

## Town Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Roll Call: Michael Perkins, Chairman    Dana Wrigley                      Robert Nutting  
                 Harold Buzzell                      Donald Borman

Others: Gary Bowman, Town Manager                      Janice Porter, Town Clerk  
                 Douglas Mather, Finance Director                      Michael Tracy, Police Chief  
                 Gene Richards, Sergeant                      Adam Sirois, Sergeant  
                 Kelly Hooper, Officer                      Toby Blodgett, Officer  
                 Rick Stubbert, Captain                      Nickolas Von Husen

### Business Agenda:

1. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 approving the minutes of the meetings held on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018, and signing the weekly disbursement warrant.
2. Council members were introduced to the new Police Officers and newly promoted Sergeants. Gene Richards (Officer) and Adam Sirois (past School Resource Officer) have recently been promoted to Sergeants in the department. Recent hires for the department included: Officer Kelly Hooper, Officer Toby Blodgett and Officer Nickolas Von Husen.
3. It was moved by Donald Borman seconded by Dana Wrigley and voted 5-0 to approve the balances carried forward as of June 30, 2018 in the amount of \$363,631.00. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 to approve the Code Enforcement over drafted 2017-2018 budget in the amount of \$7,417.
4. Councilors were advised that there was no need to appoint an interim Assessor at this time. The Assessor's leave has been postponed.
5. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 approving the 2018-2019 rental of Memorial Hall to Scott Steven's dance studio. Councilors agreed to keep the weekly rental amount at \$400.00, contingent upon his agreement that he will not increase his prices for his weekly student lessons.
6. It was moved by Harold Buzzell seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 authorizing Shawn Marquis, of Brookwood Realty, to advertise the sale of the towns' land and building located at 97 Church Street. After posting the listing there is a period of ten

(10) days that there are no offers submitted. Thus, allows for those individuals that might be interested to inspect/view the property prior to offers being submitted. Mr. Marquis has agreed to a 5% commission for the sale. Councilors made no decisions, at this time, on the building itself as far as maintenance requirements. However, it was noted that maintenance of the building is critical but agreed currently there is not a violation of the towns Property Maintenance Ordinance.

Managers Report:

1. Councilor Nutting reported that a total of 3,000 Comprehensive Plan Community Surveys were mailed. At this time 200 (+-) have been returned. The committee is hoping to re-advertise information about the survey for additional participation. The surveys thus far have been very positive indicating an interest in completing the Plan. It is hoped that the Plan will be ready for a vote next summer.
2. The Manager reported that Oakfest Saturday's attendance was the largest thus far. Even with the rain on Friday night the parade continued with lots of spectators.
3. The Manager reported that the proposed Fire Station planning stages are proceeding well. The Facilities Committee will have a referendum question ready for review at a meeting of the Town Council and Budget and Advisory Members on Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. The referendum question must be voted on at the November 6<sup>th</sup> election.

Other:

1. Councilor Borman presented "The Dams Keeper Report", of which he is a member. The report states that Long, Salmon, and McGrath are all experiencing lower than expected water levels as a result of this summer's drought.

Adjournment: It was moved by Harold Buzzell seconded by Dana Wrigley and voted 5-0 to adjourn at 6:50 pm.