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GARDINER CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET



Meeting Date	08/04/2021	Department	City Clerk
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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES GARDINER CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, June 2, 2021 7:00 PM Public Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hart at 7:03 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council Present: Mayor Hart, Councilor Cusick, Councilor White, Councilor Berry, Councilor Rees, Councilor Frey, and Councilor Rines.

City Council Absent: Councilor Sergent

Also present: Acting City Manager Anne Davis, City Clerk Alisha Ballard, Police Chief James Toman, Finance Director Denise Brown, Wastewater Director Douglas Clark, Public Works Director Jerry Douglass, Code Enforcement Officer Kristopher McNeill, Economic Development Director Tracey Desjardins, Fire Chief Rick Sieberg, Patricia Welton, Eric McMaster and Debby Willis.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a.) Pursuant to M.R.S. §405 (6) (D): Discussion of labor contracts, proposals and meetings between a public agency and its negotiators.

Gave city staff direction.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

4. PETITIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

a.) Public Hearing - FY22 budget

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

b.) Public Hearing –An application from the Smith Wiley Post 4 American Legion – Liquor 51-100 seats

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

c.) Public Hearing – A renewal application for a license for a retail recreation marijuana store (Herbal Pathways)

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:09 p.m.

d.) Public Hearing – A new application for a Marijuana Business Permit located at 15 Lions Way (Eric McMaster)

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:09 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:09 p.m.

e.) Public Hearing – Consideration of the approval of the proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance and Codes dealing with Marijuana Establishments

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:09 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a.) Discussion of FY22 Municipal Budget

Acting City Manager Anne Davis reviewed the FY22 slideshow.

Mayor Hart asked clarifying questions.

Councilor Berry asked what was the process of removing the revaluation funds.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the revaluation could be put off for a future savings or bond when the City decides to do the revaluation.

Councilor Berry asked if it has been past practice to bond the revaluation.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the last revaluation was bonded. Acting City Manager Davis continued her FY2 slideshow.

Fire Chief Rick Sieberg spoke briefly regarding for funding the Richmond coverage.

Mayor Hart stated Gardiner would pay for the first year and then the other towns would help out in following years.

Fire Chief Sieberg stated that is correct.

Mayor Hart stated that the hardest part is that Gardiner would pay 100% to start. Mayor Hart asked Fire Chief Sieberg if he would not mind starting this next fiscal year.

Fire Chief Sieberg stated that is up to Council. He stated the other towns have already set their budgets but this would get the ball rolling.

Councilor Rees reminded everyone that not long ago the city was looking to fund a \$600,000 increase in the budget to fully staff the Fire Department and this is a great opportunity.

Councilor Berry stated we need to walk into the proposal and that it needs to be communicated that Gardiner is not going to 100% fund this long term.

Fire Chief Sieberg stated that doing overtime is a low risk trail.

Councilor Cusick stated that the other towns thought this is a great idea; the budgets in other towns were already settled. Councilor Cusick stated his only concern is that there would be lots of overtime accrued.

Fire Chief Sieberg stated he spoke to the people in the union and they are on board with it.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that Richmond is a partner town of our services currently. Acting City Manager Davis asked Fire Chief Sieberg a clarifying question in regards to a structural fire in Richmond.

Fire Chief Sieberg stated they did need to empty the station, if there was a truck in Richmond they would have only sent two people down instead of the whole Gardiner team.

Mayor Hart asked if Richmond has a fire department.

Fire Chief Sieberg stated it was mutual aid.

Councilor Berry stated the city sacrifices its budget based on what the school budget does.

Councilor Frey thanked all the city staff that works on the budget.

Councilor Rees echoed Councilor Frey and supports the increase.

Councilor White stated the Richmond ambulance is important to her and the \$.30 increase includes this service. Councilor White suggested to keep the \$65,000 for the Richmond ambulance, take \$25,000 more from fund balance to cover and take the \$40,000, which would be a \$.11 increase.

Mayor Hart stated the amount of money the City is proposed to spend is not a flat amount.

Councilor Cusick stated we can not change the school budget and the city will take the brunt of the negative comments with the increase. Councilor Cusick stated he agrees with Councilor White's scenario.

Acting City Manager Davis asked clarifying questions.

Councilor Frey asked if this would preserve the ambulance and the paving in the budget.

Mayor Hart stated that is correct.

Acting City Manager Davis clarified we would be using \$475,000 of fund balance.

Finance Director Denise Brown stated she could get the increase to \$.11.

Action: Councilor White motioned to amend the FY22 proposed budget updated on June 2, 2021 by incorporating our directive of modifying scenario two by putting in Richmond overtime back in and splitting the cost between the fund balance and a tax increase and move the FY22 first read to June 9, 2021. Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

b.) First Reading of a renewal application for a license for a Retail Recreation Marijuana store (Herbal Pathways).

Mayor Hart did findings and fact.

Action: Councilor Frey motioned to move this item to a Second Read on June 16, 2021 at 6PM via a publicly accessible Zoom meeting of the Gardiner City Council pending the delivery of the application to the state.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

c.) First Reading of an application for a Tier 3 Medical Marijuana Cultivation facility (Eric McMaster).

Mayor Hart did findings and fact.

<u>Action</u>: Councilor Cusick motioned to move this item to a Second Read on June 16, 2021 at 6PM via a publicly accessible Zoom meeting of the Gardiner City Council with the following, fill out page four, correct address, fire protection issue and owner of other facilities.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

d.) First Reading of the proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance and Codes dealing with marijuana establishments.

Planning Board Chair Debby Willis spoke briefly.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to move this item to a Second Read on June 16, 2021 at 6PM via a publicly accessible Zoom meeting of the Gardiner City Council.

Councilor Cucisk seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

e.) Discussion of rescinding a city manager's extension of sick leave due to COVID-19.

Acting City Manager Davis spoke briefly.

f.) Consideration of an addition to the City of Gardiner's COVID-19 Policy.

Acting City Manager Davis spoke briefly.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to accept the attached draft version and to have it incorporated into Gardiner's COVID-19 Policy that was adopted on 12/09/20. Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion.

Councilor Rines asked if they are required to provide proof of vaccination.

Acting City Manager Davis stated at this time city staff does not need to provide proof.

All those in favor. Unanimous.

g.) Consideration of an application from the Smith Wiley Post 4 for renewal for Victular's License, Liquor License, Entertainment/ Special Amusement License and Outside Consumption.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved renew a Victular's License, a Liquor License, an Entertainment/Special Amusement License and approve an Outside Consumption Permit.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

h.) Consideration of approving the signing of the MSAD# 11 Warrant and Notice of Election.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to accept the signatures approving MSAD#11's Warrant and Notice of Election.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

6. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Acting City Manager Davis stated they have done a panel interview for the next assistant director position for the library.

Mayor Hart asked Acting City Manager Davis when Scott's last day is.

Acting City Manager Davis stated at the end of July 2021.

Acting City Manager Davis stated May 28 was a very busy day for city hall staff.

Acting City Manager Davis stated Election Day is June 8, 2021 from 8 am - 8 pm located in the high school gym.

Acting City Manager Davis thanked Gardiner Fire department.

Acting City Manager Davis stated a New Police Officer if starting this week.

Acting City Manager Davis wished Officer Allen Alexander a great goodbye, he is moving to the south.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the Wastewater Treatment project has begun.

Acting City Manager Davis thanked Public Works and the Buildings and Grounds employees as they work very hard around the city.

Mayor Hart 'hear' 'hear'

7. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Councilor Cusick said there was confusion for a Memorial Day Parade.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the City did not receive a permit for a Memorial Day Parade.

Councilor Cusick thanked Acting City Manager Davis, Finance Director Brown, and all Department Heads and Council for going through the budget.

Councilor White echoed comments for the budget.

Councilor Berry echoed comments for the budget.

Councilor Rees echoed comments for the budget. Councilor Rees expressed a concern from a resident about a location across the street from Ainsley's.

Councilor Frey echoed comments for the budget.

Councilor Rines thanked everyone at city hall with the budget, with Covid and being extremely busy during the rush before the long weekend. Councilor Rines asked Acting City Manager Davis about Quimby Field.

Acting City Manager Davis stated they would add the discussion of Quimby Field to a

future agenda.

Mayor Hart stated that there is a ground-breaking ceremony on Lot 15 in the business

park on Tuesday, June 8th at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Hart stated Mr Gerrish has accepted to assist the City with the city manager

search; he will join us on June 16, 2021.

Mayor Hart stated there are many volunteers helping Building and Grounds and Public

Works departments. Gardiners' Gardeners tend to the gardens and boxes. Gardiner

Rotary has come down twice to lay the mulch down at the waterfront.

Mayor Hart thanked everyone for being respectful and civil interactions with the budget

and everything that we do.

8. ADJOURN

Action: Councilor Rees motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous.

The City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Alisha Ballard

City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES GARDINER CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, June 9, 2021 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hart at 6:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council Present: Mayor Hart, Councilor Cusick, Councilor White, Councilor Berry, Councilor Rees, and Councilor Frey (arrived 6:19 p.m.), and Councilor Rines.

City Council Absent: Councilor Sergent.

Also present: Acting City Manager Anne Davis, City Clerk Alisha Ballard, Police Chief James Toman, Finance Director Denise Brown, Dennis Doiron, Wastewater Director Doug Clark, Public Works Director Jerry Douglass, Fire Chief Rick Sieberg, Economic Development Director Tracey Desjardins.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. PETITIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

4. NEW BUSINESS

a.) First Read of the FY22 budget

Action: Councilor Cusick moved to approve the First Read of the FY22 General Fund, Enterprise Funds, and TIF Fund budgets and to hold a second reading on June 16, 2021.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion.

Office of the Mayor & City Council | 6 Church Street | Gardiner, ME 04345 207-582-4200 | 207-582-6895 (fax) www.GardinerMaine.com Acting City Manager Davis stated that a resident called to discuss the paving, they were happy to hear the paving was put back into the budget.

All those in favor. Unanimous.

b.) Consideration of accepting the recommendations of the Sidewalk Committee

Public Works Director spoke briefly.

Councilor Rees received a question or whether there are any plans to fix the sidewalks near Brunswick Ave.

Public Works Director Douglass stated currently there is no plan in place. There is currently a Municipal Partnership initiative program that we are partnered with DOT.

Councilor Berry asked if there was any criteria to create this list.

Dennis Doiron spoke briefly and explained the criteria.

Councilor Berry stated we do not have a big Public Works team to take on this project and this could take several years to remove all these sidewalks.

Public Works Director Douglass stated that it would not take years; they are hoping to have this project done before winter.

Dennis Dorion spoke briefly.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to accept the recommendation of the Gardiner Sidewalk Committee that a list of sidewalks be removed and not replaced. Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion.

Councilor White asked for the street name Prospect to be removed from the list. All those in favor. Unanimous.

c.) Consideration of approving a Roving/on Wheels/Lunch Wagon (3-day) license for Kabayan Philipino Foods

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to approve a Roving/on Wheels/Lunch Wagon (3-day) license for Kabayan Philipino Foods.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

d.) Consideration of a DBA and Victular's license for Central Maine Nutrition

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to approve a DBA and Victular's license for Central Maine Nutrition

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

e.) Consideration of accepting a bid for 28 Spring Street

Acting City Manager Anne Davis spoke briefly.

Mayor Hart read aloud the bids.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rees moved to accept the bid of \$11,750, from Mark Hinkley. Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

f.) Consideration of approving a Minor Event - Meaghan Carlson for Boston Children's Hospital

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to waive the event fee and the requirement for liability insurance for the Meaghan Carlson event for Boston Children's Hospital. Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

g.) Approval of minutes (4/28/21, 5/05/21, 5/12/21)

Action: Councilor Cusick moved to approve the meeting minutes from 4/28/2021, 5/05/2021 and 5/12/2021.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

h.) Advise and consent to the Mayor's appointment

Mayor Hart removed her name from the list.

Councilor Rees expressed good things about Ronald Trahan.

Councilor White seconded Councilor Rees. Councilor White asked a clarifying question.

Mayor Hart clarified.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rees moved to advise and consent to the Mayor's appointment of Ronald Trahan, to the Quimby Field Trust." Councilor White seconded. Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Acting City Manager Davis expressed the next council meeting will be a long one.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the Gardiner Police Department is pleased to announce they have hired Micheal J Moody, full time police officer.

Acting City Manager Davis gave a brief update on the brown tail moths.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she went and looked at Plaisted cemetery.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she has promoted Dawn Thissle to the Assistant Library Director Position. The search for the Director position is now underway and she will need to fill Dawn's old position.

Acting City Manager Davis thanked City Clerk Alisha Ballard who was able to pull off an election and still do her day to day work.

Councilor Berry asked if there is a vote count.

City Clerk Ballard read aloud the vote count.

6. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Councilor Cusick asked Acting City Manager Davis if the Fire Chief was happy with the way Brown's Junkyard was being run.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she did check with Fire Chief Sieberg, he deemed this a true accident.

Councilor White gave kudos to the Fire Department and neighbors for putting out the fire.

Councilor Berry stated a couple weeks Kennebec Regional Development Authority asked for legal. Councilor Berry asked Acting City Manager Davis to send a letter to Spectrum.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she would gather more information.

Councilor Rees stated she is using Spectrum and does not like it. Councilor Rees welcomed the new police officer. Councilor Rees congratulated Dawn for her new job title.

Councilor Frey 'Hear' 'Hear' to Councilor Rees.

Councilor Rines echoed Councilor Rees for her remarks.

Mayor Hart stated they had the groundbreaking ceremony yesterday. Kudos to Kris McNeill and the Economic Development Director Desjardins for all their hard work. Mayor Hart congratulated Dawn for the Assistant Library Director position. Mayor Hart thanked City Clerk Ballard for her work with the election. Mayor Hart thanked Kathy Cutler for all of the hard work she has been putting in for the TAPs. Mayor Hart welcomed Michael Moody to the police department. Mayor Hart had someone reach out about public notice for future blasting and would like to have the Ordinance Review committee to take a look.

7. ADJOURN

Action: Councilor Berry motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Councilor Rees seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous. The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Alisha Ballard

City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES GARDINER CITY COUNCIL Wednesday, June 16, 2021 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hart at 6:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council Present: Mayor Hart, Councilor Cusick, Councilor Rees, Councilor White, Councilor Berry, Councilor Frey, and Councilor Rines.

City Council Absent: Councilor Sergent.

Also present: Acting City Manager Anne Davis, City Clerk Alisha Ballard, Don Gerrish, Chair of Cobbossee Corridor Committee Gay Grant.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. PETITIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

a.) A Public Hearing to Consider a Liquor License Renewal for Canton Village Located at 428 Water St, Gardiner ME

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 6:05p.m.

b.) Public Hearing - FY22 budget

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public.

Acting City Manager Anne Davis read aloud a letter from Penny Sergent.

Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 6:10 p.m.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a.) Discussion with Don Gerrish, Consultant on a City Manager Search

Don Gerrish thanked the Mayor and the Council for being able to work with them. Don spoke briefly and reviewed a time line. Don asked if it would be just the council to review the application.

Mayor Hart stated there would be an event seeking public input for the downtown master plan and people will already be there. Mayor Hart stated Don could attend to be a part of this to share with him their thoughts about the qualities for a City Manager.

Don stated that would work for him. Don stated he would like to meet with anyone who would like to have input for the City Manager. Don asked Council how they would like to advertise for this position.

Councilor Rees stated this was an interesting move to advertise in Massachusetts, we have seen many people moving to Maine and this might reach the right person.

Mayor Hart asked if the cost would be for each location.

Don stated ICMA is \$450.00, together New Hampshire and Massachusetts would be close to \$450.00 for one month.

Mayor Hart stated that the City would like to post in New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Don stated he would gather a draft together and wait for approval before posting the advertisement. Don mentioned the information he would need before posting. Don stated he would be the one gathering the applications and put together a booklet for the Councilors to review.

Mayor Hart asked Don if the first meeting is a private meeting or public.

Don stated they are confidential meetings.

Mayor Hart stated he should move ahead with the advertisement, interviewing the Department Heads, and come back to July 7, 2021 to discuss the process in depth.

Don asked the Council to review the draft to discuss further on July 7, 2021.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that in an advertisement for employment you need a range of salary.

Don stated that is the next item on his list. Don stated the ball park range would be \$85,000 to \$100,000.

b.) Update on the Cobbossee Corridor Project

Gay Grant spoke briefly regarding to the Cobbossee Corridor Project.

Mayor Hart stated this is a fantastic committee and that they instantly looked at the trestle and mentioned we would need to maintain and fix.

Councilor Berry asked if the trestle ownership will be DOT.

Gay stated she believes so. Gay reviewed the time line for the Cobbossee Corridor Project.

Mayor Hart stated that Public Works Director Jerry Douglass would bring the Committee's choice for the design work before council for approval.

Councilor Rees mentioned that many birdwatchers use the area maybe there is some Audubon grants would be a possibility or educational grants.

Gay thanked Councilor Rees and that is something they will add to the list. Gay reviewed the Cobbossee Corridor Project.

Mayor Hart spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor Rees moved to accept the report as presented and also move to extend the expiration of this committee to June 30, 2024. Councilor Berry seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

c.) Second Read and Possible Approval and Resolution of FY22 Budget Appropriations and Direct the Tax Levy of City Services to the City Manager

Action: Councilor Berry moved to approve the second and final read of the FY22 General Fund Budget and to authorize the City Manager to enter into any and all contracts necessary to implement this budget pursuant to the City's purchasing policy. Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion.

Councilor Berry spoke regarding to the comment made during public comment. Councilor Berry stated he found Councilor Sergent's comments inappropriate, she was elected and she has chosen to not participate in any of the processes. Councilor Berry asked the councilors and the general public to count the many times she has attended a meeting, he states he does not feel she has the right to criticize after the fact.

Councilor White 'Hear' 'Hear'

Councilor Rees 'Hear' 'Hear'

Mayor Hart thanked Councilor Berry for his comments and stated she agrees with his comment. Mayor Hart stated the school board agreed to reduce the assessment to a \$.30 cent increase versus a \$.60 and the county was a 6% increase in the budget.

Finance Director Denise Brown stated a little over \$.05 cents, so the mil rate is contingent on what the assessor finds.

Councilor White asked Finance Director Brown, we have a \$.30 cent increase from the school and a \$.10 cent increase from our own budget then a \$.05 cent increase from the county.

Finance Director Brown stated she does not have a lot of information from the school on how they intend to implement their reduction. Finance Director Brown stated her numbers are bases on before the adjustments, which was an \$.80 cent increase on the mil.

Councilor White asked if they know the mil rate as of yet.

Finance Director Brown stated not as of yet.

Mayor Hart asked Finance Director Brown when we would know what the mil rate would be.

Finance Director Brown stated we would probably have the assessor's evaluation around mid-July and again not sure how the school will make the reduction happen.

All those in favor? Unanimous.

d.) Consider Approval and Resolution to Establish FY22 Appropriations for the Enterprise Accounts and TIF Funds

Action: Councilor Cusick moved to approve the FY22 Ambulance, Wastewater, and TIF Budgets and to authorize the City Manager to enter into any and all contracts necessary to implement these budgets pursuant to the City's purchasing policy.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

e.) Consideration of FY22 Tax Due Dates, Setting the Interest Rate, and Authorizing the Tax Club Program

Finance Director Brown spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor Berry moved to approve the tax due dates of September 15, 2021 and March 15, 2022 with a 6% interest rate on delinquent accounts, and allow residents to participate in the Property Tax Club Payment Plan for FY22,

and to also authorize the acceptance of prepayments for taxes not yet committed, with 0% interest accrued.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

f.) Consideration of Carryforward Requests

Action: Councilor Rines moved to approve the City Manager's list of recommended carry-forward items from FY21 to FY22.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

g.) Consideration of transferring funds from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund.

Finance Director Denise Brown spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor White moved to approve the transfer of \$44,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund to be used towards the matching portion of the MDOT/MPI Project for the Mill and Fill on Route 201.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion.

Councilor Cusick asked Finance Director Brown when is this going out to bid.

Finance Director Brown stated she is not certain if the bids have come back yet, but she thinks the project will not cost as much as they thought.

Councilor Cusick stated he wanted to know if this project would be done this year.

Finance Director Brown stated with talking with Public Works Director Douglass they are in hopes to doing this project this fall but if not they will be doing it by next spring.

All those in favor. Unanimous.

h.) Second Read and Possible Approval of the Land Use Ordinance/Codes dealing with Marijuana Establishments

Mayor Hart spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor Berry moved to accept the proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance and Codes dealing with marijuana establishments. Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

i.) Second Read and Possible Approval of a new application for a Marijuana Business Application

Mayor Hart spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor Frey moved to approve a new application for a marijuana business from Eric McMaster.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

j.) Second Read and Possible Approval for a renewal license for a Retail Recreation Marijuana Store

Mayor Hart spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor Rines moved to approve a renewal license for the retail recreation marijuana store, Herbal Pathways, owned by Kenneth Crowley. This business is located at 35 Bridge Street in Gardiner, Maine.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

k.) Consideration of renewing a Liquor License for Canton Village

Action: Councilor White moved to renew a Liquor License for Canton Village located at 438 Water Street.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

l.) Consideration of renewing a Victular's License for Ainslie's Market

Action: Councilor Rines moved to approve a Victualer's License for Jay Ainslie, owner of Ainslie's Market, LLC.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

m.) Consideration of renewing a Victular's License for Hannaford Supermarket and Pharmacy

Action: Councilor Cusick moved to renew a Victualer's License for Hannaford Supermarket and Pharmacy.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

n.) Consideration of a new Victular's and DBA License for Waterfront Nutrition

Action: Councilor Rees moved to approve a DBA and Victular's license for Waterfront Nutrition.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

o.) Consideration of Accepting the April and May Department Head Reports

Action: Councilor Rines moved to accept the April and May reports from our Department Heads.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

p.) Accept the MSAD#11 Budget Referendum Results

Action: Councilor White moved to accept the June 8, 2021 Election Results as presented and give many thanks to all the individuals that made this election a success especially during these trying times.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Acting City Manager Davis stated the volunteers have been planting trees in the Common. Acting City Manager Davis wanted to extend thanks to Marg Barter, Phil Barter, Ed Allen, Robert Abbey, Jack Fles, Peter Giampetruzzi, and the Interact Students lead by Rayeann Desoto, Yona Montell, Lilly Devery, Issy Danville, Gigi Grant, Kyla Shea, Liam Shea, Laine Biloudea, and Julie Newcurt.

Acting City Manager Davis stated after working for the City for more than 32 years Public Works Foreman Kendall Kromwell will be retiring in early August.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that Farmingdale and Richmond voted to continue as a partner with the Library and the Ambulance Service.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the Governor's Emergency orders end on June 30, 2021, the City has 30 days to abide by this.

Acting City Manager Davis thanked everyone for their feedback with the broadband information, there are two companies that are providing bad service to High Holborn street.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that Finance Director Brown was very busy with the auditors this week, they come twice a year. They reported the records are looking wonderful and we are very lucky to have Denise Brown being in charge of City Finance.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that the August 4, 2021 meeting she will be unavailable so Finance Director Denise Brown will be the Council's staff liaison for this meeting.

Acting City Manager Davis mentioned she read aloud a letter earlier this meeting from a resident and fellow councilor, in her option that was hurtful. Acting City Manager Davis stated that the emails she receives are most often public and if you would like to hear or see any other emails she has received over the course of these past two weeks she will be able to forward them along. Acting City Manager Davis stated she feels like Council should be aware of the type of emails the staff, mayor and Acting City Manager have been receiving.

Mayor Hart apologized for a fellow Councilor's emails to the Acting City Manager and staff.

Councilor White 'Hear' 'Hear'

6. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Councilor White extended her thanks to Raye Anne Desoto for being named Kennebec County Teacher of the year. Councilor White stated she feels bad about the emails and asked if the City could take the City Ipad away if it is being used inappropriately.

Mayor Hart stated they can look further into it and come back with an answer. Mayor Hart said 'Hear' 'Hear' to Raye Anne.

Councilor Berry stated Zoom has served its purpose and they should be meeting back into Council Chambers sooner rather than later. Councilor Berry stated he would like to see all of the emails on a continuous basis.

Councilor Rees congratulated Raye Anne Desoto and thanked the Council that are present and the City Manager and Mayor who are always professional even when we disagree.

Councilor Rines echoed the congratulations to Raye Anne Desoto for her award. Councilor

Rines asked Acting City Manager to forward the emails that have been received and all

future emails.

Mayor Hart stated they voted April 8, 2020 to follow the State's Emergency Order and

Governor Mills is going to rescind this order on June 30, 2021.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the equipment has not been used in over a year and

starting to update all of the technology before the first meeting.

Mayor Hart asked Council if they are okay with awarding the Spirit of America award to

Gardiner's Gardeners, they have been working hard for many years.

Mayor Hart stated she is preparing a proclamation for Bill Harvey on July 7, 2021.

Mayor Hart suggested that Council direct the Acting City Manager to develop a policies for

emails and social media.

Mayor Hart thanked the City Clerk and her team for the Election.

Mayor Hart stated there was a ribbon cutting for the Harrom.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Action: Councilor Berry motioned to move into executive session at 7:47 p.m.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted.

Unanimous.

The City Council moved into executive session at 7:54p.m.

9

a.) Pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(c): Discussion or Consideration of the condition, acquisition or the use of real or personal property

Action: Councilor Rees motioned to accept the proposal from the property owner at 314 Libby Hill Road that she is able to purchase her property back from the City of Gardiner for \$2,000.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. 6 yes, 1 abstention.

b.) Pursuant to M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(d): Discussion of labor contracts, proposals and meetings between a public agency and its negotiators

Council gave Acting City Manager direction.

c.) Pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(a): Discussion or Consideration of Employment

Action: Councilor Berry motioned to accept the proposal that was presented to us and to work the details out with timing and direction.

Councilor Rees seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous.

8. ADJOURN

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Berry motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous. The City Council adjourned the meeting at 9:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Alisha Ballard

City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES GARDINER CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, July 7, 2021 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hart at 6:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council Present: Mayor Hart, Councilor Cusick, Councilor White, Councilor Rees, Councilor Berry, Councilor Frey, and Councilor Rines.

City Council Absent: Councilor Sergent.

Also present: Acting City Manager Anne Davis, City Clerk Alisha Ballard, Code Enforcement Officer Kris McNeill, Planning Board Chair Debby Willis and Economic Development Director Tracey Desjardins.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. PETITIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

a) Public Hearing for proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

b) Public Hearing for a license for a medical marijuana cultivation business (Rancho Bufalo)

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

c) Public Hearing for a license for a medical marijuana cultivation business (Flying Fish LLC)

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

d) Public Hearing for a license for a marijuana testing facility business (MCR Labs ME

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

e) Public Hearing for a liquor license renewal for Cobbossee Aerie #4330 F.O.E

Mayor Hart opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. and asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Mayor Hart closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Hart called a break at 7:05 p.m. Mayor Hart called meeting back to order at 7:07 p.m.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a) Consideration of a Mayoral Proclamation for Bill Harvey

Mayor Hart read the Proclamation for Bill Harvey aloud.

Mark Harvey spoke briefly.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to accept the proclamation honoring Bill Harvey and send along our best wishes to Mr. Harvey.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

b) First Reading of the proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance (demolition permit)

Code Enforcement Officer Kris McNeill spoke briefly.

Planning Board Chair Debby Willis spoke briefly.

Councilor Berry asked if there was a difference between historic district and the rest of Gardiner.

Code Enforcement Officer McNeill stated not in the Ordinance.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor White moved to send the proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance on the issuance of a demolition permit to a Second Read scheduled for August 4, 2021.

Councilor Rines seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

c.) Marijuana permit – First Read and consideration of a cultivation license for Rancho Bufalo

Mayor Hart spoke briefly.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to approve a license for the medical marijuana cultivation facility Rancho Bufalo, owned by Eduardo Buentello. This business is located at 378 Costello Road in Gardiner, Maine.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

d.) Consideration of rescinding the emergency powers of City Manager and Mayor in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to rescind the mayoral emergency powers that were enacted on March 16, 2020.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

e.) Discussion of adopting a remote meeting policy for public meetings

Mayor Hart spoke briefly about a remote meeting policy.

Councilor White stated this sounds like a hybrid situation.

Mayor Hart stated that Representative Harnett stated he believes there is an obligation there needs to be video.

Councilor Berry stated we have to allow remote participation but we can move into live participation.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she will get a draft out to everyone so Council can make edits.

f.) Discussion of updating the Gardiner City Charter

Mayor Hart spoke briefly about updating the Gardiner City Charter.

Acting City Manager Davis stated this is a quicker process and should be done.

Councilor Rees stated she noticed the pronouns should be updated.

Mayor Hart read Jon Pottles suggestions aloud.

Councilor Berry asked when the last time this subject was brought up.

Mayor Hart stated the last major Charter change was in the early 2000s.

Councilor Berry stated he is in favor of trying to change these due to the things that are happening currently.

Mayor Hart explained what would be focused on for changes.

Councilor Berry expressed concern and would like to have the seats of council addressed.

Councilor Rees stated she believes it would be quick to fix the easy and housekeeping items.

Councilor White stated she agreed with Councilor Rees.

Mayor Hart stated having a short list would be better.

Acting City Manager Davis stated they asked the solicitor if past behavior would be looked at with a Charter change and the answer was no but current behavior would be.

Mayor Hart stated this be a part of another agenda to discuss further.

g.) Consideration of suspending library fines indefinitely

Library Director Anne Davis spoke briefly.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to suspend library late fines indefinitely with the exceptions stated above. (Borrowed computers, certain ephemera and passes to Maine State Parks)

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Six yes, one no (Councilor Berry).

h.) Consider of adoption of proposed fee schedule for Planning Department

Action: Councilor Frey moved to adopt the proposed fees for solar arrays as presented.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

i.) Consider renewing Cobbossee Aerie #4330 F.O.E - Victular's, Beano-Bingo-Games of Chance-Pinball, Liquor, Entertainment & Outside Consumption

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to renew the Cobbossee Aerie #4330 F.O.E - Victualers, Beano-Bingo-Games of Chance-Pinball, Liquor, Entertainment & Outside Consumption.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

j.) Consider Renewing Gardiner Rotary - Victular's License

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to approve the Gardiner Rotary's Victualer's License.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Six yes, one abstention.

k.) Consider Renewing Canton Village - Victular's License

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to approve the Canton Village Victualer's License.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

1.) Consider Mandy's Cotton Candy - Roving, On Wheels, Lunch Wagon

Mayor Hart spoke with Amanda Richards about some concerns.

Amanda Richards explained her schedule would not consistent. Mayor Hart asked Amanda to work with Acting City Manager Davis and City Clerk Ballard.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to approve the application of Mandy's Cotton Candy for a Roving, On Wheels, Lunch Wagon permit for location to be worked out in the future.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

m.) Consideration of a Wreaths Across America application for a Major Event

Acting City Manager Davis spoke briefly.

Action: Councilor Berry moved to approve a Major Event permit to Wreaths Across America. Furthermore, I move to approve waiving the permitting fees associated with this event.

Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

n.) Consideration of approving an annual entertainment/special amusement License for Jokers and Rogues LLC

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rines moved to approve an Entertainment/ Special Amusement License to Jokers and Rogues LLC.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

o.) Consideration of approving information to conduct a search for city manager

Don Gerrish reviewed the City Manager advertisement draft.

Councilor White asked Mr. Gerrish to provide corrections and discussed some concerns with the advertisement.

Councilor Rees stated having a tax-paying manager is beneficial but should not be a requirement.

Councilor Berry stated the 5-year experience should state preferred.

Councilor Cusick stated he agrees with Councilor Berry, we should not require the applicant to relocate.

Don Gerrish stated how it is worded should stay.

Councilor Frey stated the way it is worded looks fine and that we should advertise the salary range.

Mayor Hart suggested a change to the school districts and to mention that the City has fire, police, and sewer.

Don Gerrish asked if these services included in the \$6.7 million dollar budget or is it separate.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she will get back to him with this information and that the City has six part time employees.

Don Gerrish asked Council what they would like to consider for a salary.

Acting City Manager Davis stated we could offer up to \$100,000.

Don Gerrish stated he had set a range of \$85,000 to \$100,000.

Councilor Berry stated he would like to see the range to show \$85,000 to \$95,000. Councilor Berry stated that \$100,000 would be stretching the budget.

Councilor Rees stated that some applicants might start their search at \$100,000.

Don Gerrish stated the range would be based on experience and qualifications. Don Gerrish reviewed the timeline for the city manager search.

Councilor White asked how would this be advertised to the public, it is only one week from tonight.

Mayor Hart stated the group that is working on the Downtown Master Plan has been doing lots of outreach to participate.

Don Gerrish stated we are good to publish.

Acting City Manager asked Don what he is looking for from the department heads.

Don Gerrish stated he would email her.

Acting City Manager stated she does not see any public meet and great within the timeline.

Don Gerrish stated we could have a meet and great with the two finalist. We have not done them due to COVID.

Mayor Hart explained how they did meet and greats in the past.

Councilor Cusick stated it worked well in the past and informative.

Councilor White stated she agrees with that.

Councilor Frey asked how much the presentation factored into the overall decision. If it does not affect the decision we could not do the meet and greet due to the timeline.

Mayor Hart stated it made a difference for her.

Don Gerrish stated he has done a scenario in the past, non public ones, the Council would look at. If we were to do this, it would add another meeting.

Mayor Hart stated after the candidate would speak with the council they would walk to the Library and do a meet and greet.

Don Gerrish stated he has done very informal meetings.

Councilor Berry stated he did not receive a lot of value from the candidates answering questions.

Councilor Cusick stated he is not hung up with doing a presentation but to do the meet and greet to see how they interact with the community.

Don Gerrish stated he will add a meet and greet into the timeline, that will give the Council time to decide how they want to proceed.

Mayor Hart stated this time line should reflect the Council's vacation time.

Don Gerrish and Council worked to update the timeline.

Mayor Hart asked where are the announcements going to be.

Don Gerrish explained.

Councilor Berry stated to spend the extra money to expand the announcements to out of state. Councilor Berry stated that we should look further in the timeline and not push out the dates due to people being on vacation.

Councilor Rees stated it is important for the Mayor to be there for all the meetings.

Councilor White stated she agrees with Councilor Rees.

Don Gerrish stated he would like to have all Councilors involved with all of the interviews and meetings.

Mayor Hart agrees with Mr. Gerrish.

p.) Marijuana permit – First Read and consideration of a cultivation license for Flying Fish LLC

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to approve a license for the medical marijuana cultivation facility located at 8 ABJ Drive Unit #2, Gardiner, Maine. Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

q.) Marijuana testing facility permit – First Read and consideration of a license for a marijuana testing facility

Action: Councilor Frey moved to issue a license for a marijuana testing facility located at 11 Technology Drive, Gardiner to MCR Labs ME/ Michael Kahn. Councilor Rines seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

r.) Consider approval of Council Meeting Minutes

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Cusick moved to accept the Council Minutes from 5/19/2021 and 5/26/2021.

Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. None. All those in favor. Unanimous.

Councilor Berry lost connection with zoom.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Acting City Manager Davis updated Council about the Brown Tail Moth, discussed at a future agenda, and gather costs to bring to Council.

Acting City Manager Davis stated there are new openings in the Library, Public Works Department, Building and Grounds and the Police Department. Acting City Manager Davis stated the City should look further into the recruitment plan.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that Kendall Cromwell is retiring as of August 3, 2021.

Acting City Manager Davis stated that Assistant Library Director Scott Handville is retiring on July 30, 2021 after 40 years.

6. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Councilor Cusick congratulated to Mr. Cromwell.

Councilor Cusick asked Acting City Manager Davis about the paving on Brunswick Hill.

Acting City Manager Davis stated she will gather the information and get back to Council with this answer.

Councilor White congratulations to both retirements. Councilor White asked about public events and notices for local businesses.

Acting City Manager Davis stated the local business owners could sign up for email blasts to be informed about all upcoming events.

Mayor Hart mentioned the first concert event this Friday, Johnson Hall has a big announcement. Gardiner Main Street has events coming up. Mayor Hart stated July 14, 2021 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. please join us for the downtown masterplan located at Johnson Hall.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Action: Councilor Rees motioned to move into executive session Pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(f): Discussion of a contract negotiation at 8:16 p.m. Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous.

The City Council moved into executive session at 8:17 p.m.

a.) Pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(f): Discussion of a contract negotiation

Council gave City staff direction.

8. ADJOURN

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Rees motioned to exit executive session adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous. The City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Alisha Ballard

City Clerk



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES GARDINER CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, July 14, 2021 7:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hart at 7:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Council Present: Mayor Hart, Councilor Cusick, Councilor White, Councilor Rees, Councilor Berry, Councilor Frey, and Councilor Rines.

City Council Absent: Councilor Sergent.

Also present: Acting City Manager Anne Davis, City Clerk Alisha Ballard, Tax Collector Kathleen Cutler, and City Solicitor Jon Pottle.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. PETITIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

4. NEW BUSINESS

None

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

None

6. CITY COUNCIL REPORT

None

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Berry motioned to move into executive session at 7:30 p.m. Councilor Cusick seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous.

The City Council moved into executive session at 7:30 p.m.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

a.) Pursuant to M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(e): Consultations between a body or agency and its attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the body or agency, pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers and matters where the duties of the public body's or agency's counsel to the attorney's client pursuant to the code of professional responsibility clearly conflict with this subchapter or where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the State, municipality or other public agency or person at a substantial disadvantage.

Jon Pottle spoke briefly and provided a suggestion for a motion, that the Acting City Manager and legal Council be authorized to agree to a consent judgement regarding these two properties subject to Monday's hearings on terms and conditions that are in their judgement that are in the best interest for the City of Gardiner.

<u>Action:</u> Councilor Berry motioned to Jon Pottles suggested motion. Councilor Frey seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous.

8. ADJOURN

Action: Councilor Cusick motioned adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Councilor White seconded.

Mayor Hart asked for any discussion. Seeing none, a roll call was conducted. Unanimous. The City Council adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Alisha Ballard

City Clerk