## **Town Council Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday - December 15th, 2015

Roll Call: Michael Perkins, Chairman Dana Wrigley Donald Borman

Byron Wrigley, Sr. Mark Fisher

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

Douglas Mather, Finance Director Bonnie Sears

**Sherry Gilbert** 

**Business Agenda:** 

- It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 5-0 approving the minutes of the meeting held December 9th 2015, and to sign the disbursement warrants.
- 2. Councilors provided their guidance regarding the upcoming Budget cycle. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 to approve placing a 1% COLA increase into the 2016-2017 budget. Finance Director, Douglas Mather, reported the upcoming budget will see that excise tax collection is up, fuel prices are down, workers comp is going down through 2017, the 53<sup>rd</sup> week will come out of the budget and the actual increase in health insurance cost is only \$2,203. All of those items will have an affect on the 2016-2017 budget in a positive way.
- 3. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Byron Wrigley, Sr., and voted 5-0 approving the first reading of the penalty for violating the Rice Rips Road and the Town Farm Road thru truck violations.
- 4. Police Station Borrowing Proposals Three (3) banks submitted proposals for funding the \$900,000 construction project of the new Police Station as follows: Skowhegan Savings @ 3.10%, Camden National Bank @ 3.59%, and Androscoggin Bank @ 3.72% It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 approving the low bid of Skowhegan Savings at a rate of 3.10% for funding the project.
- 5. Ballistic Vests It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,100, from Kevin Joseph, Diane Joseph and David Libby. Said donation is for the purchase of three (3) ballistic vests for the town's police department.
- 6. Social Media Policy It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 5-0 approving the "Communications & Social Media Policy" effective immediately.

Adjournment – It was moved by Byron Wrigley, Sr., seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 to adjourn at 4:35 pm.