



**Winthrop Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday February 1, 2021
6:00 PM Executive Session**

Open Session at the Conclusion of Executive Session– Approximately 7:00 PM

Call To Order – Roll Call

X Chair Sarah Fuller, X Vice-Chair Andy Wess,
X Councilor Barbara Alexander, X Councilor Linda Caprara (arrived at 6:20 pm),
X Councilor Priscilla Jenkins X Councilor Rita Moran (arrived at 6:20 pm),
X Councilor Elizabeth Peters

Item 9 Consideration of entering Executive Session

Suggested Motion: Move to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C) to discuss Disposition of Real Estate

Motion: Wess **Second:** Alexander **Vote:** 5/0

Time Entered 6:00 pm

Item 10 Consideration of leaving Executive Session

Motion: Wess **Second:** Jenkins **Vote:** 5/0

Time Exit: 6:30 pm

To authorize the Manager to execute a release deed and documents associated with maintaining 30-foot easement right-of-way to settle a land dispute as discussed in executive session in the proximity of the closed landfill.

Motion: Alexander **Second:** Wess **Vote:** 5/0
(Councilors Caprara and Moran did not vote, as they did not attend the executive session)

Item 11 Consideration of minutes from [January 4](#) and [January 25](#), 2021

After discussion, it was decided that the Manager’s Report/ Norcross Point Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant section of the January 4, 2021 meeting minutes will be edited to reflect that Councilor Alexander expressed concerns.

Suggested Motion: Move to minutes from January 4 and January 25, 2021

Motion: Alexander

Second: Moran

Vote: 7-0

Item 12 Discussion of a [Moorings Ordinance](#)

Councilor Wess updated the group about the findings he and his committee came up with while evaluating the need for dock refurbishment and the growing mooring fields at the end of Maranacook. This is an introduction to the Council before starting to develop a draft ordinance.

Item 13 Update: Winthrop's Response to Covid/Emergency Management Agency (EMA)
[Report](#)

Town Manager Kobrock discussed the Town's response to COVID. He advised a great deal of time has been spent researching and discussing vaccines scheduling, policies that may need to be adopted to regulate vaccines within the employee group, quarantining within departments, the updating of the travel policy to reflect the CARES Act expiring, tracking trends and indicators for hospitalizations and infection rates because they were increasing dramatically.

Councilor Jenkins discussed the current program for appointments at the town office and the scheduling of appointments two weeks out. She asked if there was anything we can do to make the scheduling of appointments two weeks out different, two weeks seems really slow to her.

She also asked if there is a possibility of having a COVID vaccination clinic in town.

Councilor Alexander asked about the upcoming election on March 9. She asked how will we handle the people that like to vote at the town office prior to March 9? Chairperson Fuller advised that this will be discussed this week and a public announcement will be made of what will be in place at a later date.

Other Business:

Carl Swanson, Secretary of the Winthrop, Maine Historical Society, thanked the Council for voting to donate \$10,000 to the Society. The funds were received last week and will go a long way in helping the Society purchase the Key Bank Building.

Manager's Report:

Update: Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant ([LWCF](#))

Thanked Councilor Wess for getting together an ad hoc committee to help with this grant. We are in the process of scheduling our first meeting.

Other

December Financial Reports [Revenues](#) [Expenses](#) [GL Balances](#) [Other Funds](#)

January (preliminary) Financial Reports [Revenues](#) [Expenses](#) [GL Balances](#) [Other Funds](#)

Adjourn.

Suggested Motion: Move to adjourn meeting at 8:09 pm

Motion by: Jenkins

Second: Wess

Vote: 7/0