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BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
June 21, 2021
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting - 6:30 P.M.
Council Chambers
Town Hall
85 Union Street

Councilors Present: W. David Watson, Stephen S. Walker, John M. Perreault, Dan Jenkins, Christopher Watkinson, Kate Foye, James Mason, Kathy Wilson, and Dan Ankeles.

Councilors Absent: None

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Ryan Leighton, Assistant Town Manager; Denis Wilson, Parks and Recreation Facility Manager; Julie Henze, Finance Director; Ryan Barnes, Town Engineer; Jay Astle, Public Works Director; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Ryan Barnes, Town Engineer; and TV video crew.

Chair Perreault opened the meeting and acknowledged the meeting had been properly noticed.

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

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to go into session to discuss acquisition of real property per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C). The motion carried with eight (8) yeas. Councilor Wilson arrived after the vote.

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Public Comments/Announcements (for items not on the agenda)

Richard Fisco, 2 Lincoln Street, spoke of his concern with the \$25 minimum fee for the dump in West Bath and the cost and distance that will cause trash to move.

MANAGERS REPORT *(This item was discussed 6:50 p.m.)*

a) Financial Update

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

Councilor Ankeles spoke regarding this item.

b) Solar Projects

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

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c) Pleasant Street Corridor Study

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

d) Solid Waste

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

Councilor Ankeles asked a question to which Manager Eldridge responded.

e) Traffic Alerts

Manager Eldridge gave this update.

f) (Added) ARPO funds

Sally Costello, Director of Economic Development, gave this update.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 87. The Town Council will hear public comments on a liquor license for Bangkok Garden, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 7:05 p.m.\)*](#)**

Full-Time Vinous & Malt

SP Thaifood Corporation
D/B/A: Bangkok Garden
14 Maine Street, #12

Phouangmaly Louangnam & Sonedavy Sisombath

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

Fran Smith, Town Clerk, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault closed public hearing

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Ankeles seconded, to approve a liquor license for Bangkok Garden. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 88. The Town Council will hear public comments regarding adopting an amendment on a regular basis to Simpson's Point Parking in section 15-74 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances to lengthen the "No Parking" zone on the east side of Simpsons Point Road, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 7:06 p.m.\)*](#)**

Chair Perreault opened the public hearing.

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Manager Eldridge spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Walker and Councilor Ankeles asked questions to which Manager Eldridge responded.

Chair Perreault closed public hearing

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to adopt, on a regular basis, an amendment to Simpson’s Point Parking in section 15-74 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances to lengthen the “No Parking” zone on the east side of Simpsons Point Road. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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

NEW BUSINESS

- 89. The Town Council will consider setting a public hearing for July 19, 2021, for a Zoning Ordinance text amendment regarding Lot Size Exceptions within Rural Protection (RP) Districts, and will take any appropriate action. (Planning & Development Department) [*\(This item was discussed 7:10 p.m.\)*](#)**

Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development, introduced this item.

Chair Perreault, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Ankeles asked questions, to which Mr. Panfil responded.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to set a public hearing for July 19, 2021, for an amendment to the Brunswick Zoning Ordinance, Section 4.2.5.B. (1), Lot Size Exceptions within Rural Protection (RP) Districts regarding legal nonconforming minimum lot size – for only existing lots. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

- 90. The Town Council will consider relinquishing rights to a paper street off of Bouchard Drive, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) [*\(This item was discussed 7:18 p.m.\)*](#)**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Wilson, Councilor Walker, and Councilor Watson asked questions to which Manager Eldridge responded.

Mr. Fisco spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to start the process to vacate the paper street between Bouchard Drive and Stanwood Street. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

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- 91. The Town Council will receive a summary and update on the Maine Street Streetscape project, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([This item was discussed 7:29 p.m.](#))**

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Ryan Barnes, Town Engineer, and Dennis Wilson, Parks and Recreation Facilities' Manager, spoke regarding this item.

Chair Perreault, Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Ankeles, Councilor Wilson, and Councilor Foye spoke regarding this item

Mr. Fisco spoke regarding this item.

Margo Knight, MPAC, spoke regarding this item.

Each Councilor spoke on this issue

CORRESPONDENCE

Councilor Wilson spoke regarding an upcoming dog show in Topsham on July 2nd with 1,000 dogs participating.

CONSENT AGENDA ([This item was discussed 8:45 p.m.](#))

- a) Approval of the minutes from May 17, 2021 and June 7, 2021**

Chair Perreault moved, Councilor Mason seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Walker seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with nine (9) yeas.

[The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.](#)

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*Frances M. Smith
Town Clerk
July 10, 2021*

July 19, 2021
Date of Approval

Council Chair