

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL – MAY 9, 2019

1. Call Meeting To Order

Mayor Stewart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Councilors Present: Mark Eastman, Paul Bissonnette, David Kee, Peter Stewart, Daniel Ormsby, Paul Gauvin, Robert Carmichael, Jr.

Councilors Absent: None

3. Presentation of any Town Council Recognitions

a. Heart & Soul – Legislative Sentiment

Town Manager Lessard recited a sentiment from Senator Kimberly Rosen and the Maine Legislature honoring Heart & Soul; a group that collects individual and group values, interests, and dreams from all members of the community in order to guide decisions for Bucksport.

4. Consider minutes of previous meetings

- a. Town Council Minutes 4/25/19
- b. Town Council Minutes 7/2/15
- c. Town Council Minutes 7/9/15
- d. Town Council Minutes 7/30/15
- e. Town Council Minutes 8/11/15
- f. Town Council Minutes 8/13/15
- g. Town Council Minutes 8/18/15
- h. Town Council Minutes 8/19/15
- i. Town Council Minutes 8/27/15
- j. Town Council Minutes 9/10/15
- k. Town Council Minutes 9/24/15
- l. Town Council Minutes 10/7/15
- m. Town Council Minutes 10/8/15
- n. Town Council Minutes 10/29/15
- o. Town Council Minutes 11/16/15
- p. Town Council Minutes 12/10/15
- q. Town Council Minutes 3/17/16
- r. Town Council Minutes 3/24/16
- s. Town Council Minutes 4/7/16
- t. Town Council Minutes 4/14/16
- u. Town Council Minutes 4/21/16
- v. Town Council Minutes 4/28/16
- w. Town Council Minutes 5/12/16
- x. Town Council Minutes 5/26/16

Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Ormsby seconded to approve the above listed minutes.

Motion Passed 7-0

5. Receive and review correspondence and documents

- a. Police Call to Verona – 4-27-19 – *Noted.*

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6. Ordinances to Consider/Introduce

- a. Second Reading – Article 4, Weight Limits & Restrictions
- b. Second Reading – Council Rules Update
- c. Second Reading – Proposed Charter Change - Attendance

*Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Ormsby seconded to hold a public hearing for all three of the above listed readings at the next meeting on May 23. **Motion Passed 7-0***

7. Discussion Items (Manager Clarification and Direction, or Council Discussion and/or Input on Issues)

- a. Infrastructure Committee Update

Councilor Carmichael gave the Council an update on behalf of the Infrastructure Committee. The committee was given a presentation by Lewis & Malm Architecture detailing the historical society building project. They also discussed the town's trash trailer repair proposal and the Route 46 plowing contract. A request for benches/bathroom facility on the Miles Lane Trails and a request for a purchase of property on the Racecourse Road will be discussed at the next meeting on May 23.

- b. \$235,000 loan to RSU 25 (Approved as Resolve 2019-19)

Town Manager Lessard explained that the \$235,000 loan from the town to RSU #25 has already been voted on, and that this agenda item was simply a courtesy to the Council letting them know that RSU #25 has completed all the necessary requirements to receive the funds.

8. Agenda Items

- a. To approve Resolve 2019-45 for refurbishing the trash hauling trailer at the Transfer Station

*Councilor Carmichael moved and Councilor Ormsby seconded to approve Resolve 2019-45. **Motion Passed 7-0***

- b. To approve Resolve 2019-46 to award the Route 46 winter maintenance contract

*Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Bissonnette seconded to approve Resolve 2019-46. **Motion Passed 7-0***

9. Resignations, Appointments, Assignments, and Elections

None at this time.

10. Approval of Quit Claims, Discharges, and Deeds

- a. Brenda Snow Gamble, Map 32 Lot 60, tax liens 2013-2017
- b. Gary & Lisa Garzarelli, Map 5 Lot 35, tax liens 2014-2017
- c. (Heirs of) Kevin Low, Map 19 Lot 46, tax lien 2016
- d. Erin Marshall, Map 43 Lot 7, tax lien 2017
- e. Erin Marshall, Map 43 Lot 7-1, tax lien 2017
- f. Erin Marshall, Map 43 Lot 8, tax lien 2017
- g. Max Corwin & Katherine Corwin, Map 1 Lot 92, 2012 Sewer Lien

Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Ormsby seconded to approve the above listed Quit Claim

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Deeds. Motion Passed 7-0

11. Town Manager Report

A copy of the Town Manager's Report is attached hereto and is made apart of these minutes.

12. Set Public Hearings, and/or Hold Public Hearings and Approval of any Licenses or Permits

- a. Innkeepers License – Bucksport Motor Inn

Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Eastman seconded to approve the renewal of the innkeeper's license for the Bucksport Motor Inn. Motion Passed 6-1 (Kee)

- b. GRR, Inc. Extension of Liquor License

Councilor Carmichael moved and Councilor Gauvin seconded to approve the extension of liquor license for GRR, Inc. Motion Passed 7-0

- c. Subway, Food Service Business License

Councilor Ormsby moved and Councilor Gauvin seconded to approve the renewal of the food service's license for Subway. Motion Passed 7-0

- d. Public Hearing – Katherine Warren d/b/a Warren's Waterfront Restaurant, Inc. Liquor License

Mayor Stewart opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m. Councilor Gauvin questioned whether the restaurant will be open year-round, to which Mrs. Warren replied that it would. Mayor Stewart closed the public hearing at 7:21 p.m. Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Ormsby seconded to approve the first-time business license and liquor license for Warren's Waterfront Restaurant. Motion Passed 7-0

Brook Minner approached the Council for permission to hold a fundraising dinner for Main Street Bucksport on land near the town gazebo. She explained that the event will be a seated dinner where alcohol will be served. Mayor Stewart expressed concern with the lack of security at the event. Councilor Carmichael moved and Councilor Gauvin seconded to grant permission to Main Street Bucksport to hold the fundraising dinner on the land near the town gazebo. Motion Passed 4-3 (Bissonnette, Stewart, Ormsby)

13. Discussion of Items Not on the Agenda for Council and Public

Economic Development Director Rich Rotella congratulated Katherine and David Warren on the soon-to-be opening of their new restaurant located in what was formerly the Harbor View Grille. He also explained to the Council that he had attended a poetry contest at one of the local schools, and praised the students for their hard work and achievements.

Councilor Kee encouraged the Council to support small businesses in town and make them feel welcome.

Resident Donald White approached the Council and stated that Silver Lake Stables will be donating used grain bags for the trash cleanup day. He further stated that the group interested in banning single-use plastic bags will be showing the free film, "Bag It The Movie: Is Your Life Too Plastic" at the Bucksport

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United Methodist Church on May 14. He further stated that they will also be showing the film on May 24 at the Lighthouse Arts Center.

Town Manager Lessard updated the Council on the abatement request submitted by AIM. She explained that the appraisal came back, and that the town has abated \$10 million in value for the 2018-2019 tax year.

Larry Wahl approached the Council and stated that he has started doing some site work at Wilson Hall, and that he hopes to start on the interior soon.

14. Upcoming Public Hearings, Designation of Topics for Committee Assignment, and Scheduling of Committee Meeting

- a. Infrastructure – Next meeting will be May 23 at 6:30 p.m.

15. Budget Review

- a. Education

RSU #25 Superintendent Jim Boothby presented the Council with the district’s proposed school budget. He encouraged all present to attend the District Budget Meeting, which will be held in the Bucksport Middle School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on May 29.

- b. Outside Agency Funding

The Council established the level of funding that they will be granting to various community and social agencies. They are:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Amount Request</i>	<i>Council Decision</i>
<i>Buck Memorial Library</i>	<i>\$14,000</i>	<i>\$14,000</i>
<i>Friends of Fort Knox</i>	<i>\$1,800</i>	<i>\$1,800</i>
<i>Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce</i>	<i>\$9,000</i>	<i>\$9,000</i>
<i>Bucksport Bay Festival</i>	<i>\$15,000</i>	<i>\$12,327</i>
<i>Wednesday’s on Main</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>
<i>Main Street Bucksport</i>	<i>\$20,000</i>	<i>\$20,000</i>
<i>Downeast Community Partners</i>	<i>\$31,629</i>	<i>\$1,500</i>
<i>Bucksport Community Concerns</i>	<i>\$4,500</i>	<i>\$4,500</i>
<i>Downeast Transportation</i>	<i>\$3,592</i>	<i>\$3,592</i>
<i>Eastern Area Agency on Aging</i>	<i>\$2,500</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Child Care Center</i>	<i>\$2,000</i>	<i>\$2,000</i>
<i>Bucksport Healthy Communities Coalition</i>	<i>\$15,000</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Senior Citizens’ Group</i>	<i>\$6,000</i>	<i>\$6,000</i>
<i>Yesterday’s Children</i>	<i>\$300</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Hospice of Hancock</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
<i>Community Health & Counseling Services</i>	<i>\$2,273</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Lifeflight Foundation</i>	<i>\$1,231</i>	<i>\$1,231</i>
<i>HOME</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>
<i>Maine Family Planning – WIC</i>	<i>\$4,815</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<i>Families First Community Center</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Red Cross</i>	<i>\$2,500</i>	<i>\$2,500</i>

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<i>Home Health Hospice – EMHS</i>	<i>\$250</i>	<i>\$250</i>
<i>Open Door Recovery Center</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>\$500</i>
<i>Health Equity Alliance</i>	<i>\$500</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>TOTALS</i>	<i>\$148,890</i>	<i>\$90,700</i>

c. Overall Review

Town Manager Lessard gave a presentation giving an overall review of the budget.

Councilor Carmichael questioned where we stand on expanding our internet service, to which Town Manager Lessard responded that it's an ongoing project.

16. Adjournment

Councilor Gauvin moved and Councilor Kee seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion Passed 7-0

ATTEST: 
Jacob R. Gran, Town Clerk