



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 6, 2017

Council convened March 6, 2017 in the Old Town City Council Chambers at 265 Main Street.

Councilors present: President David Mahan, Janet Klitch, Carol May, Linda McLeod, Eric Roach arrived at 7:04 p.m. and Stan Peterson. John Nuttall absent

Administration present: Bill Mayo, Erik Stumpf, Patty Brochu, Lance Farrar, Steve O’Malley, John Rouleau, Travis Roy and David Russell.

Others present: three citizens in the audience and news media.

Council President Mahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor Peterson, moved to approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2017 Regular Council Meetings. **Approved all in favor, 5-0.**

REPORTS

President Mahan reported the Annual Food Drive collected \$900 in cash and 3 truckloads of food. He thanked all those who were there to collect at Hannaford on Saturday.

Manager Mayo: Reported he will be attending several meetings: 1) Safety Works in Augusta; Developers of Jefferson Street School; Forestry Initiative regarding the mill; He will be testifying before the Environmental and Natural Resources Conservation Committee on the CDC Landfill.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The City Council conducted a Public Hearing on a new application for a Malt & Vinous Liquor License for Ventura, LLC, d/b/a The Hub, 277 Main Street.

The City Clerk reported the inspections were approved.

The City Council considered approval of a new application for a Liquor License for the Hub.

Councilor Roach, seconded by Councilor May, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves a new application for a Malt & Vinous Liquor License for Ventura, LLC, d/b/a The Hub, 277 Main Street. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council conducted a Public hearing a proposed designation of certain Downtown Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District and a related

Omnibus Development Program. The Downtown TIF Districts will be comprised of approximately 82 acres in downtown Old Town as designated in the Omnibus Development Program.

Economic Director Ron Harriman explained this was one of the top recommendations that came out of the Downtown Revitalization Plan. He said they calculated projections of an increase of 2% of assessed value every 3 years over the 30 year program. The additional benefit for Old Town over 30 years is over 1.5 million dollars. The Downtown TIF District includes approximately 80 acres. Director Harriman also explained the possible uses for the TIF funds.

There being no further comments, President Mahan closed the hearing.

The City Council conducted a Public Hearing on a proposal to amend Chapter 20, Vehicles for Hire by replacing it in its entirety with a new Chapter 20, Vehicles for Hire.

Police Chief Scott Wilcox explained the reason for updating is to stay in line with Bangor's Taxi Ordinance so that everyone is on the same page.

Cab owner Marty Millett asked about several items regarding the inspections, rates and suspensions. Chief Wilcox said he would look into his concerns and make changes before the final approval. He also added that he will schedule a meeting with the Taxi Companies and go over the whole ordinance before the April meeting for final approval.

The City Council considered scheduling a Second Reading for final approval on a proposal to amend Chapter 20, Vehicles for Hire.

Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Klitch, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby schedules a Second Reading for final approval for April 3, 2017 on a proposal to amend Chapter 20, Vehicles for Hire by replacing it in its entirety with a new Chapter 20, Vehicles for Hire. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

The City Council considered approval of a renewal application for a Malt Liquor License for Clark Cardimino, d/b/a Old Town Bowling Center, 156 Center Street.

Councilor McLeod, seconded by Councilor May, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves a renewal application for a Malt Liquor License for Clark Cardimino, d/b/a Old Town Bowling Center, 156 Center Street. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered approval to amend the City Clerk Fees by increasing the Taxi License fees from \$20.00 per year to \$65.00 per year for a new application and \$40.00 per year for renewals.

Councilor Peterson, seconded by Councilor McLeod, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves amending the City Clerk Fees by increasing the Taxi License fees from \$20.00 per year to \$65.00 per year for a new application and \$40.00 per year for renewals as recommended by the Finance Committee. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered approving an Order providing for the Designation of Downtown Municipal Development and TIF District and adoption of related Second Omnibus Development Program.

Councilor Peterson, seconded by Councilor McLeod, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves an Order providing for the Designation of Downtown Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District and adoption of related Second Omnibus Development Program and includes Broadband Internet. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered going into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a Personnel matter.

Councilor May, seconded by Councilor McLeod, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves going into Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. pursuant to MRSA Title 405, Section (6)(A) for the purpose of discussing a Personnel matter. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor McLeod, moved to come out of Executive Session at 8:21 p.m. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

Councilor McLeod, seconded by Councilor May, moved to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

Adjourned,

Patricia A. Brochu, CMC
City Clerk-Old Town, ME