



HAMPDEN TOWN COUNCIL
HAMPDEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MINUTES

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

7:00 P.M.

Attending:

Mayor David Ryder

Councilor Bill Shakespeare

Councilor Terry McAvoy

Councilor Dennis Marble

Councilor Stephen Wilde

Councilor Greg Sirois

Town Manager Angus Jennings

Town Clerk Denise Hodsdon

Joseph Zydlewski

Citizens

Mayor Ryder called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

- A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – *Mayor Ryder led the Pledge of Allegiance*
- B. CONSENT AGENDA** – *Councilor Shakespeare requested that Item B.4.b. be set aside for comment. Motion by Councilor Marble, seconded by Councilor McAvoy to accept the Consent Agenda. Unanimous vote in favor.*
- 1. SIGNATURES**
 - 2. SECRETARY'S REPORTS**
 - a. **September 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes**
 - b. **September 14, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes**
 - 3. COMMUNICATIONS**
 - a. **Walter Cupples – Application for Appointment to Board of Appeals – Referral to Planning & Development Committee**
 - b. **Daniel Brooks/Manager & Council – Town Attorney Recognition**
 - c. **Maine Water Utilities Association – Request for Welcome Presentation at 10/8/2015 Meeting**
 - 4. REPORTS**
 - a. **Finance Committee Minutes – 8/17/2015**
 - b. **Monthly Department Reports – August 2015** – *Councilor Shakespeare noted that the Recreation Department has received the Efficiency Maine rebate in the amount of \$16,800.00 for the LED light upgrade. The Department's cost for the upgrade was \$3,947.00 and the savings over four months is in excess of \$4500, which has more than paid for the upgrade.*
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *None*

D. POLICY AGENDA

1. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS - None

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

3. NOMINATIONS – APPOINTMENTS – ELECTIONS

- a. **Marsha Richardson – Appointment to Lura Hoit Pool Board of Trustees – Services Committee Recommendation – Motion by Councilor McAvoy, seconded by Councilor Sirois to appoint Marsha Richardson to the Lura Hoit Pool Board of Trustees. Unanimous vote in favor.**
- b. **Discussion: Candidate Forum & Newsletter Profiles – In Manager Jennings' memo to the Council regarding this item, he indicated that he is aware that the Council's interest in hosting a Candidates' Forum and support for continuing to include candidate profiles in the newsletter is not unanimous. The purpose of the discussion is to determine whether a majority of the Council would like to proceed with the Forum and newsletter profiles.**
Councilor McAvoy said he objects to the use of taxpayer facilities to promote incumbent candidates but he could support a third party sponsoring some sort of meet and greet or a debate at a non-town-owned facility. He said he does not recall seeing any other elected body putting on its own forum. He also feels that the information in the newsletter should be limited to the candidates' names, occupations and photographs.
There was agreement that a third party sponsoring an event is a good idea for the future, but given the time constraints this year, Councilors Shakespeare, Marble and Sirois said they do not see a conflict with the Town investing in an opportunity to educate the voters about who is running for office and what their ideas are. Mayor Ryder suggested continuing in the same manner as in the past and Councilor Wilde said he would not be opposed to a public forum.
Motion by Councilor Wilde, seconded by Councilor Marble to continue with the public forum and newsletter as in past years. Vote on the motion was 5-1 (McAvoy opposed); motion carried.
The Candidates' Forum for Councilor At-Large candidates will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 6th and will be broadcast live on the Town's cable access Channel 7 and taped for re-broadcast several times prior to the November 3rd Election.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. **Town Attorney Recommendation – This item was postponed until a later date.**

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Request for access to Papermill Park for Installation of Weir for Eel Research – Joseph Zydlewski, U.S. Geological Survey Maine Cooperative Fish & Wildlife Research Unit – Services Committee Recommendation –** *Hampden resident Joseph Zydlewski of the U.S. Geological Survey Maine Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit has requested authorization for vehicular access to Papermill Park for the purpose of installing a weir to study eel migration timing, movement patterns and survival. He has received permits from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Department of Marine Resources and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Motion by Councilor McAvoy, seconded by Councilor Marble to adopt Council Order No. 2015-01 Authorizing Weir Installation and Eel Research at Papermill Park. Unanimous vote in favor. A copy of the order is attached and made a part of the minutes.*
- b. **Maine Municipal Association Annual Business Meeting – Voting Delegate Credentials –** *Because the Town Manager and no Councilors are able to attend the annual business meeting, no action was taken on this item.*
- c. **Municipal Review Committee Board of Directors Election – Candidate Nomination Form –** *Motion by Councilor Marble, seconded by Councilor Sirois to refer this item to the Planning & Development Committee. Unanimous vote in favor.*
- d. **Request for Zoning Map Amendment – Map 9A, Lot 1 from Residential A to Business – Planning & Development Committee recommendation to refer to Planning Board –** *Motion by Councilor Shakespeare, seconded by Councilor Sirois to refer the Zoning Map amendment for Map 9A, Lot 1 to the Planning Board. Unanimous vote in favor.*

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Services Committee – *Councilor McAvoy reported that at the last meeting the Recreation Committee presented its Recreation Plan. He noted that the plan is available for review on the Town’s website.*

Infrastructure Committee – *The next meeting will be at 6:00 pm on Monday, September 28th.*

Planning & Development Committee – *Councilor Shakespeare reported that at the meeting on September 16th, the committee discussed the municipal marina sign and the codification portfolio. At its next meeting, the committee will continue work on the private ways ordinance and will discuss stockpiling of materials.*

Finance & Administration Committee – *Mayor Ryder reported that the committee met briefly just prior to the Council meeting to approve minutes and warrants.*

- F. **MANAGER’S REPORT –** *Manager Jennings reported that he met with former Town Manager Sue Lessard regarding monthly financial reconciliations and reporting and noted that he will have monthly financial reports for the Finance Committee beginning in October.*

David I. Ryder (Mayor, Dist. 4)
Stephen L. Wilde (1)
Dennis R. Marble (2)

TOWN OF HAMPDEN
IN THE TOWN COUNCIL

Terry McAvoy (3)
William W. Shakespeare (A/L)
Gregory J. Sirois (A/L)

Order 2015-01
Adoption: 9/21, 2015

**ORDER AUTHORIZING WEIR INSTALLATION AND
EEL RESEARCH AT PAPERMILL PARK**

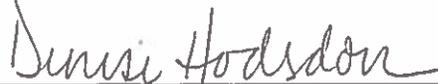
ORDERED, that the Town Council hereby approves a request from Joseph Zydlewski of the U.S. Geological Survey Maine Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, and authorizes temporary vehicular access to Papermill Park for the purpose of installing a weir to study eel migration timing, movement patterns and survival.

The actions authorized herein are as set forth in permits issued by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Marine Resources, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, including:

- Temporary vehicular access to Papermill Park for the purposes of installing the weir;
- Twice-daily monitoring of the weir trap;
- Posting of a small sign near the weir site to educate the public regarding the research, and including researchers' contact information;
- Term of weir installation between August 1 and December 31 of each of five years, beginning in 2015, subject to annual Town Council reauthorization.

The work, including site access, shall be coordinated through the Department of Public Works and Recreation Department as needed.

Town Clerk:



Denise Hodsdon

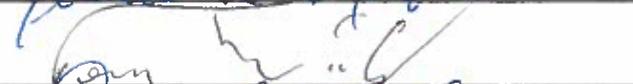
ORDERED by a majority of the Town Council:















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Denise Hodsdon <clerk@hampdenmaine.gov>

P&D Action

1 message

Dean Bennett <economicdevelopment@hampdenmaine.gov>
To: Denise Hodsdon <clerk@hampdenmaine.gov>
Cc: Angus Jennings <townmanager@hampdenmaine.gov>

Mon, Sep 14, 2015 at 12:52 PM

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The Planning and Development Committee took the following actions at their meeting on September 2nd.

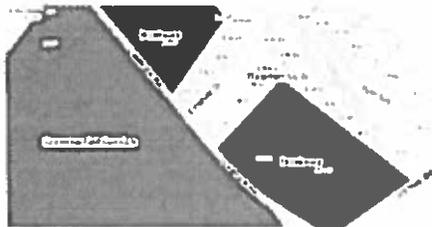
Committee Action: Motioned and Seconded to send the request for zoning change of Map 9A, Lot 1 (Corner of Emerson Drive and Coldbrook Road from Residential A to Business) on to the Town Council for forwarding to the Planning Board for review and recommendation.

I have attached Map.

Thanks,
Dean

Dean L. Bennett
Director of Community and Economic Development
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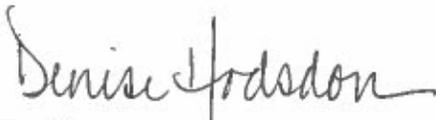
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G. COUNCILORS' COMMENTS

Councilor Marble wanted to make the public aware of what is being advertised as a marijuana summit being done under the auspices of two municipal-related public health organizations tied in with the State CDC. It is being held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday at the Gracie Theatre at Husson University. The public is invited and there are going to be a number of petition items pushing for the legalization of recreational marijuana. This is an attempt to share some current science-based information about what is going on, especially with regards to the State of Colorado. Councilor Marble also said he wanted to recognize Public Safety Director Joe Rogers. He had heard of some crisis intervention training for Police and passed the information on to Chief Rogers. Chief Rogers indicated that he was sending two people to the upcoming training and that all personnel on both Fire and Police have been trained. Councilor Marble felt that is very significant as it is hard to schedule with a smaller department. He thought that speaks well for the community and for the Public Safety team and he wanted to recognize Chief Rogers for that.

Councilor McAvoy said he wished he could take credit for the excellent stretch of weather we have had and he reminded everyone to shop local and buy American. Mayor Ryder gave an update on the tree cutting at Dorothea Dix Park. Prentiss & Carlisle has completed the cutting operation and moved out. He said it looks great and the cleaning up of brush and mulching of the trails should be completed in the next few days. The park should be reopened by the weekend and he invited the public to check it out. He thanked everyone involved for doing a great job.

H. ADJOURNMENT – *There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.*



Denise Hodsdon
Town Clerk