

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
May 2, 2022
Regular Meeting – 6:30 P.M.

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, Abby King, Sandra Updegraph, ,
Kate Foye, James Mason, Kathy Wilson, and Dan Ankeles

Councilors Absent: Christopher Watkinson

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Julia Henze, Finance Director; Sally Costello, Director of Economic Development; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Jody Driscoll, Human Resources Manager; Paul Hansen, Police Commander; Taylor Burns, Assessor; Ken Brilliant, Fire Chief; Jay Astle, Public Works Director; and the video crew.

Chair Mason opened the meeting and acknowledged the meeting had been properly noticed. He led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adjustments to Agenda: To do item 76 after the public hearings.

Public Comments/Announcements (for items not on the agenda) ([*This item was discussed at 6:38 p.m.*](#))

Jamie Ecker, Simpson Point Advisory Committee; Henry Heyburn, Penneville Road; and Annee Tara, Belmont Street, spoke about traffic and recommendations for speed limit changes in this area (Simpson Point, Middle Bay and Penneville).

PUBLIC HEARING

69. The Town Council will consider granting a Special Amusement license, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Clerk) ([*This item was discussed at 6:49 p.m.*](#))

Special Amusement

The Butchers & Bakers, LLC
D/B/A: The Butchers & Bakers
149 Maine Street

Marissa Stahl-Hodgkins
Steven Campbell

Chair Mason opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, introduced this item.

Chair Mason closed the public hearing.

Councilor Walker moved, Councilor Foye seconded, to approve a Special Amusement license for The Butchers & Bakers, 149 Maine Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

70. **The Town Council will hear public comments on the 2022-2023 budget and the 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([This item was discussed 7:07 p.m.](#))**

Chair Mason opened the public hearing.

Phil Potenziano, Superintendent of Schools, and Manager Eldridge, presented an overview of the budget and responded to questions from Councilor Watson, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Wilson.

The following members of the public spoke:

Kate Kalajainen, 30 Palmer Street

Linda Meranda, 143 River Road

Nate Hintze, 28 Arrowhead Drive

Sarah Singer, School Board Member District 7

Erica Harris, School Board Member District 3

Chair Mason closed public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

71. **The Town Council will consider adopting “A Resolution Appropriating up to \$150,000 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Monies to Provide a Premium Pay Stipend to Eligible Town Employees”, and will take any appropriate action. (Finance Committee) ([This item was discussed at 8:09 p.m.](#))**

Julia Henze, Finance Director, introduced this item and responded to questions from Councilor Foye, Councilor Ankeles, and Chair Mason.

Councilor Updegraph spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Foye moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Appropriating up to \$150,000 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Monies to Provide a Premium Pay Stipend to Eligible Town Employees.” The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of the adopted resolution will be attached the official minutes.)

72. **The Town Council will consider adopting “A Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a \$400,000 Maine Department of Transportation Municipal Partnership Initiative Grant for the Replacement of the Bath Road Culvert at Thompson Pond, and Authorizing Appropriation and Expenditure of \$400,000 from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Monies for the Required Local Match”, and will**

take any appropriate action. (Finance Committee) ([*This item was discussed at 8:17 p.m.*](#))

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

Chair Mason moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a \$400,000 Maine Department of Transportation Municipal Partnership Initiative Grant for the Replacement of the Bath Road Culvert at Thompson Pond, and Authorizing Appropriation and Expenditure of \$400,000 from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Monies for the Required Local Match.” The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of the adopted resolution will be attached the official minutes.)

73. The Town Council will consider adopting “A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation and Expenditure of \$120,000 from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Monies to Conduct a Hydrologic & Hydraulic Study of the Mare Brook Watershed”, and will take any appropriate action. (Finance Committee) ([*This item was discussed at 8:25 p.m.*](#))

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

Councilor Ankeles moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adopt “A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation and Expenditure of \$120,000 from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Monies to Conduct a Hydrologic & Hydraulic Study of the Mare Brook Watershed.” The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

(A copy of the adopted resolution will be attached the official minutes.)

74. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing regarding amendments to Chapter 11 Article III Marine Activities Structures and Ways, and will take any appropriate action. (Coastal Resource Manager) ([*This item was discussed at 8:28 p.m.*](#))

Dan Devereaux, Coastal Resource Manager, introduced this item.

Councilor Watson and Chair Mason spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to set a public hearing for May 16, 2022 for amendments to Chapter 11 and Appendix B Master Schedule of Revenues, Charges, Fees and Fines.

75. 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 8:36 p.m.*](#))

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Councilor Watson made the following nominations which were unanimously supported by the Council.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

- Andrew Hamilton (New) Remainder of 3-year term ending 06-01-2024

Marine Resources Committee

- Marko Melendy (Renewal) 3-year term (Non-License Holder) ending 05-01-2025

Rivers and Coastal Waters

- Doug Niven (Renewal) 3-year term, Alternate Citizen Member, ending 05-01-2025

Sewer District

- John Foster (Renewal) 3-year term ending 04-01-2025

Town Commons Committee

- Jeremy Litchfield (Renewal) 3-year term ending 03-01-2025
- Amy Brewer (New) Remainder of 3-year term ending 03-01-2024

Tree Committee

- Jane Crichton (New) Remainder of 3-year term ending 03-02-2024
- Jane Nichols-Ecker (Renewal) Remainder of 3-year term ending 03-01-2025

- 76. The Town Council will consider authorizing the painting of a Pride crosswalk on Maine Street and take any appropriate action. (Councilors Wilson, Ankeles, Foye)**
[\(This item was discussed 6:52 p.m.\)](#)

This item was done after the public hearing.

Councilor Wilson introduced this item.

Councilor Updegraph, Councilor Ankeles, and Councilor Foye spoke regarding this item.

Stacia Saniuk-Gove of Pride Brunswick Committee spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to approve the painting of a Pride crosswalk on Maine Street with the preferred location being either the crosswalk from Bank of America to Moderation Brewing or the crosswalk from Cool as a Moose to Camden National Bank. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 77. (Removed from Consent Agenda) The Town Council will consider approving Approval of a proclamation for Arbor Week, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Ankeles)**
[\(This item was done at 6:58 p.m.\)](#)

Jesse Bishop, Committee Chair, spoke regarding this item.

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Councilor Updegraph and Councilor Wilson spoke and asked questions about this item.

Councilor Ankeles moved, Councilor Foye seconded, to adopt the Arbor Day resolution. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

[\(This item was done at 7:00 p.m.\)](#)

(A copy of the adopted resolution will be attached the official minutes.)

CONSENT AGENDA *[\(This item was discussed at 8:40 p.m.\)](#)*

- a) Approval of minutes of April 4, 2022
- b) Approval of a proclamation for Arbor Week (Done Separately as item #77))

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session to discuss acquisition of real property per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C)

Chair Mason moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to go into Executive Session to discuss acquisition of property per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C) and per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E) to consult with town attorney, and to adjourn after the session. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

[The meeting went into executive session at 8:40 p.m.](#)

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*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
May 20, 2022*

*June 2, 2022
Date of approval*

Council Chair