



Town of Hermon
Public Safety Meeting Room
October 14, 2021
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, Ronald “Ron” Murphy, Charles Lever IV, Steven “Steve” Thomas, G. Stephen “Steve” Watson and Anthony “Tony” Reynolds

Members Absent: Phillip “Phil” Richardson - Excused

Others Present: Town Manager Howard Kroll, Town Clerk Kristen Cushman and 6 residents

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

SIGNATURES. –APPROVE

MINUTES. -APPROVE 9/16/2021

WARRANTS. –SIGN 10/1/2021 & 10/15/2021

RESOLVES. –SIGN

Councilor Snyder moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passes 6-0.

V. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:



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

Resident from Route 2/Hillcrest area spoke on the speeding on Route 2. She has called Penobscot Sheriff's office multiple times over the past few months for extra patrols in the area to help slow cars down.

Councilor Reynolds suggested moving the flashing speed limit sign to this area.

Councilor Murphy stated speeding is a problem throughout town. Mr. Murphy along with Manager Kroll and Sheriff Troy Morton have had discussions regarding stepping up patrols.

Jennifer and James Violette at 181 Fuller Rd – Came to the council meeting to introduce to the council their plan for recycling at their home for residents. The proposal will go in front of the planning board at their next meeting.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- **Hold Public Hearing -- Paul Glockner and Gina Bennett, M/L 025-038-000 (part of lot 38) zone change from Residential B to Residential A**

Jim Kiser from Kiser & Kiser gave an overview of the proposed zone change.

Chair Thomas opened the public hearing at 7:10PM. No public comments were given. The hearing closed at 7:13PM

- **Hold Public Hearing – T & M Contractors, M/L 036-017-000 (part of lot 17) zone change from Agricultural Forestry to Residential B**

Jim Kiser from Kiser & Kiser gave an overview of the proposed zone change.

Chair Thomas opened the public hearing at 7:14PM. No public comments were given. The hearing closed at 7:20PM

- **Hold Public Hearing – GA Ordinance Appendices A – H for FY 2021-2022**

Howard Kroll gave an overview of the proposed GA Ordinance Appendices A - H.

Chair Thomas opened the public hearing at 7:15PM. No public comments were given. The hearing closed at 7:27PM

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

IX. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:



A. OLD BUSINESS:

B. NEW BUSINESS:

R21-22-03 Consider approving **Paul Glockner and Gina Bennett**, Map 025 part of Lot 038-000 zone change from Residential B to Residential A - Blackstream Rd

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve R21-22-03. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 6-0.

R21-22-04 Consider approving **T & M Contractors**, Map 036 part of Lot 017-000 zone change from Agricultural Forestry & Residential B to all Residential B – Fuller Road

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve R21-22-04. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 5-1.

O21-22-04 Consider approving the amended Ordinance for the yearly General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-H for FY2021-2022

Councilor Watson moved to approve O21-22-04. Councilor Snyder seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 5-0.

R21-22-05 Approve the mill rate, due date and interest rate for 2021 taxes

Josh Berry, Assessor, stated there was an increase of 20 million in value to the town through real estate and personal property. There were 35 new homes built last year but not as many sheds or decks. Josh acknowledged the team including Lillian Smith and Rylee Cushman for all the hard work and making this commitment come together over the last year.

Councilor Reynolds moved to approve R21-22-05. Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 6-0.

C. WORKSHOPS:

D. OTHER ITEMS: (from Table Package)

X. APPOINTMENTS:

XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:



Manager Kroll thanked the staff for the work they have done on commitment and tax bills.

Today was the first Senior's Program since the shut down because of COVID. Thank you to Boulter Place for allowing residents to meet at their facility.

Public Works has started preparing for winter by getting the equipment ready for snow removal along with cemetery fall maintenance.

At the October 28th meeting, Manager Kroll and Scott Perkins will present information on an \$800,000.00 grant for future sewer work.

Thank you to the school for their efforts on COVID relief. It has not been easy.

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

XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS: None

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilor Murphy made a motion to adjourn the council meeting at 7:50 pm. Councilor Reynolds seconded. With no objection the council meeting was adjourned at 7:50 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.