



**Town of Hermon**

**Public Safety Meeting Room**

**October 5, 2017**

**Town Council Meeting**

**7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

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\*\*\*ALL ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE COUNCIL ACTION\*\*\*

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON**

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Thomas led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Steve Thomas, Doug Sinclair, Jeanne Jacques, John Snyder, Steve Watson, Donna Ellis and Timothy McCluskey

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Town Manager Howard Kroll, Donna Pulver and Josh Berry, Code Enforcement Officer

**IV. REVIEW CONSENT CALENDAR: REGULAR BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, SIGNATURES, And APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MINUTES. -APPROVE** September 7, 2017 and September 21, 2017

**WARRANTS. –SIGN** October 5, 2017

**QUIT CLAIMS – SIGN** M/L 023-040-000

**Councilor Jacques moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Councilor Ellis seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

*The motion carries.*



**V. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

**VI. PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENTS** (*Items Not Already on Agenda*)

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**#1. Hold Public Hearing** – 2017-2018 General Assistance Ordinance

**Chair Thomas opened the Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m. Town Manager Kroll explained the reason for the public hearing and the need to amend the General Assistance Ordinance to update the GA maximums for the Greater Bangor region that includes Hermon. He noted that the maximums from household size of 1 to 6 all were decreased by nearly \$100 per size of household. With no further discussion the public hearing closed at 7:05 p.m.**

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*None*

**IX. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. OLD BUSINESS**

**#2. Consider** approving 2017/2018 General Assistance Ordinance.

**Councilor Jacques moved to approve the General Assistance Ordinance. Councilor Ellis seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

*The motion carries.*

**#3. Consider** approving 2017/2018 Council Goals.

**Councilor Jacques moved to table the 2017/2018 goals until the 19 October 2017 meeting. Councilor Ellis seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion to table the 2017/2018 goals. .**

*The motion carries.*



**NEW BUSINESS**

**#4. Consider** approving and signing Special Town Meeting Warrant.

**Councilor Watson made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Warrant scheduled for 19 October 2017 @ 7 p.m.; Councilor Ellis seconded the motion. Councilor Watson made a motion to include the following article to the Warrant: “ Article 3. Shall the Town transfer \$7000 from the Coldbrook Business Park Phase II Escrow account to the Rural Fire Reserve Account (HERM31) for the purpose of funding future rural fire pond maintenance and repairs at the Business Park? Yes or No” Councilor Ellis made the motion to approve the amendment, motion passes by a vote of 7—0. Motion by Councilor Watson to approve the warrant as amended, motion seconded by Councilor Ellis. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

*The motion carries.*

**B. WORKSHOPS**

**NONE**

**D. OTHER ITEMS (from Table Package)**

**NONE**

**X. APPOINTMENTS**

**NONE**

**XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:**

**Manager mentioned that he would be hiring a new Recreation Director soon. The audit is going well with the auditor closing up the municipal side of the job. Manager also mentioned that the new 6 wheel truck would be delivered on Monday, 16 October 2017.**

**XII. FINAL PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENT (*Items Not Already on Agenda*)**

*None*

**XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS:**

**None**



**XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**#5. Executive Session** to consider a Personnel Matter per 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) – Position of Assessor

**Motion by Councilor Watson to enter into Executive Session to consider a personnel matter at 7:45 p.m., motion seconded by Councilor Ellis. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Council entered into executive session at 7:45 p.m.**

**Councilor Jacques made a motion to exit executive session at 8:38 p.m. and resume regular meeting. Councilor Ellis motion seconded. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Councilor Jacques made a motion to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Councilor Ellis motion seconded. A Roll Call vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.**

**Explanatory note #1:** All items in the CONSENT CALENDAR are considered routine and are proposed for adoption by the Town Council with one motion without DISCUSSION or deliberation. If DISCUSSION on any item is desired, any member of the Council or public may request the removal of an item for it to be placed in the regular agenda prior to the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

**Explanatory Note #2:** In the interest of effect decision-making: At 10:00 p.m., the Chairman shall poll the Council and Town Manager to identify remaining items which shall be carried forward to the next Regular Meeting.

**Explanatory Note #3:** A Councilor who feels the need for the Council excusing his/her absence will make the request to the Town Manager or the Town Clerk prior to the meeting.