



HAMPDEN TOWN COUNCIL
HAMPDEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MINUTES

MONDAY

JULY 1, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Attending:

*Mayor McPike
Councilor Ryder
Councilor Wilde
Councilor Marble
Councilor Wright
Councilor Jarvi
Councilor McAvoy*

*Attorney Ed Bearor
Town Clerk Paula Scott
DPW Director Currier
Rec Director Shelley Abbot
Levi Husson
Family of Levi Husson
Phil Stack
Lois Stack
BDN Reporter*

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

- A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – *Mayor McPike led the Pledge of Allegiance*
- B. CONSENT AGENDA** – *Councilor McAvoy made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wright, to approve the consent agenda. Unanimous, 7-0.*

Resolution 2019-98

1. SIGNATURES

2. SECRETARY'S REPORTS

- a. June 3rd, 2019 meeting minutes**
b. June 17th, 2019 meeting minutes

3. COMMUNICATIONS

4. REPORTS

- a. Finance & Administration Committee Minutes – 06-03-2019**
b. Infrastructure Committee Minutes - None
c. Planning & Development Committee Minutes - None
d. Services Committee Minutes - None

- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – *Phil Stack of 1153 Kennebec Rd. was recognized by the chair. He spoke to the condition of the house across the road from his house and passed out a photo for Council to review. He stated that it is in a state of disrepair, the*

NOTE: The Council will take a 5-minute recess at 8:00 pm.

roof is half off, it is structurally unsound, and there is trash and refuse all around the building. He stated that he looked at the Towns of Winslow, Bangor, Rumford, Augusta and others and they all have ordinances that set out standards for upkeep of property. He believes his property values are affected by the condition of this house which has been abandoned and is now owned by the USDA. He asked the Council to consider instituting some sort of property maintenance ordinance. Councilor Wright stated that this has been discussed in the past but that there are no ordinances at this time that speak to it. She stated that Council will likely be looking at sample ordinances. Councilor Jarvi thanked Mr. Stack for coming and invited him to come to the July 17th Planning & Development meeting so that this could take its natural course.

D. POLICY AGENDA

1. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS

a. Recognition of Eagle Scout Levi Husson – Mayor McPike
recognized Levi Husson and thanked him for the work done on the Bocchi ball court for the benefit of the public. He noted his accomplishments in both Scouting and in giving back to the community. Levi spoke about the process from inception to completion. Mayor McPike thanked him on behalf of the Council and the town. Councilor Wright echoed thanks.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

3. NOMINATIONS – APPOINTMENTS – ELECTIONS

a. Town Council's confirmation of annual appointments of designated Town of Hampden officials - pursuant Title 30-A § 2526(2) –
Councilor Wright made a motion, seconded by Councilor Marble, to confirm the annual appointments of designated Town of Hampden officials as set out by charter. Unanimous, 7-0.0

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Councilor Marble requested the executive session be conducted prior to items D – 2-f, g & h. Mayor McPike confirmed that the executive session would be taken out of order.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Council Order 2019-03 Permitting Disbursement of Employee Wages and State Fees – annual policy renewal – Councilor Marble

made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jarvi to approve Council Order 2019-03 Permitting Disbursement of Employee Wages and State fees and to continue with Councilor Wright or Councilor Wilde as the off-week signers. Unanimous, 7-0.

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- b. Council Order 2019-04 Authorizing the Application of Property Tax Payments – annual policy renewal** – Councilor Jarvi made a motion, seconded by Councilor McAvoy to approve Council Order 2019-04 Authorizing the Application of Property Tax Payments. Unanimous, 7-0.

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- c. Council Order 2019-05 Establishing Procedures for the Receipt of Gifts, Donations and Funds from Outside Sources – annual policy renewal** – Councilor Jarvi made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wright to approve Council Order 2019-05 Establishing Procedures for the Receipt of Gifts, Donations and Funds from Outside Sources. Unanimous, 7-0.

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- d. Council determination of rate of interest to be applied to delinquent tax payments – pursuant to Title 36 MRSA Section 505.4** – Councilor Wright made a motion, seconded by Councilor McAvoy, to set the rate of interest to be applied to delinquent tax payments at 9%. Unanimous, 7 – 0.

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- e. Setting the tax due dates** – Councilor Wright made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jarvi to set the tax due dates as October 2nd, 2019 and April 1st of 2020. Unanimous, 7-0.

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- f. Acceptance of the resignation and resignation agreement of Town Manager Jim Chandler** – Councilor Wright made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jarvi, to accept the resignation and resignation agreement of Town Manager Jim Chandler. Unanimous, 7-0.

Councilor Wright publicly thanked Jim for his leadership and guidance on the budget.

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- g. Appointment of Paula Scott as Interim Town Manager** – *Councilor Ryder made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wilde, to appoint Paula Scott as Interim Town Manager. Unanimous, 7-0.*

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- h. Appointment of Paula Scott as Interim Treasurer** – *Councilor Wilde made a motion, seconded by Councilor Wright, to appoint Paula Scott as Interim Treasurer. Unanimous, 7-0.*

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E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Admin – Councilor Wright reported that the committee did not meet this week, but the audit review will be on July 15th

Infrastructure – Councilor Ryder reported that the next meeting will be held on July 29th.

Planning & Development – Councilor Jarvi reported that the meeting for the 3rd was rescheduled to July 17th.

Services Committee – Councilor Marble reported that the next meeting is June 8th.

F. MANAGER’S REPORT - None

G. COUNCILORS’ COMMENTS

Councilor McAvoy – Encouraged everyone to shop local and buy American. He wished Hampden a good night

Councilor Jarvi – No comment

Councilor Wright – No comment

Councilor Marble – No comment

Councilor Wilde – No comment

Councilor Ryder – No comment

Mayor McPike – No comment

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel Matters - Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A) – (Taken up after Resolution 104)

Mayor McPike made a motion, seconded by Councilor McAvoy, to enter executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(A) for personnel matters, to include the town’s

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attorney and asked for a role call vote. Councilor McAvoy – yes, Councilor Jarvi – yes, Councilor Wright – yes, Councilor Marble – yes, Councilor Wilde – yes, Councilor Ryder – yes, Mayor McPike – yes. Unanimous, 7-0.

Resolution 2019-105

- I. ADJOURNMENT** – *With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,



*Paula A. Scott, CCM
Town Clerk*