

LONDONDERRY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 16, 2020

The meeting took place in the Londonderry High School Cafeteria, 295 Mammoth Rd, Londonderry, NH 03053.

Present: Chairman John Farrell; Vice Chairman Joe Green; Councilor Tom Dolan, Jim Butler and Deb Paul; Town Manager Kevin Smith; Executive Assistant Kirby Brown;
Absent: Assistant Town Manager Lisa Drabik

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Farrell called the Town Council meeting to order. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for those who serve us both here and abroad.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Farrell asked Chief O'Brien to remind everyone what the CDC regulations are in regards to wearing masks. Chief O'Brien stated that it is recommended that anyone inside a facility to wear a mask. People ages two and older should wear a mask in a public setting when around people who don't live with.

Chairman Farrell invited up Police Captain Chris Gandia to go over a conversation that was had between he and Chairman Farrell. Chairman Farrell stated that Captain Gandia and his wife Laura are involved with St. Gianni's Place, served on the board, but she has since resigned from the board, prior to himself resigning. Chairman Farrell stated that it is a home that is open for women in distress who are pregnant. Chairman Farrell stated that he has resigned from the board.

Chad Franz, Londonderry Budget Committee, stated that one of the members, Christine Patton, would like to continue to serve on the board but via telephone for the time being due to a family emergency/covid. The Budget Committee votes 6-1-0 (Patton did not vote) for Patton to be able to do that.

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34 Dan Bouchard, stated that there were a few comments that were made at the last Council
35 meeting regarding the tax rate. Bouchard stated that Councilor Paul brought up pay cuts.
36 Bouchard stated that when times were tough a long time ago, employees did take pay cuts.
37 Bouchard stated that that year at Town Meeting, once individual went back and reinstated
38 the pay increases for his department. That's how the town started using "restricting
39 reconsideration". Bouchard stated that he would like to see the Council be more intertwined
40 with the employees. He and his wife used to get cards and flowers from the Council when
41 kids were born, etc. Bouchard stated that every department should be looked at, including
42 Police and Fire.

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44 Marge Badois, Conservation Commission, stated that the Commission believes protecting
45 the water ways in Londonderry is the most important thing to do for future generations of
46 people and wildlife. Badois stated that public education is a big part of it. Badois stated that
47 they are mailing out a brochure to people who abut water ways. Badois passed our copies
48 to the Council.

PUBLIC HEARING

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52 **NONE**

NEW BUSINESS

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56 Chairman Farrell opened the budget workshop. Town Manager Smith followed up on few
57 items from Saturday's workshop. There was a questions about price per household on trash
58 and recycling. Smith stated the cost per household is about \$181 annually. Finance Director
59 Campo went over grants the town will be receiving. The Council and Budget Committee
60 thanked Campo on his work with grants. Smith went over the idea of having a maintenance
61 man for the town vehicles. Smith went over a few other budget items.

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63 Chairman Farrell stated that there will be a budget workshop on the 23rd where everything
64 will be addressed.

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67 Chairman Farrell introduced Ordinance #2020-05, an Ordinance relative to the municipal
68 code relating to the Traffic Safety Ordinance. This is a first reading. Motion to waive first
69 reading and schedule a public hearing for November 30th made by Vice Chairman Green
70 and second by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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72 Chairman Farrell introduced Ordinance #2020-06, an amendment to the Londonderry
73 Zoning Ordinance relative to elderly housing. This is a first reading. Motion to waive the
74 first reading and schedule a public hearing for November 30th made by Vice Chairman
75 Green and second by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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77 Chairman Farrell introduced Dianna Road, a request for a building permit in accordance
78 with RSA 674:41. Town Planner Colleen Mailloux presented. Mailloux stated that this is
79 for a building permit on a lot that does not have access or frontage on a classified or better
80 road. Mailloux stated that the variance was approved by the ZB in 2008 but allowed for the
81 creation of this lot and the Planning Board approved the subdivision creating the parcel in
82 2010. The Planning Board recommended, and is asking the Council to make a
83 recommendation to allow the building the inspector to issue a building permit following the
84 conditions. Councilor Paul asked what the difference is between this situation and the last
85 situation. Mailloux stated that the recommendations are the same, and on past applications.
86 Mailloux stated that this is consistently the recommendation that staff has made with the
87 Fire Department, it has to meet NFPA requirements. Mailloux stated that with this one, the
88 driveway is 200-300 ft. This is a much shorter driveway. The applicant will build the road
89 to get into the property and meet the NFPA requirements. Vice Chairman Green asked if
90 there was room for the apparatus to turn around as well. Mailloux stated the standard is a
91 turnaround be build every 1,300 feet and this does not exceed that criteria. The Fire
92 Department is confident that this lot meets the requirements. Motion to issue a permit for
93 Dianna Road with the conditions presented made by Councilor Dolan and second by
94 Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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96 Chairman Farrell introduced Resolution #2020-05 and Resolution #2020-06, Resolutions
97 relative to the acceptance of unanticipated revenue under RSA 31:95-b. Finance Director
98 Justin Campo presented. Motion to approve Resolution #2020-05 and Resolution #2020-06
99 made by Councilor Dolan and second by Vice Chairman Green. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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Chairman Farrell introduced Order #2020-16, an Order relative to the distribution of recreation Capital Reserve Funds. Campo presented and stated that this Order is to purchase a lawnmower to help assist with mowing all of the lawns in the upcoming spring season and summer. Motion to approve Order #2020-16 made by Vice Chairman Green and second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the Town Council minutes from October 19, 2020 made by Vice Chairman Green and second by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 5-0-0.

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Councilor Dolan and seconded by Vice Chairman Green. Chair votes 5-0-0.

Notes and Tapes by:	Kirby Brown	Date: 11/16/2020
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