

## Town Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Council members present: Michael Perkins, Chairman  
Harold Buzzell Dana Wrigley Donald Borman  
Robert Nutting

Others present: Gary Bowman, Town Manager  
Jon Cox Janice Porter, Town Clerk  
Kelly Roderick

### Business Agenda:

1. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to approve the minutes of the meetings held on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and to sign the disbursement warrant.
2. Councilors were prepared to speak with Mr. Ames regarding the foreclosure property located at 10 Ten Lots Road. On December 2, 2017, the town foreclosed on property located at 10 Ten Lots Road, Map/Lot 027-019-3, 98 acres, as the result of an unpaid 2015-2016 tax lien. The Town Manager stated that he would attempt to inspect the property to find any existing pin(s) that would help to decipher dimensions of the lot. Councilors questioned whether there would be an advantage to selling the property now or waiting until later to make a decision. Council members discussed our current "Tax Acquired Property" policy. Councilor Nutting stated that the town should have an ordinance in place that would dictate how foreclosure property is disposed of and what the procedure would be for monies received in excess of tax dollars owed. The Manager agreed to review this information.
3. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Harold Buzzell and voted 5-0 to support the Down Town "business event" as an annual event that would be promoted by OakFest. The 2017 event was well attended by local businesses and the general public. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Harold Buzzell and voted 5-0 authorizing the use of the town parking lot off Main/Center Street for use by the Downtown group to hold their after hour's "business event". The Manager will contact MMA to ensure that the additional day of activity is covered under our blanket of insurance and that there would be no extra cost to the town. The Oakfest celebration will be held the weekend of July

27<sup>th</sup> thru July 29<sup>th</sup>. The after hour's business event (late afternoon) would be held prior to that weekend.

4. Councilors signed the sewer commitment for the user period October thru December 2017 in the amount of \$137,047.51.

Managers Report:

1. Councilors received the December Library Report.
2. The Manager reported that there would be a small increase in the 2018 MMA's municipal member dues. Their adopted budget calls for an average 1% increase in membership dues thus the towns' annual cost will be \$6,257.
3. The Manager reported that the Waterfront music series will have fourteen (14) events starting in June through September. Music will be played every Thursday by various individuals/bands with the high school band jump starting the season of events. Recreation Director, Eric Seekins, has raised \$8,250 in donations, specifically to fund the events being held.
4. The Manager reported that he has found an individual (Phil Curtis) to serve as Moderator of the May Town Meeting. Inasmuch as Robert Nutting now serves on the Council the town needed to prepare for that transition.

Other:

Executive Session: Discussion of confidential records – 1 M.R.S.A. Section 405(6) (F) Not needed. No action taken.

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