



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – OCTOBER 2, 2017

Council convened October 2, 2017 in the Old Town City Council Chambers at 265 Main Street.

Councilors present: President David Mahan, Janet Klitch, Carol May, Linda McLeod, John Nuttall and Stan Peterson arrived at 7:05 p.m. Eric Roach absent.

Administration present: Bill Mayo, Ed Bearor, Patty Brochu, David Smith and Paul Boutin.

Others present: five citizens in the audience.

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

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor Nuttall, moved to approve the Minutes of the September 5, 2017 Regular Council Meeting. Approved all in favor, 5-0.

REPORTS

President Mahan thanked everyone involved with Riverfest and stated they did a fantastic job. He informed the audience there were people in the room to speak on the upcoming Charter Amendment and that it will give the city a loan plan for new businesses.

Tim Folster, Chair of the Old Town Development, LLC agreed it will be a tool whether it's used or not.

Brent Folster who has been in banking for 39 years said many things have changed with municipalities and they need to find new ways to attract businesses. This charter changed will be one more tool aiding in attracting businesses to Old Town.

Everett Deschenes stated he has been working with the city on Economic Development and the mill development for the past 2 years and encourages the citizens to pass this amendment.

Councilor McLeod reported on the Bennoch Road now that it was fixed and paved and wanted to know if the big trucks will still be instructed to use the interstate rather than the Bennoch Road. Manager Mayo said there are signs and they are to still use the interstate.

Manager Mayo: 1) The Penny Road property sale is getting close and hopefully is tied up by the end of the week; 2) things are still moving forward with the mill site; 3) Paul Boutin, Pollution Control employee was recognized for receiving the Founders Award from the Maine Joint Environmental Training Coordinating Committee.

Resident Richard Jackson voiced his concerns about the lines and directional arrows for the roads and the lack of them. Manager Mayo told him the line painting is scheduled but they are waiting for the paving to be done first.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor McLeod, seconded by Councilor Klitch, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves the Suggested motions under New Business items 1, 2, 3 & 4 as presented and as follows:

Item #1: Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves an application for a Major Event Permit for the Old Town Rotary Club to hold the Annual Hunters Breakfast to be held in the Municipal Parking lot on Main Street on October 28, 2017 and to allow set up on October 27, 2017 starting at 1:00 p.m. and to further waive the permit fee.

Item #2: Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves issuance of Municipal Warrants for the November 7, 2017 Regular Municipal Election.

Item #3: Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves the Registrar of Voters hours for the November 7, 2017 State General & Regular Municipal Election, pursuant to Title 21A, M.R.S.A. §101(6) as presented in attachment #2 and recommended by the City Clerk.

Item #4: Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves to accept \$460.00 from the State of Maine vs. Patrick Pascal based on the grounds that the Old Town Police department made a substantial contribution to the investigation of this criminal case.

Consent agenda items approved all in favor, 6-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The City Council conducted a Public Hearing at 7:27 p.m. on a proposal to amend Chapter 21, titled Welfare, Appendices A, B, C & D (Food, Housing, Heat & Personal Care Assistance Limits) of the General Assistance Maximum Amounts for the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. This amendment is a requirement of the Department of Human Services in compliance with Title 22, M.R.S.A. §4305(4).

The City Clerk noted this is an annual adjustment in the amounts set by the state.

There being no other comments, the Council President closed the hearing at 7:28 p.m.

The City Council considered scheduling a Second Reading for final approval on a proposal to amend Chapter 21, Titled Welfare.

Councilor Nuttall, seconded by Councilor McLeod, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves scheduling a Second Reading for final approval on November

6, 2017 on a proposal to amend Chapter 21, titled Welfare, Appendices A, B, C & D (Food, Housing, Heating & Personal Care Assistance Limits) of the General Assistance Maximum Amounts for the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 as presented in Attachment #1. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council conducted a Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m. on a new application for a Lunch Wagon Permit for Mark Kent, d/b/a Wicked Good Gourmet, 1168 Main Street, Old Town, ME.

The City Clerk noted that the Inspectors had not been able to inspect the lunch wagon yet and this item should be approved contingent upon completed inspections.

There being no further comments, the Council President closed the hearing at 7:31 p.m.

The City Council considered approval for a new application for a Lunch Wagon Permit.

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor Nuttall, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves an application for a Lunch Wagon Permit for Mark Kent, d/b/a Wicked Good Gourmet, 1168 Main Street, Old Town, ME contingent upon completed inspections. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

The City Council considered approval for a renewal application for a Liquor License for Delicious Bangkok.

The City Clerk noted the Inspectors had not been able to gain entrance during regular working hours to inspect the establishment and therefore recommended this be approved contingent upon completed inspections.

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor May, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves a renewal application for a Malt, Spirituous & Vinous Liquor License for Sirirat Thongoat, d/b/a Delicious Bangkok, 151 Main Street, Old Town, ME contingent upon completed inspections. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered accepting a bid for the demolition of structures at 17 Front Street & 27 Front Street.

Councilor Peterson, seconded by Councilor McLeod, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby authorizes the demolition of the City owned structures located at 17 Front Street and 27 Front Street and hereby accepts the bid from Street's Landscaping and Lawn Care, Inc. in the amount of \$7,000 for demolition and removal of these structures. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered going into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing an economic development update relating to the Expera Mill.

Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Klitch, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves going into Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. pursuant to Title I MRSa Section 405, §(6) (C) for the purpose of discussing an economic development update relating to the Expera Mill. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

Councilor McLeod, seconded by Councilor Klitch, moved to come out of Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

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

Adjourned,

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