

BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2010
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE

1. Mayor Jeff Robinson called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeff Robinson, David Keene, Brian Leeman, Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

No minutes to be considered.
4. Receive correspondence and documents
 - a. Treasurer's Warrants September 2010
-Council members received copies of Treasurer's Warrants for the month of September 2010. Town Manager asked that questions or concerns be directed to himself or the Finance Director.
 - b. Financial Reports for the period ending 9-30-2010
-Council members received copies of the Financial Reports ending 9-30-2010. Town Manager noted no concerns, and asked that questions or concerns be directed to himself or the Finance Director.
 - c. Proposed changes to the General Assistance Ordinance
-Council members received proposed changes to the General Assistance Ordinance for their review and consideration at the next council meeting after a public hearing is held.
 - d. Letter from the State Planning Office regarding Maine Uniform Building Code
-Council members received a copy of the letter from the State Planning Office regarding Maine Uniform Building Code for their review, and will take this item up at a later date.
 - e. Departmental Reports for September 2010
-Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
 - f. Fiscal News
-Council members received a copy of the Fiscal News shared by Senator Richard Rosen.

5. Consider introducing an ordinance to convey an easement to the Bucksport Regional Health Center

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance to convey an easement to the Bucksport Regional Health Center.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2011-46 approving refinancing of loan for the CSO building and structures with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-46.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2011-47 regarding request from Verso to extend an existing TIF and to establish a new TIF district

Mayor Jeff Robinson asked if any Councilors had 10% stock with Verso, or holds an office with the Company, pursuant to the Town Ordinance before voting on Resolve #R-2011-47. All councilors were able to vote.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-47.

Vote In Favor: Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeff Robinson, David Keene, Brian Leeman.

Opposed: Michael Ormsby, Robert Howard

Vote: 5 - 2 Favorable

Michael Ormsby suggested 65% Verso, and 35% Town.

Byron Vinton indicated that he would go with 70% Verso, and 30% Town.

Jeff Robinson said he sees the mill as a good neighbor, employing more and more Bucksport residents, and supports full cooperation with the 75% Verso, and 25% Town.

Mike Hawes, Plant Manager of Verso-Bucksport Mill thanked the Council for their support in the new project.

8. Consider Resolve #R-2011-48 referring Solid Waste Flow Ordinance and Solid Waste Licensing Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-48.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2011-49 regarding Senior Tax Work Program

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Robert Howard and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-49.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2011-50 awarding bid for town dock improvements
It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-50.
11. Consider Resolve #R-2011-51 authorizing write-off for uncollectible ambulance charges
It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-51.
12. Consider Resolve #R-2011-52 establishing a committee to provide recommendations regarding improvements to the animal shelter
It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-52.
13. Consider Resolve #R-2011-53 accepting a grant from the Maine Forest Service
It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-53.
14. Consider Resolve #R-2011-54 awarding contract for a forest management plan for the Silver Lake properties
It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-54.
15. Consider Resolve #R-2011-55 regarding electronic payments
It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-55.
16. Issue licenses or permits, if any
No licenses or permits to be issued.
17. Hear report from Town Manager
 - a. Townsite Drainage Project
-All piping work will be completed by October 15th. The contractor still has to set all of the manhole tops and reclaim and pave the streets.
Seriously considering at this time not having the surface coat placed this

fall; may suggest waiting until next spring. The project should be completed by October 31st.

- b. Miles Lane Trail
 - Pine Tree Engineering has started their work on the trail master plan, and expects they should have preliminary plans for the Town Council to review by the November Town Council meeting. The Public Works Director has started to layout the new trail extension on the upper portion of the so-called Buck Estate property, the wetlands have been identified and currently working on the application to be submitted to the Department of Conservation due November 5, 2010.
- c. Annual Town Report
 - Town Report is completed with the exception of the audit report, and hoping to receive it by the end of October. This year's report will recognize Allen Gordon for his years of service on the Planning Board and Marvin Gray for his years of service at the Highway Department.
- d. Silver Lake Boat Landing
 - Waiting for the final schematic from Mike Millett. An additional survey had to be completed in order to address the recommendations of the committee. Hopefully will have a plan for the committee to review by the beginning of November.
- e. Building and Facility Inspections
 - Have completed almost all of the building and facility inspections. Should have them completed by next week.
- f. Highway Improvements
 - Highway Department will be getting Spofford Avenue ready for pavement next week, and expect it to be paved by October 29th. Once the winter sand is all in, the crew will begin to gravel a quarter of a mile on the Upper Long Pond Road, which is scheduled for reconstruction. All of the ditching has been completed on the section of road
- g. Waterfront Improvements
 - The landscape architect has started to put together some ideas for improving the westerly end of the walkway. Should have plans for the waterfront committee to look at in the next several weeks.
- h. Veterans' Memorial
 - All Town related work would be completed on the memorial by the end of the week. A dedication ceremony has been scheduled for Saturday, October 23rd at 3:30 P.M.
- i. Pellet Boiler

-Will be firing up the Pellet Boiler within the next week or two. It is quite a unit, and if you get a chance stop in to see it.

18. Discussion items

Town Manager reported that Gene Berry has invited the council to take a tour of his facility at the Heritage Park, and ask council members to come up with a date and time.

Ordinance Committee meetings on Monday, October 18th at 6:00 P.M., and Monday, October 25th at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Office.

All Council members signed the quarterly Sewer Commitment.

19. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes
Council Secretary