

Approved
BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes
August 1, 2022
Regular Meeting - 6:30 P.M.
Council Chambers
85 Union Street

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

Councilors Absent: Abby King

Town Staff Present: John S. Eldridge, III, Town Manager; Fran Smith, Town Clerk; Julia Henze, Finance Director; Matt Panfil, Director of Planning and Development; Sally Costello, Director of Economic Development; Tom Farrell, Director of Parks and Recreation; Bina Skordas, Environmental Planner; and the video crew.

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

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Public Comments/Announcements (for items not on the agenda) [*\(This item was discussed 6:32 p.m.\)*](#) NONE

MANAGER'S REPORT [*\(This item was discussed 6:33 p.m.\)*](#)

a) Nomination Papers – Town Council and School Board

Town Clerk Smith provided this update.

b) Solid Waste and Recycling

Manager Eldridge provided this update and responded to questions from Councilor Wilson and Councilor Updegraph.

c) LED Streetlight Project

Manager Eldridge provided this update and responded to questions from Councilor Updegraph.

d) Fire Station Project

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Manager Eldridge provided this update.

e) Planning Department Staffing

Manager Eldridge provided this update.

f) (ADDED) Housing Committee

Councilor Ankles provided this update.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 128. The Town Council will hear public comments and consider approval of a liquor license application for Nomad Pizza North, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Clerk) [*\(This item was discussed 6:53 p.m.\)*](#)**

**Full-Time Vinous, Spiritous & Malt
Nomad North, LLC
D/B/A: Nomad Pizza North
14 Maine Street**

**Tom Grim
Stalin Bedon**

Chair Mason opened the public hearing.

Clerk Smith introduced this item.

Chair Mason closed the public hearing.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to approve a liquor license application for Nomad Pizza North, 14 Maine Street. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 129. The Town Council will hear public comments and consider approval of a Special Amusement license application for McAvoy's on the Green, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Clerk) [*\(This item was discussed 6:55 p.m.\)*](#)**

**Special Amusement
BATS, LLC
D/B/A: McAvoy's on the Green
165 River Road**

Troy Kavanaugh

Chair Mason opened the public hearing.

Clerk Smith introduced this item.

Chair Mason closed the public hearing.

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Foye seconded, to approve a Special Amusement license application for McAvoy's on the Green, 165 River Road. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

130. The Town Council will hear public comments regarding a “Second Extension of an Emergency Moratorium on New Private Permanent Structures Piers in Intertidal Waters” on a regular and an emergency basis, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([*This item was discussed 6:57 p.m.*](#))

Chair Mason opened the public hearing.

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Larry Wold, 27 Blackstone Club Road, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Foye, Councilor Walker, Councilor Updegraph, and Councilor Watkinson spoke regarding this motion.

Helene Harrower, Paul's Marine and Rivers & Coastal Waters Commission, spoke and responded to questions from Councilor Watson.

Tim Forrester, working with Mr. Wold, spoke regarding this item.

Director Panfil spoke regarding this item.

Chair Mason closed the public hearing.

Councilor Watson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded to do the following: 1) to not extend the moratorium, 2) to end it starting August 2 and 3) to direct the Town Manager to come back with proposed ordinance changes within ninety (90) days. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

NEW BUSINESS:

131. The Town Council will consider setting a September 6, 2022 public hearing concerning a proposed location change from the Brunswick Junior High School to the Recreation Center on Brunswick Landing, to serve as Brunswick's only polling location, and will take any appropriate action. (Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Updegraph and Councilor Wilson) ([*This item was discussed 7:35 p.m.*](#))

Clerk Smith introduced this item.

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Phil Potenziano, Superintendent of Schools, and Laurie Catanese, Junior High School Principal, spoke regarding this item.

Councilor Watkinson, Councilor Wilson , Councilor Foye, Councilor Ankles, Councilor Updegraph, Councilor Watson, and Chair Mason either spoke or asked questions, or both of Clerk Smith, Superintendent Potenziano and Principal Cantanese.

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded, to set a public hearing for September 6, 2022, regarding proposed change to the Recreation Center for the town's only polling location. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 132. The Town Council will consider adoption of a “Community Resilience Partnership” resolution as part of Maine’s Climate Action Plan, Maine Won’t Wait, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager John Eldridge, Environmental Planner Bina Skordas) [\(This item was discussed 8:31 p.m.\)](#)**

Bina Skordas, Environmental Planner, introduced this item.

Councilor Watson spoke regarding this ite.

Councilor Wilson moved, Councilor Watkinson seconded, to adopt the “Community Resilience Partnership” resolution. The motion passed with eight (8) yeas.

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

- 133. The Town Council will consider approving the use of the Pine Street bike trail connection to Allagash Drive as a temporary means of allowing vehicle access to the Tower site at Brunswick Executive Airport and also consider an extension of Wilson Avenue to the Tower Site, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager John Eldridge, Director of Economic Development Sally Costello) [\(This item was discussed 8:36 p.m.\)](#)**

Director Costello, introduced this item

Councilor Watson, Councilor Ankles, Councilor Watkinson, and Chair Mason asked questions to which Director Costello and Manager Eldridge responded.

Chair Mason spoke regarding this item.

Chair Mason moved, Councilor Ankles seconded, to table this item until the August 15, 2022, meeting. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

- 134. The Town Council will consider a request to adjust the compensation of the Brunswick Sewer District Trustees, and will take any appropriate action. (Finance Committee) [\(This item was discussed 9:15 p.m.\)](#)**

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Councilor Watkinson introduced this item.

Councilor Watson spoke regarding this item.

Director Henze responded to questions from Chair Mason, Councilor Watson, and Councilor Updegraph.

Councilor Watkinson moved, Councilor Wilson seconded to adjust the maximum annual compensation of the Board of Trustees of the Brunswick Sewer District as proposed. The motion carried with six (6) yeas. Councilor Ankeles and Councilor Walker abstained.

The amounts were as follows:

- Board Stipend: \$3,000 per year
- Chairperson Stipend: Additional \$600 per year
- Treasurer Stipend: Additional \$300 per year
- Vice Chair Stipend: Additional \$300 per year

135. The Town Council will consider ratifying a Purchase and Sales agreement for land and buildings at 129 Harpswell Road, authorizing the Town Manager to execute any and all documents related to the sale, and will take any appropriate action. (Town Manager Eldridge) ([This item was discussed 9:29 p.m.](#))

Manager Eldridge introduced this item.

Councilor Watson asked questions to which Director Henze responded.

Chair Mason moved, Councilor Ankles seconded, to ratify the purchase and sales agreement, and to authorize the Town Manager to execute a quit-claim deed to the prospective purchaser and execute any other documents required to complete the sale. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

CONSENT AGENDA ([This item was discussed 9:33 p.m.](#))

a) Approval of a Utility Location Permit (ULP) requested by Central Maine Power

Councilor Ankles moved, Councilor Foye seconded, to approved the consent agenda. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session to discuss Union Negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D)

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Chair Mason moved, Councilor Watson seconded, to go into executive session to discuss Union Negotiations per 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(D) and to adjourn after the executive session. The motion carried with eight (8) yeas.

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Frances M. Smith

Town Clerk

August 4, 2022

August 15, 2022

Date of Approval

Council Chair