

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
June 1, 2020
Minutes
Regular Meeting – 6:30 P.M.
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street

MEETING VIA ELECTRONIC DEVICES

All Votes Taken Via Roll Call

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Dan Jenkins, Christopher Watkinson, John M. Perreault, Toby McGrath, 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; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Julia Henze, Finance Director; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Taylor Burns, Assessor; Sally Costello, Economic Development Director, Ryan Barnes, Town Engineer; and TV video crew

Chair John Perreault opened the meeting.

Adjustments to Agenda:

To add executive session after item #78

MANAGER’S REPORT *(This item was discussed at 6:41 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provide a few announcements.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 77. The Town Council will hear public comments regarding the proposed 2020-2021 Municipal Budget, which includes the school budget portion of the overall municipal budget, and Capital Improvement Plan 2021-2025, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) *(This item was discussed at 6:50 p.m.)***

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

There were presentations by Manager Eldridge, Paul Perzanoski, School Superintendent, and Kelly Wentworth, Business Manager for School Department.

Staff responded to questions from Councilor Ankeles and Councilor Watkinson.

Public comments:

Jean Powers, 40 Redwood Lane

Stacy Frizzle, People Plus, spoke and responded to questions from Councilor Ankeles and Chair Perreault

Joel Harrington, 7 Sandhill Drive

Deborah King, BDA, spoke and responded to questions from Councilor Watkinson

Liz Doucett, Library Director, spoke and responded to questions from Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Mason and Councilor Ankeles.

- 78. The Town Council will hear public comments on amendments to the Business Licensing Ordinance to extend the due date for license payment from June 30, 2020 until no later than December 31, 2020, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Clerk) [*\(This item was discussed at 8:20 p.m.\)*](#)**

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

There was no objection to voting this evening.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to adopt amendments to the Business Licensing Ordinance to extend the due date for license payment from June 30, 2020, until no later than December 31, 2020. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive session

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter of hiring a Police Chief per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A). The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 79. The Town Council will consider ratifying the appointment of a Police Chief, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 8:54 p.m.\)*](#)**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Watkinson asked questions, to which the new Police Chief, Scott Stewart, responded.

Councilor Walker spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to consent to the appointment of Scott Stewart as the Brunswick Police Chief. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Walker was opposed.

80. 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 9:14 p.m.)

Councilor Ankeles made the following nominations:

- David Shaughnessy for reappointment to a full three-year term on the Trust Fund Advisory Committee
- Charles Priest for re-appointment to a new three-year term on the Sewer District Board of Trustees
- Wallace Pinfold for reappointment to a new three-year term on the Tree Committee
- Mark Worthing for reappointment to a three-year term on the Rivers and Coastal Waters Commission as a full member (citizen)
- Jane Scease for appointment to a five-year term on the Housing Authority
- Shaun Hogan for appointment to serve a three-year term on the Personnel Board as an Alternate member
- Keith Bisson for appointment to serve the balance of a term on the Trust Fund Advisory Committee, that expires in May of 2021.

This slate was supported with nine (9) yeas.

Councilor Ankeles also nominated:

- Jackie Sartoris for re-appointment to a new three-year term on the Sewer District Board of Trustees

The Council supported this nomination with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Walker abstained as Ms. Sartoris is his wife.

CONSENT AGENDA *(This item was discussed at 9:17 p.m.)*

a) Approval of the minutes of May 18, 2020

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

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

[The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.](#)

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Frances M. Smith

Town Clerk

June 4, 2020

June 15, 2020

Date of Approval
