



**Winthrop Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday August 2, 2021  
Town Office  
17 Highland Avenue  
And Via Zoom  
7:00 PM Business Meeting  
Zoom Opens at 6:30 PM**

**Call To Order – Roll Call**

X Chair Sarah Fuller, X Vice-Chair Andy Wess,  
X Councilor Barbara Alexander, X Councilor Linda Caprara,  
X Councilor Priscilla Jenkins,     Councilor Rita Moran, X Councilor Elizabeth Peters X

**Item 94** Consideration of approving minutes of meetings held [June 7, 2021](#) and [July 12, 2021](#) and sign disbursement warrants.

**Motion:** Jenkins                      **Second:** Wess                      **Vote:** 6/0

**Item 95** Finance Reports from Previous Month

[Revenues](#) [Expenses](#) [GL Balances](#) [Other Funds](#)

**Item 96** Public Hearing: [Proposed Mooring Ordinance](#).

Open: 7:03 pm

Councilor Wess explained that over the last few years there have been issues regarding moorings with property owners, public unregulated properties, and private parking. We came up with something minimal so we do not have to incur the expense of hiring a harbormaster. This ordinance can be used as a tool for the person that will take over the responsibility of settling these disputes and looking after the environment.

Chairperson Fuller explained that the council wants people to use and enjoy the lakes and recreate safely. We do recognize the need to increase marina and docking space; this is being worked on through grants and allocations.

After hearing multiple concerns, comments, thoughts and ideas from community members, it was decided that this item will not be voted on tonight and that a workgroup made-up of all stakeholders will be established.

Close: 8:34 pm

**Item 97** Consideration of Proposed Mooring Ordinance.

**Motion:** Move to **TABLE** pending input from a workgroup made up of all stakeholders.

**Motion:** Jenkins                      **Second:** Alexander                      **Vote:** 4/2 Wess and Peters

**Item 98** Consideration of Remote Meeting Policy.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to adopt Remote Meeting Policy.

Town Manager Kobrock advised that there was concern that this applied too specifically to the Council only. It has been amended to reflect it includes any board, commission or committee that falls under the state's Freedom of Access Act.

**Motion:** Alexander                      **Second:** Peters                      **Vote:** 6/0

**Item 99** Second Reading of the [Proposed Parking Ordinance Amendments](#).

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve the Proposed Parking Ordinance Amendments.

Town Manager Kobrock advised that we had a first reading of this ordinance at a recent meeting. After reviewing the recording, it is not clear that we waived the second the reading or acted otherwise.

**Motion:** Wess                      **Second:** Peters                      **Vote:** 6/0

**Other Business:**

**Item 100** MMA Candidates and Elections

Suggested Motion: Move to approve the slate of candidates as proposed.

**Motion:** Wess                      **Second:** Alexander                      **Vote:** 6/0

Councilor Jenkins - There will be a Winthrop 250th-celebration barbeque and picnic at the Legion/Norcross Point area. The celebration will include fireworks.

Councilor Alexander – The Rotary is sponsoring a COVID-19 vaccination clinic on August 21 at Sully’s. Maine General will be providing the vaccinations.

Manager is Report:

The lighting needs for the municipal (library) parking lot is underfunded. We were working with an estimate that is several years old was \$5,000. The current quotes are coming in close to \$30,000; leaving at gap of \$25,000. The library has their \$5000 that was budget.

We have experienced unusual deals as we purchased vehicle and equipment with this year budget. It is likely we have \$25,000 in available funds that we have already borrowed for our capital needs this year. We need to rededicate \$25,000 to the municipal lot lighting.

**Motion:** To allocate \$25,000 from already committed borrowed funds, due to savings, to funding the lighting needs of the new municipal parking lot.

**Motion by:** Alexander                      **Second:** Jenkins                      **Vote:** 6/0

Part of our capital purchases this year is a new sidewalk plow and snow blower (trackless machine). Our current 1990 machine does not have much value as a trade-in but it does have a value of \$14,000 on the open market. It is our plan to sell it. We would like to use \$10,000 of these funds to purchase a compactor.

**Motion:** To permit the Town Public Works Department to use \$10,000 to purchase a compactor.

**Motion by:** Wess                              **Second:** Jenkins                      **Vote:** 6/0

Adjourn.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to adjourn meeting at 8:58 pm

**Motion by:** Wess                              **Second:** Peters                      **Vote:** 6/0