

Town Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday December 28th, 2016

Roll Call: Michael Perkins, Chairman Dana Wrigley Byron Wrigley
Donald Borman Mark Fisher

Others: Gary Bowman, Town Manager Janice Porter, Town Clerk
Charles Sweigart Ramona Freeman Bill Lee
Jon Cox Doug Harlow, Sentinel Reporter
Harold Buzzell Kathy Geaghan, Tax Assessor
Andrea Thomas Makyla Wilson Jeremy Lizzotte
Ronald Bridges Tyler Pellerin Emma Libby
Bobby McGee Rachel McGee Giden McGee
Naomi McGee Dan Duperry Ethan Duperry
Nathan Wrigley Chuck Wrigley Amanda Hester
Jordan Wrigley Douglas Mather, Finance Director
and many more relatives of Byron Wrigley, Sr.

Business Agenda:

1. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 5-0 to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 14th, 2016, and to sign the disbursement warrant.
2. Max Marston, was elected by secret ballot, to fill the vacancy on the Budget Advisory Committee. Mr. Marston will fill the remaining term of office recently vacated by Harold Buzzell, term expiring in December 2019.
3. Council members voted 5-0 to enact an "Ordinance Prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Retail Marijuana Social Clubs in the Town of Oakland". The vote does not prohibit the legal use and the legal cultivation of marijuana as approved by Maine voters in November. Andrea Thomas voiced her concerns over the enactment of the ordinance. Ms. Thomas stated that there are many people in this community that need this. Councilor Perkins stated that the Council is "erring on the side of caution" for the town until the state figures out how to regulate the law. Mr. Perkins stated that the town would revisit the ban if residents petition to do so.
4. Council members signed a Quit Claim Deed releasing to Karen Beaulieu property located at 13 Audrey Lane. The town had acquired its interest in said parcel of land through automatic foreclosure of a lien dated recorded in Book 11046 Page 0106.

5. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 to authorize the Town Manager to include a 1.5% COLA within the 2017-2018 budget numbers to be discussed at the upcoming budget meetings.
6. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Byron Wrigley and voted 5-0 to approve of the updated schedule of permit fees. Councilor Borman encouraged researching other areas that might possibly be a source of additional revenue for the town.

Other:

Council members and the Town Manager presented a plaque to Byron Wrigley, Sr., acknowledging his years of dedication to the town of Oakland serving as a member of the Town Council. Byron's family members were in attendance to help celebrate and honor Byron. Byron introduced family members and enjoyed cake with everyone.

Adjournment: It was moved by Byron Wrigley, Sr., seconded by Dana Wrigley and voted 5-0 to adjourn at 6:30 pm