

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
October 7, 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, Jane F. Millett, James Mason, Kathy Wilson, and Dan Ankeles

Councilors Absent: Councilor Christopher Watkinson

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

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

Adjustments to Agenda:

Remove item 133 regarding Recreation Center parking agreement with YMCA

Public Comments/Announcements: (for items not on the agenda) [*\(This item was discussed at 6:32 p.m.\)*](#)

Lucy Derbyshire spoke regarding homeless people and mentioned a talk by the author of the book *“The Hundred Story Home”*.

MANAGER’S REPORT [*\(This item was discussed at 6:39 p.m.\)*](#)

a) Fire Department Open House

Manager Eldridge reported on this item.

b) Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Manager Eldridge reported on this item.

c) Absentee Ballots

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, reported on this item.

d) Council Compensation

Manager Eldridge reported on this item.

e) Asylum Seekers

Manager Eldridge reported on this item.

f) Walmart Tax Appeal

Manager Eldridge reported on this item.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

- 128. The Town Council will hear public comments on the following Junkyard and Automobile Graveyard application, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 6:52 p.m.*](#))**

**Brunswick Auto Recycling, LLC
D/B/A: Brunswick Auto Recycling, LLC
117 Bath Road**

Shawn Letourneau

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve the renewal of an Automobile Graveyard and Junkyard application for Brunswick Auto Recycling, 117 Bath Road. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 129. The Town Council will hear public comments on an Alcoholic Beverage license, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 6:54 p.m.*](#))**

**Full-Time Spirituous, Vinous & Malt
Mabel & Joe, LLC
D/B/A: Enoteca Athena
97 Maine Street**

Ayobamidele Odejimi

HEARING/ACTION

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

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Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Ayobamidele Odejimi, owner, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve an alcoholic beverage license for Enoteca Athena, 97 Maine Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

130. The Town Council will hear public comments on proposed zoning ordinance text amendments regarding regulations pertaining to 15% slopes in Rural Protection 1 (RP1) and Rural Protection 2 (RP2) Districts with a Rural Protection Stormwater Management Overlay (RPSMO), and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed at 6:57 p.m.*](#))

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development, introduced this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Millett, Councilor Walker, Chair Perreault, Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Watson.

Councilor Millett and Councilor Walker spoke regarding this item.

The following people spoke regarding this item:

Kevin Clark, Sitalines

Bob Golledge, 11 Howard's Point Landing

Chair Perreault closed the public hearing.

Mr. Panfil provided some minor edits to table 4.2.4 under the footnotes.

Councilor Walker and Chair Perreault spoke regarding this item.

The Council unanimously supported suspending the rules to vote on this item tonight.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to approve an amendment to the Brunswick Zoning Ordinance replacing the original language of Section 4.2.5.B.(4).e, Setbacks from Slopes over 15 Percent for Rural Protection (RP1 and RP2) District with changes as recommended by Mr. Panfil.

Councilor Walker and Chair Perreault spoke regarding the motion.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to approve an amendment to the Brunswick Zoning Ordinance replacing the original language of Section 4.2.5.B.(4).e, Setbacks from Slopes over 15 Percent for Rural Protection (RP1 and RP2) District with changes as recommended by Mr. Panfil. The motion carried with six (6) yeas. Chair Perreault and Councilor Millett were opposed.

(A copy of the adopted language and a memo from the Brunswick Planning Board will be attached to the official minutes.)

NEW BUSINESS

- 131. The Town Council will hear a presentation from Central Maine Power regarding a Topsham to Brunswick transmission upgrade, and will determine if any action is necessary. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 7:46 p.m.\)*](#)**

Deborah Turcotte and Nicole Harbaugh, CMP project manager, made a presentation regarding CMP's upgrade and responded to questions from the Council.

Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Millett, Councilor Mason, Councilor Wilson, Chair Perreault, Councilor Jenkins, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Watson asked questions regarding this item, to which the CMP representatives responded.

Sam Feldman, 84 Columbia Avenue, spoke regarding this item.

(A copy of a PowerPoint presentation will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 132. The Town Council will consider authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Landing Community Center Committee (LC3), and will take any appropriate action. (Recreation Commission) [*\(This item was discussed at 8:47 p.m.\)*](#)**

Mike Lyne, 6 Micmac Lane and Recreation Commission, introduced this item, and responded to questions from Councilor Millett, Chair Perreault, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Mason, and Councilor Ankeles.

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

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

Marshall Shepherd, Harpswell, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to authorize the Town to enter into a nonbinding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the YMCA, MRRRA and MYHL, while recognizing the Landing Community Center Committee as the facilitator of such efforts. The motion carried with seven (7) yeas. Councilor Millett was opposed.

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(A copy of a memo from Mike Lyne, Chair of the Brunswick Recreation Commission, and the adopted MOU and Exhibit A will be attached to the official minutes.)

- 133. The Town Council will consider approving a shared parking agreement between the Landing YMCA and the Recreation Center, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge)**

This item was removed.

- 134. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for October 21, 2019, regarding An amendment to the Municipal Tax Increment Financing Development Program for the District Known As The “Mölnlycke Manufacturing Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District” (to be renamed “Seahawk Omnibus Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District”), and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 9:15 p.m.\)*](#)**

Manager Eldridge and Sally Costello, Economic and Community Development Director, introduced this item.

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Millett asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge and Ms. Costello responded.

Becky Shephard, Wild Oats Bakery, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Watson, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Millett seconded, to set a public hearing for October 21, 2019, for An Amendment to the Municipal Tax Increment Financing Development Program for the District Known As The “Mölnlycke Manufacturing Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District” (to be renamed “Seahawk Omnibus Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District”). The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 135. The Town Council will consider sending a letter to the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) supporting the choice of Alignment 6a for the proposed upgrades to Maine Street Bridge area, commonly known as the “Pool Table”, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 9:41 p.m.\)*](#)**

Chair Perreault and Councilor Millett spoke regarding this item.

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- 136. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for October 21, 2019, on amendments to the General Assistance Maximums, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed at 9:46 p.m.\)*](#)**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Mason asked questions, to which Manager Eldridge responded.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to set a public hearing for October 21, 2019, to consider accepting the current General Assistance Maximums, as required by state law, on a regular and emergency basis. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 137. The Town Council will consider appointments to the Town's Boards and Committees, and will take any appropriate action. (Appointments Committee) [*\(This item was discussed at 9:49 p.m.\)*](#)**

Councilor Ankeles made the following recommendations:

Marine Resources Committee

- Derek Devereaux (Recreational Harvester) for a balance of 3 year-term to expire on 05/01/2021

Planning Board

- Alison Harris for 3 year-term to begin on 02/23/2020 and to expire on 02/23/2023

Recycling and Sustainability Committee

- Harry Hopcroft for a 3 year-term to expire on 01/01/2023
- Dieuwke Zolas for a 3 year-term to expire on 01/01/2023

The nominations were supported by all Councilors present.

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMITTEE REPORTS [*\(This item was discussed at 9:50 p.m.\)*](#)

Reports were given for the Comprehensive Plan Committee and Finance Committee,

CONSENT AGENDA [*\(This item was discussed at 9:53 p.m.\)*](#)

- a) Approval of the Minutes of September 16, 2019**
- b) Appointment of Fran Smith as Warden and Elin Gould, Sara King, and Joe Zrioka as Deputy Wardens for the November 5, 2019 Election**
- c) Approval of the Election Warrant for November 5, 2019**

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

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(A copy of CA-c supporting document will be attached to the official minutes.)

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

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Frances M. Smith

Town Clerk

October 10, 2019

October 21, 2019

Date of Approval

Council Chair