

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BATH, MAINE

Wednesday, July 3, 2024, 6:00 PM

Councilors Present: Julie Ambrosino, Christopher Marks, Mary Ellen Bell, Terry Nordmann, Roo Dunn, Jennifer DeChant, Caitlin McCorkle, Miriam Johnson, and Megan Mansfield-Pryor

Councilors Absent: None

City Staff Present: Marc Meyers, City Manager; Darci Wheeler, City Clerk; Juli Millett, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager, Misty Parker, Economic and Community Director; Michael Bethea, IT; and Pete Compagna, BCTV

Call to Order: 6:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Presentations: 6:01pm

TIF Request Presentation

Public Comments: 6:44pm

Letter from Haley Blanco 70 Oliver Street in regard to Bath Housing 80 Congress project

Manager's Report: 6:46pm

Heritage Days Update
Library Park Fountain
Statue will not be on public display
Positive rabies case
Press Release

Committee Reports: 6:51pm

Councilor Ambrosino
Appointment Review
Interviews forthcoming
See in August

Councilor Dunn
Bath Water District
Annual audit
Hydrant density towns vs. rural

Councilor Bell
Climate Action

Resilient Bath

Public Hearings: 6:54pm

2024-75) Ordinance: Chapter 5 Business, Article 6 Taxicabs

No public comment closed at 6:54pm.

Consent Agenda: 6:54pm

(Items marked with an asterisk () on the agenda shall be considered routine matters not requiring debate. Any Councilor wishing to have any item marked with an asterisk removed from the Consent Agenda shall have the unlimited right to do so at any time prior to the vote by Council on the Consent Agenda. If such an item is removed from the Consent Agenda, it shall be dealt with in the normal course of the meeting.)*

2024-77) Minutes of the previous meetings of June 5, 2024, Regular Meeting, and June 12, 2024, Special Meeting (Motion to accept as presented)

Motion from Councilor Ambrosino to pull item 2024-78 from the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor Dunn. Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. The motion was approved.

YEAS: Councilors Ambrosino, Marks, Nordmann, Dunn, DeChant, McCorkle, Johnson, and Mansfield-Pryor.

Motion from Councilor Marks to accept the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilor McCorkle. Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. All were in favor of the consent agenda.

YEAS: Councilors Mansfield-Pryor, Johnson, McCorkle, DeChant, Dunn, Nordmann, Marks, and Ambrosino

2024-78) *Order: Approving ballot for MMA's Legislative Policy Committee

Marc Meyers, City Manager, provided background on the item responding to questions from Councilor Ambrosino.

Motion from Councilor Ambrosino to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Marks. Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. The order was approved.

YEAS: Councilors Ambrosino, Marks, Nordmann, Dunn, DeChant, McCorkle, Johnson, and Mansfield-Pryor.

Unfinished Business: 6:59pm

2024-75) Ordinance: Chapter 5 Business, Article 6 Taxicabs (second passage)

Marc Meyers, City Manager, provided background information on the Ordinance responding to questions and comments from Councilors Dunn and DeChant.

Motion from Councilor McCorkle to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Ambrosino. Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. The ordinance was approved unanimously.

YEAS: Councilors Mansfield-Pryor, Johnson, McCorkle, DeChant, Dunn, Nordmann, Marks, and Ambrosino

New Business: 7:03pm

2024-79) Order: Proposal for construction of McMann Athletic Complex Bathroom Building

Marc Meyers, City Manager, provided background on the item and responded to questions and comments from Councilors DeChant, Johnson, McCorkle, Dunn, Mansfield-Pryor, Ambrosino, and Marks.

Councilor Dunn made motion to accept as presented with a second made by Councilor Marks. After much conversation, Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. The order passed unanimously.

YEAS: Councilors Ambrosino, Marks, Nordmann, Dunn, DeChant, McCorkle, Johnson, and Mansfield-Pryor.

2024-80) Ordinance: Crosswalk on Summer Street (first passage)

Marc Meyers, City Manager, provided background information on the Ordinance responding to questions and comments from Councilors Ambrosino, Johnson, DeChant, Marks and Dunn.

Motion from Councilor Ambrosino to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Marks. Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. The ordinance was approved unanimously.

YEAS: Councilors Mansfield-Pryor, Johnson, McCorkle, DeChant, Dunn, Nordmann, Marks, and Ambrosino

2024-81) Appointments and Reappointments:
Rob Keeble appointment to Fire Station Building
Committee term to expire upon completion or termination
Sean Paulhus appointment to Fire Station Building
Committee term to expire upon completion or termination

Motion from Councilor Dunn to accept as a slate. Seconded by Councilor Ambrosino. Chair Bell called for a roll call vote. The approval passed with eight (8) yeas.

YEAS: Councilors Ambrosino, Marks, Nordmann, Dunn, DeChant, McCorkle, Johnson, and Mansfield-Pryor.

Councilor Comments: 7:32pm

Councilor Dunn
Celebrate Independence
Councilor Nordmann
Term to end after 9 years
Not intending to rerun

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Motioned by Councilor Ambrosino and seconded by Councilor McCorkle.

YEAS: Councilors Mansfield-Pryor, Johnson, McCorkle, DeChant, Dunn, Nordmann, Marks, and Ambrosino

Attested:

Darci Wheeler, City Clerk

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