

Fort Fairfield Town Council Meeting Minutes
Council Chambers
Wednesday, October 15, 2014
6:00 P.M.

Councilors: David McCrea, Jason Barnes, Robert Kilcollins, Susan LeVasseur and John Herold
Staff: Tim Goff, Tony Levesque, George Watson, Ella Leighton and William Schrader
Citizens: 8 including media

- I. Roll Call - Chair David McCrea asked that the record reflect all councilors are present.
- II. Prayer Tony Levesque offered the prayer
- III. Pledge to the Flag - All in attendance pledged their allegiance to the Flag.

- III. Public Comment Period NONE

- V. Correspondence and Reports
 - A. Licenses/Permits- Two liquor license, one for Knights of Columbus and the other for Canterbury Royale
 - B. Financial Report Mike First quarter complete with actual expenditures consistent with the budget. Our cash flow has improved compared to last year at this time. The difference is approximately \$200,000 due in large part to the check we received last month for being the developer of the new senior housing project. We will be accessing our Tax Anticipation Note by the end of the month to cover the County taxes. Expenses are pretty much on track for the first quarter.
 - C. Tri-Community Landfill Report Stev Rogeski The last meeting was September 19th. Mark Draper, Director for Tri-Community has met with the Maine Resource Committee and through this committee he took a trip to Quebec. He went to see two proto-types of projects that are running in British Columbia and they are still in the beginning and trail stages. He tries to constantly stay on top of the most modern ways of handling municipal waste. We also received \$83,000 from the MDEP reimbursement program that was set up a couple of years ago. We were really conservative in our budget with this income line. It was anticipated that we would get approximately \$130,000 total for the year, but when we did the budget we only carried a total of \$79,000.00.
 - D. Department Report: Highway George parked his new truck in the lot so that everyone would be able to see it, it is a great addition to our fleet. Total cost to get it on the road is under \$20,000.00. We should get 8-10 years of good service out of it. Another piece of equipment that was purchased at the State auction, two 5 yard stainless steel hoppers for \$1,000.00 each. We have invested another \$2,000.00 and made one 10 yard hopper, total approximately \$5,500.00 in this piece of equipment. A brand new one runs around \$18,000 and a steel one runs \$8,000 new and last about 8 years. Repairs this summer have been a little excessive. We have a 1994 CAT Loader that had its electrical connection short out and to repair this it cost \$5,000.00. Our equipment is aging and things are costly, just for a diesel tank it cost

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\$1,500.00. Labor about a month ago we had a gentlemen resign, we advertised this position and have decided not to higher at this time. We decided to use a retired person, for a part-time position. Materials because the councilors a couple of years ago elected not to pay the annual dues to NMDC, it was through them that we purchased our rock salt. With dues no longer being paid we no longer have a contract so we have not been able to purchase rock salt from the same company. George is working with the State of Maine DOT and may be able to

- B. Ratify nomination of Todd Maynard to FF Utilities Board of Trustees to fill the remainder of Fred

Motion: Susan LeVasseur moved to approve Todd Maynard to fill the remainder of Fred term as Trustee, this term will expire June 30, 2015

Second: Jason Barnes

Vote All affirmative

VIII. General Election

- A. Council Designation of opening and closing of polls
Rec. Open 8:00 AM and Close 8:00 PM

- B. Council Designation of central counting location
Rec. Town of Fort Fairfield Community Center

- C. Council Designation of voting polls location
Rec. Fort Fairfield Community Center

- D. Council Ratification of election warden
Rec. Becky Hersey, Warden

- E. Council Ratification of election warrants

- F. Council Ratification of election clerks and counters

Motion: Susan LeVasseur moved to approve A F as presented.

Second: John Herold

Vote All affirmative

VIII. Minutes: Council Meeting September 17, 2014

Motion: Susan LeVasseur moved to approve Minutes of September 17, 2014 as written.

Second: Jason Barnes

Vote All affirmative

IX. Warrants: #6 - \$91,502.77 and #7 - \$300,335.77

Motion: Jason Barnes moved to accept warrants #6 & #7 as presented.

Second: John Herold

Vote All affirmative

- X. Other Introduced William Schrader as the new full time police officer, who will begin with the department on October 17th. He is a 27 year veteran who is originally from New York and was last in a department in Florida. We want to welcome him.

XI. Executive Session 6:35 PM

Motion: John Herold moved to go into Executive Session to discuss

1 MRSA 405 (6) (C) Economic Development

Second: Susan LeVasseur

Vote All affirmative

Came out of executive session at 7:20 PM

No Action Taken

