



Town of Hermon

Public Safety Meeting Room

September 17, 2020

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

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Thomas led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL

Members Present: John Snyder III, Douglas “Doug” Sinclair Sr., Ronald “Ron” Murphy, Anthony “Tony” Reynolds, Charles Lever IV, Steven “Steve” Thomas

Members Absent: John Snyder III, and G. Stephen “Steve” Watson – both excused

Others Present: Town Manager Howard Kroll, Town Clerk Kristen Cushman, Joshua Berry and, Jim Chasse

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

SIGNATURES. –APPROVE

MINUTES. –APPROVE 9/3/2020 minutes, 9/3/2020 Special Town meeting

WARRANTS. –SIGN 9/18/2020

RESOLVES. –SIGN

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Councilor Lever seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.



V. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

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

Jim Chasse the Superintendent of Schools for Hermon introduced himself to the Council. Mr. Chasse lives in Veazie with his family. He was the principal of Carmel for 8 years and mentioned his first teaching job was in Hermon. Mr. Chasse stated the students are doing well with wearing masks. In addition Mr. Chasse stated Hermon is receiving an additional 700 thousand for childcare use for Hermon residents. Mr. Chasse wishes Gary the best on his retirement.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

IX. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

B. NEW BUSINESS:

O20-21-02 Consider approving GA Ordinance Appendices A-D for FY2020-2021

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve O20-21-02. Councilor Lever seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 5-0.

R20-21-06 Consider accepting Boxwood Lane (Boxwood Lane is the road in Bayberry Ridge Estate subdivision off the Fuller Rd, consisting of 1,650' of roadway and will provide for 16 house lots).

Councilor Reynolds moved to table R20-21-06. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was tabled. Motion was accepted unless doubted.

R20-21-07 Consider approving acceptance of an ordinance titled "Amendment to Chapter 154 Zone change to Tax Map 35 Lot 003 § 154-006 (b) of the Hermon Town Code

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve R20-21-07. Councilor Lever seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 5-0.

FR20-21-06 Consider using reserve account funds for paving expenses- Public Safety Bldg

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve FR20-21-06. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 5-0.



C. WORKSHOPS:

D. OTHER ITEMS: (from Table Package)

Councilor Reynolds moved to waive council rules and accept the table packet. Councilor Lever seconded the motion. The motion was accepted unless doubted.

B. NEW BUSINESS: FR20-21-07 Consider approving invoice in the amount of \$ 2,130.00 to replace a flow meter at Route 2/Odlin Road. This was approved during Annual Town Meeting 2019. Due to COVID-19 the project was moved several months into the new fiscal year.

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve FR20-21-07. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 5-0.

X. APPOINTMENTS:

Appoint Michael Chamings to Tax Collector

Appoint Annette Merrithew to Health Officer

XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:

Manager Kroll thanked the public for their continued patience while road projects are being done throughout the town. Examples: Billings Rd to Union St, Blackstream to Fuller Rd, Gardner construction with driveway aprons and culverts and Cousins Tree Service for cemetery work on downed trees. Town is exceeding excise tax collection for the first quarter of the fiscal year.

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

XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS:

Ron Murphy: Speed limit on the Fuller Road is excessive. This sparked a lot of discussion on this issue from past years. Tony stated the past two managers worked on speed limits issues with the State of Maine and with no avail. Councilor Sinclair agreed. Discussion continued with the need of a crosswalk by the Middle School over to School House Lane. The possibility of flashing a crosswalk light was mentioned. Manager Kroll was going to get back to the council.



XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Consider enter into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter per 1 M.S.R.A. 405(6)(E)

Executive session to be held at a later date.

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilor Reynolds moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36PM. Councilor Murphy gave seconded. With no objection the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Kristen Cushman
Town Clerk**

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.