

**APPROVED
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
February 22, 2022
Regular Meeting - 6:30 P.M.
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street**

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Sandra Updegraph, Christopher Watkinson, Kathy Wilson and Dan Ankeles.

Councilors Absent: James Mason, Abby King and Kate Foye

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Julia Henze, Finance Director; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; and the video crew.

Councilor Ankeles opened the meeting and acknowledged the meeting had been properly noticed. He led the Pledge of Allegiance

Adjustments to Agenda - **Item 13 will be taken up before the public hearings**

Public Comments/Announcements (for items not on the agenda) NONE

MANAGER'S REPORT *(This item was discussed 6:32 p.m.)*

Manager Eldridge provided these updates.

- a) **Financial Update**
- b) **Tree Committee**
- c) **Pleasant Street**

PUBLIC HEARING

21. **The Town Council will hear public comments on a new liquor license for OneSixtyFive, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge)**
(This item was discussed 7:06 p.m.)

Full-time, Spiritous, Vinous & Malt
165 Park Row, Inc.
D/B/A: OneSixtyFive
165 Park Row

Eileen Hornor

Councilor Ankeles opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke regarding this item.

Town Council Minutes

February 22, 2022

Page 2

Citizen spoke in support of this item

Eileen Hornor, owner, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Updegraph spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Ankeles closed the public hearing.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve a liquor license application for OneSixtyFive, 165 Park Row. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

HEARING/ACTION

- 22. The Town Council will hear public comments regarding the banning of flavored tobacco in Brunswick, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Wilson)** [*\(This item was discussed 7:13 p.m.\)*](#)

Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item and there is a state law that requires us to notify tobacco retailers at least 30 days prior to the hearing, so the public hearing needs to be rescheduled.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to cancel tonight's public hearing. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to set a public hearing for April 4, 2022 for the proposed ban on flavored tobacco. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

TABLED ITEM – *This item was taken up after the Manager's Report and prior to the public hearings.)*

- 13. The Town Council will discuss "An Amendment to the Emergency Ordinance to Address the Public Health Emergency Resulting from COVID-19", set to expire on February 25, 2022, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Wilson)** [*\(This item was discussed 6:45 p.m.\)*](#)

This item was done prior to Item 22.

Councilor Ankeles and Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Wilson, Councilor Watson, Councilor Updegraph, Councilor Watkinson and Councilor Ankeles spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to repeal an "Amendment to the Emergency Ordinance to Address the Public Health Emergency Resulting from COVID-19" at conclusion end of this item and to modify the motion to adopt an "A Resolution

Authorizing Public Proceedings to Be Conducted Remotely”. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

(A copy of the public proceeding policy will be attached to the official minutes.)

NEW BUSINESS

23. The Town Council will consider a request by the Brunswick Downtown Association to waive the \$500 event fee for the 2022 Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival in August, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 7:14 p.m.\)*](#)

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Watson and Councilor Ankeles spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to approve and waive the \$500 event fee for the proposed Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival scheduled for August 20, 2022. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

24. The Town Council will consider approval of an intertidal experimental lease application per 12 MRSA §6072(3), and will take any appropriate action. (Brunswick Marine Resources Committee) [*\(This item was discussed 7:17 p.m.\)*](#)

Dan Devereaux, Coastal Resources Manager, introduced this item.

Chris Green, requestor of lease, spoke regarding this item and responded to questions from Councilor Watson.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to approve the proposed Long Reach Intertidal Experimental Aquaculture Lease Application. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

25. The Town Council will consider a “Resolution Repealing and Replacing the Resolutions Pertaining to the Special Revenue Fund for Recreation Programs”, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 7:29 p.m.\)*](#)

Manager Eldridge introduced this item and responded to questions from Councilor Watson.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt a “Resolution Repealing and Replacing the Resolutions Pertaining to the Special Revenue Fund for Recreation Programs.” The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

26. The Town Council will consider “A Resolution Authorizing an Appropriation from the Special Revenue Fund for Recreation Programs for the Purpose of Funding the

Town Council Minutes

February 22, 2022

Page 4

Purchase of Fitness Equipment and Related Fitness Room Improvements within the Recreation Center Located at Brunswick Landing”, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [\(This item was discussed 7:35 p.m.\)](#)

Manager Eldridge and Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation, spoke regarding this item and responded to questions from Councilor Updegraph, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Watson.

Councilor Updegraph moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing an Appropriation from the Special Revenue Fund for Recreation Programs for the Purpose of Funding the Purchase of Fitness Equipment and Related Fitness Room Improvements within the Recreation Center Located at Brunswick Landing.” The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

Correspondence

Councilor Wilson said she had received comments that the bell from the fire station should be placed at town hall and they want the old fire station to be used for some good reason. There was also concern about the intersection at the corner of Maine, Mere Point, and Maquoit streets since it is dangerous, especially when at the beginning and ending of the school day.

CONSENT AGENDA [\(This item was discussed 8:03 p.m.\)](#)

a) Approval of the minutes of February 7, 2022

Councilor Ankeles moved, Councilor Watson seconded Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with six (6) yeas.

Suggested motion:

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

[The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.](#)

PLEASE NOTE: THESE MINUTES ARE ACTION MINUTES. THE ENTIRE MEETING CAN BE VIEWED AT WWW.BRUNSWICKME.ORG.

*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
February 28, 2022*

March 7, 2022
Date of Approval

Council Chair