

City of Old Town

Council Meeting Minutes September 08, 2020

Council convened May 4, 2020

Councilors present – President Stan Peterson, Councilors Shirley Brissette, Donna Ketchen, Tim Folster, Carol May and Kyle Smart

Administration present – Bill Mayo, EJ Roach, Danielle Berube, Laura Engstrom, Cynthia Jennings and Scott Wilcox.

Others present - Ed Bearer, City Attorney, Leta Theriault, Jim Mitchell, Diane Perro and David Wight

Councilor President Stan Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes

Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves as presented the August 17, 2020 Finance, Public Services and Special Council Meetings. Motion made by Councilor Brissette, seconded by Councilor May.

Approved, all in favor, 6-0

Petitions, Communications, and Citizens' Requests

Leta Theriault of 1 Heald Street on French Island addressed the Council proposing a suggestion that 2 members from Council, 2 members of Administration from the City and 2 members from French Island meet to discuss the City selling some of the City owned land, lot 189 to abutting properties on French Island. Jim Mitchell 3 Nadeau Street on French Island spoke as well, discussing lot 189 proposal for abutting landowners to purchase or own city property.

Reports

A. Council President

B. Standing Committees – Finance, Public, Administrative & Economic Services; Landfill, Legislative, Sewer, Airport & Housing sub-committees

C. City Councilors

Councilor Kyle Smart asked Bill Mayo, City Manager how long the dumpster would be on Main Street and Bill Mayo said he would check on the status of that.

D. City Attorney

E. Special Committees

F. City Manager

- Bill Mayo stated that there were 350 responses from the Downtown Survey that the Economic Committee put out to the Public. EJ Roach, Economic Development Director will be putting those results together to address the Council.
- He also told the council that St. James Church would like to hold an animal blessing on October 4 at Peace Pole Park in Old Town.
- Bill Mayo stated that EJ Roach would update the City Council on the Maine Development Foundation Grants.

VII. Consent Agenda – Items 1,2,3,4,5 & 6

- Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves a renewal application for a Malt, Vinous and Spiritous Liquor License and Special Amusement Permit for Old Town Elks Lodge # 1287, 37 Fourth Street, pending final inspection
- 2. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves a renewal application of a Lunch Wagon for Joseph Larsen, d/b/a Joes Chuck Wagon, pending final inspection.
- Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby accepts an after- deadline redemption on foreclosed property, Account #1869, for Corey Coffin located at 12 Gray's Lane for payment of the 2016-2020 Sewer fees in the total amount of \$2055.66. The City Council further authorizes the City Manager to execute a Municipal Quit-Claim Deed.
- 4. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby accepts an after-deadline redemption on foreclosed property, Account #237, for Kathy McGinn and Gretchen McGinn

located at 91 Bowdoin Ave. for payment of the 2017-2020 Sewer fees in the total amount of \$2314.48. The City Council further authorizes the City Manager to execute a Municipal Quit-Claim Deed.

- 5. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby accepts an after- deadline redemption on foreclosed property for Brian Curtin on account # 68 for 2002 and 2003 sewer fees. Mr. Curtin alleges that the 2002 and 2003 sewer amounts were paid but remain undischarged. The City records reflect that the account is current and therefore, the City Council further authorizes the City Manager to execute a Municipal Quitclaim Deed.
- 6. Resolved, the Old Town City Council authorizes the City Manager, Bill Mayo to sign the Solar Lease Agreement submitted by Dewitt Solar, LLC.

Motion made by Councilor Brissette, seconded by Councilor Smart Approved, all in favor, 6-0.

Public Hearings and Second Reading of Ordinances

Old Business

New Business Items- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

1. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves issuance of a Proclamation in observance of Constitution Week September 17th through the 23rd, sponsored by the Old Town-Orono Esther Eayers Chapters Daughters of the American Revolution.

Motion made by Councilor Folster, seconded by Councilor Brissette. **Approved**, *all in favor*, 6-0.

2. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby abates the Personal Property taxes for Acct. # 393, Super Cuts in the amount of \$379.48.

Motion made by Councilor Smart, seconded by Councilor Ketchen. Approved, all in favor, 6-0.

 Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby acknowledges and consents to the foregoing assignment of Credit Enhancement Agreement ("Assignment") by Southstreet Development Company, LLC ("Southstreet Development") to ENI 671 Stillwater Avenue LLC ("ENI").

Motion made by Councilor Ketchen, seconded by Councilor Folster. **Approved**, *all in favor*, 6-0.

4. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves granting of an Easement to Bangor Gas Company, LLC for utility purposes of installing an underground gas line located on Jefferson Street. Gas line running from Oak Street to Lincoln Street and further authorizes the City Manager to execute said Easement.

Motion made by Councilor Folster, seconded by Councilor May Approved, all in favor, 6-0.

5. Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves an application for a Minor Event Permit for the Old Town Boy Scout Troop # 76 to hold a Sailboat Regatta at Sewall Park on September 26, 2020 and to further waive the permit fees.

Motion made by Councilor Ketchen, seconded by Councilor Smart Approved, all in favor, 6-0.

6. Resolved, the City Council hereby approves going into Executive Session, pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., §405(6)(A), for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

Motion made by Councilor Smart, seconded by Councilor May Approved, all in favor, 6-0.

Executive Session

The City Council went into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m.

Resolved, the Old Town City Council discussed a Personal matter in Executive Session, pursuant to Title 1, M.R.S.A., §405(6)(A).

Motion made by Councilor Brissette, seconded by Councilor Peterson, moved to adjourn Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. *Approved, all in favor, 6-0*

XL. Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Smart, seconded by Councilor Peterson, moved to adjourn a 7:11 p.m. *Approved, all in favor, 6-0*

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Engstrom City Clerk