

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
May 3, 2021
EXECUTIVE SESSIONS AT 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting – 6:30 P.M.

MEETING VIA ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Dan Jenkins Christopher Watkinson, John M. Perreault, Kate Foye, James Mason, Kathy Wilson and Dan Ankeles.

Councilors Absent: None

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

Chair Perreault opened the meeting and acknowledged the meeting had been properly noticed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive sessions: Both executive sessions are regarding Consultation between a body and its attorney per [1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E)]

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to go into executive session for a consultation between a body and its attorney per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E). The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Public Comment: None

MANAGER’S REPORT *(This item was discussed 6:34 p.m.)*

a) Simpsons Point Project

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

b) Mere Point Boat Launch Parking

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Manager Eldridge gave this update.

c) Regulation of Airboats

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

Councilor Ankeles spoke on this item

d) Graham Road Landfill Closure

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

e) Public Display of Banners

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

PUBLIC HEARING

60. The Town Council will hear public comments regarding proposed amendments to the Municipal Code – Chapter 10, Sec. 10-26 (b) (14) – Sales or exhibits by non-profit organizations on public places, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 6:40 p.m.\)*](#)

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Larissa Darcy, resident, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Mason, Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Wilson spoke regarding this item.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

There was no opposition to voting tonight on this item.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adopt proposed amendments to the Municipal Code – Chapter 10, Sec. 10-26 (b) (14) – Sales or exhibits by non-profit organizations on public places included new definition.

Councilor Mason moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to amend to the ordinance from “headquarters” to “presence” in Brunswick regarding the status of the nonprofit. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adopt proposed amendments to the Municipal Code – Chapter 10, Sec. 10-26 (b) (14) – Sales or exhibits by non-profit organizations on public places included new definition and as amended. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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

NEW BUSINESS

- 61. The Town Council will consider the Industrial Park Covenants relating to the Town’s opportunity to reacquire property, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) *(This item was discussed 7:48 p.m.)***

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Kristin Collins, Town Attorney, spoke regarding this item.

Leah Rachin, Attorney for property owner, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to extend the requirement to complete the construction of the building within two years from the date of this vote. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 62. The Town Council will consider authorizing the Town Manager to terminate the LC3 Committee and to establish a new Advisory Committee to develop a final design for the REC-11 parcel at Brunswick Landing, and to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing an Appropriation from Recreation Impact Fees for the Purpose of Funding Predevelopment Costs for a community engagement process and environmental consultant for the redevelopment of Parcel REC-11 as an outdoor recreation municipal complex promoting health and wellness”, and will take any appropriate action. (Economic Development) *(This item was discussed 7:01 p.m.)***

This item was done before item 61. Councilor Watson arrived to the meeting at this time.

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Mike Lyne, Chair of Recreation Commission, spoke on this item.

Tom Farrell and Sally Costello made a presentation.

The following people spoke:

John Coray

Larissa Darcy

Irl Rosner

Sabrina Murphy

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Scott Mills

Councilor Foye, Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Wilson spoke regarding this item.

Motion 1:

Councilor Ankeles moved, Councilor Wilson seconded to terminate the LC3 Committee and establish a new Advisory Committee. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Motion 2:

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing an Appropriation from Recreation Impact Fees for the Purpose of Funding Predevelopment Costs for a community engagement process and environmental consultant for the redevelopment of Parcel REC-11 as an outdoor recreation municipal complex promoting health and wellness.” The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

(A copy of the committee charge and the adopted resolution will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 63. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for May 17, 2021 regarding amendments to Chapter 14 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances pertaining to the Parks and Recreation areas within Brunswick, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 8:06 p.m.\)*](#)**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to set a public hearing for May 17, 2021 regarding amendments to Chapter 14 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances pertaining to jurisdiction for the lower and upper mall. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 64. The Town Council will consider appointments to the Town’s Boards and Committees, and will take any appropriate action. (Appointments Committee) [*\(This item was discussed 7:53 p.m.\)*](#)**

This item was done before item 61.

Councilor Ankeles presented the slate, which the Council supported with nine (9) yeas.

- Keith Bisson be appointed to a three-year term on the Trust Fund Advisory Committee to begin May 10, 2021 and expire May 10, 2024.
- Sara Coughlin be appointed to a term on the Comprehensive Plan Committee to begin immediately and expire upon the completion of the committee's work.

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- Tim Johnson be appointed to a three-year term on the Marine Resources Committee in one of the harvester slots. The term would begin May 1, 2021 and expire May 1, 2024.
- Katherine Greason be reappointed to a third term on the Zoning Board of Appeals (full member) to begin on 07/01/2021 and to expire on 07/01/2024.
- John Gallagher be appointed to a five-year term on the Brunswick Housing Authority to begin June 3, 2021 and expire June 3, 2026.

65. The Town Council may discuss the budget if there is sufficient time. ([This item was discussed 8:11 p.m.](#))

Manager Eldridge spoke

Correspondence

Councilor Watkinson spoke on tree removal on Maine Street.

Chair Perreault spoke regarding ability to fish at Coffin Pond, to which Mr. Farrell commented.

CONSENT AGENDA ([This item was discussed 8:13 p.m.](#))

- a) Approval of minutes of April 5, 2021
- b) Approval of a proclamation for Arbor Week
- c) Approval of a proclamation for Town Commons Day
- d) Approval of a quitclaim deed for a mobile home depicted as Map 045 Lot 003 Sub 000 Type 182
- e) Approval of a quitclaim deed for a mobile home depicted as Map 045 Lot 003 Sub 000 Typ 061

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

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to go into executive session for a consultation between a body and its attorney per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E) and to adjourn the meeting after it. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

[The meeting adjourned at after the executive session](#)

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Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk

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Council Chair