

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

Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 6:00 PM

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

Councilors Absent: Jennifer DeChant

City Staff Present: Marc Meyers, City Manager; Darci Wheeler, City Clerk; Julie Millett, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager, Lawrence Renaud, Fire Chief; and Pete Compagna, BCTV

Call to Order: 6:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Presentations: 6:12pm

Council Proclamation Susan M. Bauer
Council Recognitions Phyllis Bailey and Elizabeth Dingley
Bath Housing Authority Presentation

Public Comments: None

Manager's Report: 6:03pm

LED Streetlight project
600 converted
Concerns can be forwarded to Public Works or website
Electric Vehicle Charging
Since 2/1 all but 1 day being utilized

Public Hearings: None

Consent Agenda: 6:31pm

(Items as marked with an asterisk () on the agenda shall be considered routine matters not requiring debate. In the case of items marked with an asterisk, the motion as stated in parenthesis following the items on the agenda shall be considered to have been passed by the City Council as part of the Consent Agenda. 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.)*

2024-14) *Minutes of the previous meetings of January 3, 2024, Regular Meeting, and January 17, 2024, Special Meeting (Motion to accept as presented)

Motion from Councilor Dunn to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Ambrosino. The consent agenda was unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: 6:31pm

2024-15) Order: Notice of Election

Darci Wheeler, City Clerk, provided background on the item.

Motion from Councilor Marks to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Johnson. It was unanimously approved.

2024-16) Order: Registrar of Voters Hours

Darci Wheeler, City Clerk, provided background on the item. She responded to questions and comments from Councilor Dunn.

Motion from Councilor Johnson to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Mansfield-Pryor. It was unanimously approved.

2024-17) Order: Approving Agreement for the Owner's Representative for the new fire station

Marc Meyers, City Manager, provided background on the item. He responded to questions and comments from Councilors Dunn, Ambrosino, Mansfield-Pryor, and Bell. Lawrence Renaud, Fire Chief, provided further information to the Council.

Public comments were made by Mike Plaisted of Allen Street regarding clarification of who Bernstein Shur is and their role.

Motion from Councilor Dunn to amend the RFP by adding the firm Colliers, the firm and not to exceed \$577,485. Seconded by Councilor Marks. It was unanimously approved.

Motion from Councilor Nordmann to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Ambrosino. It was unanimously approved.

2024-18) Order: BIW water meter infrastructure

Marc Meyers, City Manager, provided background on the item.

Motion from Councilor Ambrosino to accept as presented. Seconded by Councilor Mansfield-Pryor. It was unanimously approved.

2024-19) Appointments and Reappointments:

Brian Hatch reappointment to Personnel Service Commission term to expire January 2027

Marsha Knowles reappointment to Bath Housing Authority term to expire February 2029

Nancy Sferra appointment to Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee term to expire May 2026

Barbara West appointment to Community Forestry Committee term to expire October 2024

Motion from Councilor Ambrosino to accept as a slate. Seconded by Councilor Marks. It was unanimously approved.

Committee Reports: 6:57pm

Councilor Dunn
Facilities Committee
Council Chambers Renovation
Councilor Ambrosino
Bike and Pedestrian Committee

Councilor Comments: 7:00pm

Councilor Ambrosino
Winterfest 2/24
Councilor Dunn
Passing of Martha Mayo

Motioned by Councilor Ambrosino and seconded by Councilor Marks to move into Executive Session. It was unanimously approved.

Executive Session: 7:02pm

Real Estate Matters per 1 MRSA §405(6)(C)
Legal per 1 MRS §405(6)(E)

Motioned by Councilor Dunn to leave Executive Session at 7:49pm. Seconded by Councilor Marks.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

Motioned by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Mansfield-Pryor. All were in favor.

Adjournment

Attested:
Darci Wheeler, City Clerk

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