



Regular City Council Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Meeting Location

- **In Person:** Council Chambers, Bath City Hall, 55 Front Street
- **Television:** BCTV Channel 14
- **Live Stream:** [BCTV 14 \(castus.tv\)](#)
- **ZOOM:** [Zoom Link](#)

1. Call to Order

Minutes:

The City of Bath City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers on December 3, 2025. Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Minutes:

Council members present: Julie Ambrosino, Christopher Marks, Jean Guzzetti, Jane Nordmann, Roo Dunn, Jennifer DeChant, Caitlin McCorkle, Leiha Lynn, and Megan Mansfield-Pryor

Staff present: City Manager Marc Meyers, City Clerk Darci Wheeler, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Juli Millett, Economic and Community Development Director Misty Parker, Police Chief Andrew Booth and, Digital Media Specialist Pete Compagna.

4. Presentations

Minutes:

The presentation was postponed until December 17, 2025.

a. Bath Iron Works Transportation Initiatives

5. Public Comments

Minutes:

Seeing no public comment, Chair Dunn closed at 6:09pm.

6. Manager's Report

Minutes:

City Manager Marc Meyers announced that parking bans will now be issued on a storm-by-storm basis and can be viewed on the City's website, social media channels, and local radio. He also noted that alternate parking locations are available. He reported that the BIW Transportation Initiatives presentation has been moved to the Special Meeting scheduled for December 17th. Additionally, the Planning Board meeting originally set for December 2nd has been rescheduled to December 9th due to weather.

7. Committee Reports

Minutes:

Chair Dunn reported that the Bath Water District held their annual meeting where Cal Stilphen was reelected chair. The Sagadahoc County Budget Advisory Committee had its preliminary meeting. Council will receive details regarding attendance at the December 17th meeting workshop.

Councilor DeChant presented the report for Main Street Bath and Old-Fashioned Christmas. Weekly events can be found on the City website. She explained that Bright Night Bath will be held this Friday, 12/5. Economic Development Committee is continuing to have discussion around Parklets and will have notes for the Transportation Committee to review. Food trucks will be a focus in the new year. Housing Committee met and talked about the work plan for 2026. A presentation by the City Clerk regarding General Assistance.

Councilor McCorkle reported that the Recreation committee about the progress of the new seating area at Goddards' Pond and donations are still being accepted. The skate rental program is open. This program loans skates for the season at no cost.

8. Public Hearings

a. 2025-114) Liquor License Approval for Lady Oyster, LLC

Minutes:

Chair Dunn opened the public hearing at 6:18. There was no public comment. He closed the public hearing at 6:18.

Councilor Ambrosino moved to accept the Liquor License as presented with a second made by Councilor Marks.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Ambrosino, Marks, Guzzetti, Nordmann, Dunn, DeChant, McCorkle, Lynn, and Mansfield-Pryor. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Item # 2025-114 was approved.

9. Consent Agenda

- a. (2025-115) *Minutes of the previous meetings of November 5, 2025, Regular Meeting and November 19, 2025, Special Meeting**
- b. 2025-116) *Order: Appointing Warden and Ward Clerk for 2026 Municipal Elections**
- c. 2025-117) *Order: Adopting Robert's Rules of Order for parliamentary procedure**
- d. 2025-118) *Order: Adopting Council Working Rules and Regulations**

10. Unfinished Business

- a. 2025-66) Ordinance: Land Use Code Amendment, Article 8, Section 8.11,**

Article 9, various sections, Marine Business District (C5)

Minutes:

City Manager Marc Meyers presented Ordinance #2025-66 for first passage. Councilor Ambrosino motioned for item to be on floor, seconded by Councilor Guzzetti. Mandy Reynolds, along with Vanessa Farr gave a brief presentation regarding the project and responded to questions/comments from Councilors Marks, and Guzzetti. Misty Parker, Director of Economic and Community Development gave additional information. Further Council comments were provided by Councilors Marks, DeChant, Dunn, McCorkle, and Ambrosino. Public comment was opened and the following people participated: John Fitzgerald, minority partner of Cannery Group, in support Bill Braman, 23 York Street, in support Jamie Dorr, Nonprofit executive director and resident, in support Joshua Langlais, 450 Washington Street, in support Morgan Miller, 450 Washington Street, in support Jim Strickland, Union and Co Tenant, in support John Morse, property owner, in support Jay Els, 285 Front Street, in support Councilors Dunn, Guzzetti, McCorkle, Ambrosino, Marks, and Dechant provided final Council comment/questions with Mandy Reynolds, Vanessa Farr, and Marc Meyers answering. Councilors Ambrosino, Mansfield-Pryor, and Guzzetti stated final comments.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Ambrosino, Marks, Guzzetti, Nordmann, DeChant, McCorkle, Lynn, Mansfield-Pryor and Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Ordinance #2025-79 will be presented for second passage on January 7, 2026.

11. New Business

Minutes:

Chair Dunn explained that we would be introducing Item 2025-120 before 2025-119.

a. 2025-119) Order: Authorizing acceptance of 2026 Maine Bureau of Highway Safety Traffic Safety Enforcement sub-grant awards

Minutes:

Police Chief Andrew Booth presented Order #2025-119. Councilor Marks motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilor McCorkle. He responded to questions/comments by Councilors Mansfield-Pryor and Chair Dunn. There was no public or final Council comment.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Ambrosino, Marks, Guzzetti, Nordmann, DeChant, Lynn, Mansfield-Pryor, and Chair Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Order #2025-119 approved.

b. 2025-120) Order: Approving appropriation of City Council contingency for a crossing guard

Minutes:

City Manager Marc Meyers presented Item #2025-120. Councilor Nordmann motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilor Mansfield-Pryor. Initial Council comments were provided by Councilors Ambrosino and Marks. Krista Perow along with her son made public comment with their support of the crossing guard.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Mansfield-Pryor, Lynn, McCorkle, DeChant, Nordmann,

Guzzetti, Marks, Ambrosino, and Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.
#2025-120 approved.

c. 2025-121) Order: Approving appropriation of BIW TIF funds for Front and Elm streetscape project

Minutes:

Director of Economic and Community Development Misty Parker presented Order #2025-121. Councilor Guzzetti motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilor Ambrosino. She responded to questions/comments by Chair Dunn, McCorkle, and Ambrosino. There was no public or final Council comment.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Ambrosino, Marks, Guzzetti, Nordmann, DeChant, McCorkle, Lynn, Mansfield-Pryor, and Chair Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Order #2025-121 approved.

d. 2025-122) Order: Setting meetings of the City Council for 2026

Minutes:

Chair Dunn presented Order #2025-122. Councilor McCorkle motioned to move to floor, seconded by Councilor Mansfield-Pryor. Councilor Guzzetti made a motion to amend the Order by removing June 17th from the calendar.

Seconded by Councilor Mansfield-Pryor.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Ambrosino, Marks, Guzzetti, Nordmann, DeChant, McCorkle, Lynn, Mansfield-Pryor and Chair Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Amendment passed.

Then roll call vote was taken for Order #2025-122 as amended.

Councilor McCorkle made comment regarding the Customs House.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Mansfield-Pryor, Lynn, McCorkle, DeChant, Nordmann, Guzzetti, Marks, Ambrosino, and Chair Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Order #2025-122 approved.

e. 2025-123) Appointments and Reappointments:

Minutes:

Chair Dunn presented Item #2025-123. Councilor McCorkle motioned to approve as a slate, seconded by Councilor DeChant.

Councilor Mansfield-Pryor noted that they should be all reappointments and City Clerk Darci Wheeler agreed that she was correct.

Roll call Vote: AYES: Ambrosino, Marks, Guzzetti, Nordmann, DeChant, McCorkle, Lynn, Mansfield-Pryor, and Chair Dunn. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Item #2025-123 approved.

12. Councilor Comments

Minutes:

Councilor Lynn shared her happiness being elected to Council.

13. Executive Session

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Councilor Marks motioned to move to Executive Session at 8:10pm, seconded by

Councilor Ambrosino.

a. Real Estate per 1 MRS §405(6)(C)

14. Adjournment

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Councilor Ambrosino motioned to adjourn at 8:15pm, seconded by Chair Dunn.