

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
July 15, 2019
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, Christopher Watkinson, Jane F. Millett, Kathy Wilson, and Dan Ankeles

Councilors Absent: James Mason

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Ryan Leighton, Assistant Town Manager; Ryan Barnes, Town Engineer; Julia Henze, Finance Director; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; 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 6:31 p.m.)*

Jean Powers, 40 Redwood Lane, said that RunBrunswick raised \$125,000, and she is disappointed for those residents who can afford to but have not donated to the track.

Jim Trusiani, 6 Pleasant Street, spoke on a variety of issues including upcoming school debt, police cars needing numbers, information on jaywalking, and the closing of Coffin Pond.

MANAGER'S REPORT *(This item was discussed at 6:37 p.m.)*

a) Financial update

Manager Eldridge provided this update.

b) Nomination papers

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, provided this update.

c) Homelessness and General Assistance

Manager Eldridge provided this update.

d) Pleasant/Stanwood/Mill

Manager Eldridge provided this update.

e) Office Reconfiguration at Town Hall

Manager Eldridge provided this update.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 97. The Town Council will hear comments regarding an application for a renewal of a Special Amusement license for The Daniel, 10 Water Street, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) (This item was discussed at 6:45 p.m.)**

Special Amusement

Boston East Brunswick Holdings, LLC

Abhijit Das

D/B/A: The Daniel

10 Water Street

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Councilor Jenkins moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to approve a Special Amusement license for The Daniel, 10 Water Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 98. The Town Council will hear comments on a “Resolution Amending the Municipal Budget For the Period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020”, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge)(This item was discussed at 6:46 p.m.)**

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Millett, and Councilor Walker asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge and Ryan Barnes, Town Engineer, responded.

Councilor Watkinson and Councilor Millett spoke regarding this item.

The following people spoke regarding this item:

Richard Fisco, 2 Lincoln Street

Marji Greenhut, 10 Noble Street

Michaelanne Rosenzweig, 19 Signature Drive

Jim Trusiani, 6 Pleasant Street

Karen Budd, 42 Eastern Shore Road and representing the Curtis Memorial Library

Jean Powers, 40 Redwood Lane

Camille Desoto, 21 Gilman Avenue

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Councilor Wilson, Councilor Millett, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Walker spoke regarding this item.

Manager Eldridge responded to questions from Councilor Walker and Councilor Ankeles

NEW BUSINESS

- 99. The Town Council will hear a presentation regarding the Maine Street/Route 1 Overpass Project by the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT), and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) (This item was discussed at 7:23 p.m.)**

Ryan Barnes introduced this item.

Tom Errico, TY Lin International, and **Nate Howard**, MDOT

Councilor Millett, Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Watson, and Councilor Walker asked questions to which Mr. Errico and Mr. Howard responded.

The following citizens spoke regarding this item.

Michaelanne Rosenzweig, 19 Signature Drive

Nancy Randolph, Topsham resident

Jim Trusiani, 6 Pleasant Street

Jean Powers, 40 Redwood Lane

Kathy Funderburk, 18 High Street

(A copy of a memo from Assistant Town Manager Ryan Leighton and the presentation will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 100. The Town Council will consider authorizing the Town Manager to sign and execute a proposed contract with Freeport to share the services of Brunswick's Animal Control Officer with Freeport for ten (10) hours per week, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) (This item was discussed at 9:21 p.m.)**

This item was done after 101.

Manager Eldridge introduced this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Walker and Councilor Millett

Chair Perreault and Councilor Watson spoke regarding this item.

Camille Desoto, 21 Gilman Avenue, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Wilson and Councilor Millett spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to authorize the Town Manager to sign and execute a proposed contract for sharing the services of the Animal Control Officer (ACO) services with the Town of Freeport. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of the proposed contract and a memo from Commander Mark Waltz will be attached to the official minutes.)

101. The Town Council will discuss the possible relocation to Brunswick of some of Portland's Asylum seekers, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) (This item was discussed at 8:05 p.m.)

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

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

Councilor Millett, Chair Perreault, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Watson spoke regarding this item.

Sarah Singer, Emergency Action Network board member

Carol Kalajainen, 28 Palmer Street and the MidCoast New Mainer Support Group

Joanne Rosenthal, 49 Bunganuc Road

Jim Trusiani, 6 Pleasant Street

Martha Stein, 3 Oak Ridge Road and Executive Director at Hope Acts Portland

Louise Rosen, 15 High Street

Camille Desoto, 21 Gilman Avenue

Kathy Funderburk, 18 High Street

Chris Rhoades, Owner of Brunswick Landing Venture

Jean Powers, 40 Redwood Lane

Elizabeth Leonard, 8 Appletree Drive

Chair Perreault appointed Councilor Millett, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Walker to be on the task force for this item

Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Watson, and Councilor Ankeles asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge responded.

Councilor Millett spoke regarding this item.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMITTEE REPORTS *(This item was discussed at 9:29 p.m.)*

Councilor Millett said Council received much correspondence on asylum seekers, and she spoke regarding issues with Simpsons Point Road. She discussed the First Friday Artwalk and

other upcoming BDA events.

Councilor Walker spoke regarding airboats.

Councilor Kathy Wilson spoke regarding a manhole cover that needs fixing on Cushing Street.

Councilor Watson invited the Council and public to the American Legion's birthday party at Brunswick Post 20.

CONSENT AGENDA *(This item was discussed at 9:35 p.m.)*

a) Approval of the minutes of June 27, 2019

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

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adjourn. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
July 26, 2019

August 5, 2019
Date of Approval

Council Chair