Town Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 25th, 2015

Roll Call: Michael Perkins, Chairman Dana Wrigley

Byron Wrigley, Sr. Mark Fisher Absent: Don Borman

Others present: Gary Bowman, Town Manager Janice Porter, Town Clerk

Peter McGuire, Sentinel Reporter Jon Cox

Ned Hammond Brad Jackson, KRDA Executive

Director

Business Agenda:

1. It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the meeting held February 11, 2015, and to sign the disbursement warrants.

2. The town received three (3) bids for the printing of the annual Town Report.

Skowhegan Press \$1,224.00 Express Copy \$1,596.00 RN Haskins \$1,687.00

It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Byron Wrigley, Sr., and voted 4-0 to award Skowhegan Press (low bidder) in the amount of \$1,224.00.

3. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 4-0 to approve the first reading of the proposed amendment to the "Itinerant Vendor Ordinance" Section 1.5 Exceptions – Itinerant vendors who are participating in a Town sponsored event are exempt from the fee and application process set forth within this Ordinance.

Managers Report:

1. Kennebec Regional Development Authority, Executive Director Brad Jackson, presented strategic goals for Central Maine's Economic Development. Mr. Jackson stated that KRDA should become a multi-functional, multi capable public authority doing multiple projects in central Maine, not just focusing on selling real estate in FirstPark. He outlined a plan to transform KRDA from an organization leasing and selling space at FirstPark to a multi-purpose agency that could drive economic development regionally.

- From now through mid-summer Mr. Jackson will present KRDA's strategic objectives to all member communities.
- 2. Council members received the Public Library's January Monthly report. The library will hold an Open House on March 17th, 11:00 am until 2:00 pm, in celebration of its' 100th birthday.
- 3. The Manager noted that property taxes have been paid in full on the foreclosed property located at 145 Oak Street. No further action required.

Other:

Ned Hammond - Training Space

Friends of Messalonskee have been chosen by the DEP and Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program to host a 2 day Diver Training Program for Invasive Species in Oakland. Mr. Hammond stated that training will require classroom space tentatively scheduled for mid-June. Councilor Perkins offered his business classroom and the town will check on the possible availability of the Fire Station meeting room.

Kennebec County Budget Meeting

County budget meeting will be held on March 4, 2015 at 5:30 pm at the Benton Town Office.

Adjournment: It was moved by Byron Wrigley, Sr., seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 4-0 to adjourn at 7:00 pm.