

Winthrop Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, November 5, 2018 - Town Office  
17 Highland Avenue  
7:00 PM

7:00 PM Business Meeting: Call To Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Roll Call

All Present: Chairperson Sarah Fuller, Vice-Chairperson Linda Caprara, Councilor Priscilla Jenkins @7:05,  
Councilor Barbara Buck, Councilor Rita Moran, Councilor Andy Wess,  
Councilor Scott Eldridge

**Item 111** The Council approved council meeting minutes for July 9, and sign disbursement warrants

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve council meeting minutes for July 9, 2018

**Motion:** Moran      **Second:** Eldridge      **Vote:** 6-0 passes

**Item 112** The Council signed three quit claim deeds for satisfied tax obligations, per a list dated November 5, 2018 for years 2012, 2013, 2014 all for Map 054, Lot 045-000-025.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to sign three quit claim deeds per a list dated November 5, 2018

**Motion:** Moran      **Second:** Wess      **Vote:** 6-0 passes

**Item 113** To present the 2018 Spirit of America Award to Stephen and Margy Knight

**Item 114** The Council conducted a public hearing on an application for renewal of an Automobile Graveyard and /or Junkyard permit for 2018-2019 for Ernest and Sharon Flaherty, 67 Soper Rd. (Map 1 Lot 41)

Hearing Open: 7:10 PM  
Hearing Closed: 7:10 PM

Code Enforcement Officer Mark Arsenault made notification to neighbors and received no calls relating to the issue.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve application for renewal of the Automobile Graveyard and/or Junkyard permit for the year 2018-2019 for Ernest and Sharon Flaherty, 67 Soper Road, Winthrop (Map 1 Lot 41)

**Motion:** Jenkins      **Second:** Wess      **Vote:** 7-0 passes

**Item 115** The Council conducted a public hearing on a liquor license renewal application from American Legion Post #40

Hearing Open: 7:11 PM  
Hearing Closed: 7:11 PM

Ryan Frost reported no issues.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve the liquor license for American Legion Post #40

**Motion:** Caprara      **Second:** Moran      **Vote:** 7-0 passes

**Item 116** The Council conducted a public hearing for a Special Amusement Permit for American Legion Post #40

Hearing Open: 7:12 PM  
Hearing Closed: 7:12 PM

Ryan Frost reported no issues

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve the Special Amusement Permit for American Legion Post #40

**Motion:** Caprara      **Second:** Jenkins      **Vote:** 7-0 passes

**Item 117** The Council conducted a public hearing on a liquor license renewal application from Peppers Garden and Grill, LLC;

Hearing Open: 7:13 PM  
Hearing Closed: 7:14 PM

Ryan Frost reported no issues

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve the liquor license for Peppers Garden and Grill, LLC

**Motion:** Caprara      **Second:** Jenkins      **Vote:** 7-0 passes

**Item 118** The Council conducted a public hearing for a Special Amusement Permit for Pepper's Garden and Grill, LLC

Hearing Open: 7:14 PM  
Hearing Closed: 7:14 PM

Ryan Frost reported no issues. Mark Arsenault had no comments to offer

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve the Special Amusement Permit for Pepper's Garden and Grill, LLC

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Second:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Vote:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Item 119** The Council conducted a public hearing to consider a Moratorium Ordinance regarding Medical Retail Stores, Dispensaries, Testing Facilities, and Manufacturing Facilities

Hearing Open: 7:15 PM

Hearing Closed: 7:17 PM

No discussion

**Suggested Motion:** Move to approve the first reading of the Marijuana Moratorium Ordinance regarding Medical Retail Stores, Dispensaries, Testing Facilities, and Manufacturing Facilities

**Motion:** Caprara    **Second:** Eldridge    **Vote:** 7-0 passes

**OPTIONAL: Waive Second Reading**

**Suggested Motion:** Move to waive the second reading on the proposed Marijuana Moratorium Ordinance regarding Medical Retail Stores, Dispensaries, Testing Facilities, and Manufacturing Facilities

Councilor Moran stated that the second reading should be held to allow for public comment.

**Motion:** Caprara    **Second:** Buck    **Vote:** 6-1 passes / Moran

**Item 120** The Council considered approving a donation to the Winthrop Ambulance Service

**Suggested Motion:** Move to accept a donation from Bob's Discount Furniture in the amount of \$2,500 to the Winthrop Ambulance Service

Chief Deputy Josh Wheeler applied for and received a grant on behalf of the Town from Bob Discount for use in purchasing furniture for the ambulance station.

**Motion:** Caprara    **Second:** Buck    **Vote:** 7-0

**Item 121** The Council heard of a Maine Municipal Safety Grant awarded to the police department; and to approve match funding

Ryan Frost applied for and received a grant on behalf of the Town from Maine Municipal for traffic cones and barricades for use at the police department. The grant will pay for two-thirds of the cost and the town will use safety funds for their third of the cost.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to authorize the use of town safety funds in the amount of \$940 as a match to the Maine Municipal Safety Grant award to the police department of \$1,880

**Motion:** Caprara    **Second:** Jenkins    **Vote:** 7-0 passes

**Item 122** To consider entering executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405(6) (A) (1) to discuss a personnel matter

**Suggested Motion:** Move to enter executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6) (A) (1) to discuss a personnel matter.

**Motion:** Caprara      **Second:** Eldridge      **Vote:** 7-0 passes at 7:32 PM

Exit

**Motion:** Move to exit from Executive Session

**Motion by:** Jenkins      **Second:** Wess      **Vote:** 7-0 passes at 8:24 PM

Other Business:

Carl Swanson mentioned the passing of longtime and former resident John Osborne.

Sarah Fuller noted that Vander Brew would be hosting an open house on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Ginny Geyer stated that the Board of Education would be having a meeting with RSU 2 staff on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the High School Library.

Manager's Report:

- Police will conduct speed surveys on Annabessacook Rd, Highland Heights & Narrows Pond Road.
- CMP/Consolidated Agreement – Pole Mounted Dynamic Speed Board has been signed
- Engine 2 repairs to cost \$15,000 rather than an estimate of \$10,000. Chief Brooks will work to keep this cost within the fire department budget.
- Touch a Truck & Trunk & Treat went very well.
- Maranacook Drill – Winthrop Police, Fire and Ambulance participated in the Maranacook Schools Safety Drill.

Adjourn.

**Suggested Motion:** Move to adjourn meeting at 8:24 pm

**Motion by:** Caprara      **Second:** Buck      **Vote:** 7-0 passes