee Cataldo, Brunswick Topsham Land Trust, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to set a public hearing for March 2, 2020 regarding proposed zoning ordinance text amendments allowing for a new conditional use in the Growth Outdoor (GO) district. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

NEW BUSINESS

22. **The Town Council will consider adopting “A Resolution Authorizing an Appropriation of \$47,000 from Recreation Impact Fees for the Purpose of Funding Costs of the Development and Construction of a Shared-Use Path Connecting Merriconeag Road to the Kate Furbish Preserve”, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 7:07 p.m.\)*](#)**

Manager Eldridge and Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation Department, introduced this item.

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

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing an Appropriation of \$47,000 from Recreation Impact Fees for the Purpose of Funding Costs of the Development and Construction of a Shared-Use Path Connecting Merriconeag Road to the Kate Furbish Preserve”. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of a memo from Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation, the resolution, a cost estimate and a map will be attached to the official minutes.)

23. **The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for a future meeting date regarding a proposed Impact Fee ordinance, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 7:16 p.m.\)*](#)**

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Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Watson spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Mason moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to set a public hearing for March 16, 2020 regarding a proposed impact fee ordinance. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

24. **The Town Council will consider “A Resolution Authorizing a Transit Service Study and Re-Design of Local Bus Service, and Authorizing an Appropriation of up to \$20,000 from Available TIF Revenues for the Purpose of Funding the Transit Service Study and Re-Design”, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([This item was discussed at 7:29 p.m.](#))**

Manager Eldridge and Ryan Leighton, Assistant Town Manager, introduced this item, and responded to questions from Chair Perreault, Councilor Ankeles, Councilor McGrath, and Councilor Watson.

Chair Perreault, Councilor Watson, and Councilor Wilson spoke.

Fred Horch, 44 Pleasant Street, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing a Transit Service Study and Re-Design of Local Bus Service, and Authorizing an Appropriation of up to \$20,000 from Available TIF Revenues for the Purpose of Funding the Transit Service Study and Re-Design.” The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

25. **The Town Council will consider ratifying the appointment of Taylor Burns as Assessor, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([This item was discussed at 7:44 p.m.](#))**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Ankeles moved, Councilor Mason seconded, to consent to the appointment of Taylor Burns as the Town Assessor. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

26. **The Town Council will consider sending a letter of opposition to the Legislature of the State of Maine and to the Governor, regarding bills LD 900 and LD 2090, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([This item was discussed at 7:45 p.m.](#))**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Mason, Chair Perreault, Councilor McGrath, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Watson spoke on this item.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to send a letter in opposition to bills LD 900 and LD 2090 to the Legislature and to the Governor. The motion carried with five (5) yeas. Opposed were Councilor McGrath, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Mason.

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

CORRESPONDENCE /COMMITTEE REPORTS

There was none.

CONSENT AGENDA *(This item was discussed at 8:01 p.m.)*

- a) Approval of the minutes of February 3, 2020
- b) Approval of a quitclaim deed for real estate depicted as Map 045 Lot 043 Sub 000 Typ 000

(A copy of the quitclaim deed for item CA-b will be attached to the official minutes.)

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

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

[The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.](#)

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*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
February 24, 2020*

March 2, 2020
Date of Approval

Council Chair