

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BANGOR CITY COUNCIL – AUGUST 10, 2015

*Meeting Called to Order at 7:35 PM
 Chaired by Council Chair Durgin
 Absent: Councilors Blanchette and Plourde
 Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 PM*

RECOGNITION

Recognized The Senior League World Series

Recognized August 14, 2015 as the 80th Anniversary of the Signing of the Social Security Act

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul LeClair stated he had taken papers out to run for City Council.

Michael Alpert suggested that the City Council send a proclamation or letter to the Legislature or the Governor in support of increasing the minimum wage to a living wage. Council Baldacci invited Mr. Alpert to the Business and Economic Development Committee meeting scheduled for August 18th which included a discussion on minimum wage. Councilors Civiello and Nealley agreed with the idea of sending a proclamation or letter to the state government.

**CONSENT AGENDA
 ITEM NO.**

**ASSIGNED TO
 COUNCILOR**

MINUTES OF: *Bangor City Council Regular Meeting of July 27, 2015, Finance Committee Meetings of July 27, 2015 and August 3, 2015, Government Operations Committee Meetings of July 20, 2015 and August 3, 2015, and Business and Economic Development Committee Meetings of May 5, 2015, May 19, 2015 and June 2, 2015*

Action: Accepted and Approved

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL: *Application for Liquor License Renewal, Malt, Spirituous, Vinous of Dorks R Us d/b/a Bangor Courtyard Marriott, 236 Sylvain Road* **GRAHAM**

Action: Approved

Application for Liquor License Renewal, Malt, Spirituous, Vinous of Apple New England LLC d/b/a Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar, 718 Hogan Road **GRAHAM**

Action: Approved

Application for Liquor License Renewal, Malt, Spirituous, Vinous of the Fiddlehead Restaurant LLC d/b/a The Fiddlehead Restaurant, 84 Hammond Street **GRAHAM**

Action: Approved

15-270 ORDER *Authorizing Execution of Municipal Quitclaim Deed – Real Estate Located at 7 I Street, Birch Hill Estates (Map B39, Lot 2)* **GRAHAM**

Action: Passed

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**CONSENT AGENDA
ITEM NO.**

**ASSIGNED TO
COUNCILOR**

15-271 ORDER *Authorizing Contract for the Purchase of Single Axle Cab & Chassis from Daigle & Houghton in the amount of \$162,874* **CIVIELLO**

Action: Passed

15-272 ORDER *Authorizing Contract for the Purchase of Plow Equipment & Truck Bodies from HP Fairfield in the amount of \$247,398 from HP Fairfield in the amount of \$103,840.00* **NEALLEY**

This item was moved from the Consent Agenda to New Business.

15-273 ORDER *Authorizing Contract for the Purchase of a Sidewalk Tractor* **BALDACCI**

Action: Passed

15-274 ORDER *Accepting an \$11,758.00 Amendment to the WIC Nutrition Program Grant* **CIVIELLO**

Action: Passed

15-275 ORDER *Authorizing Execution of Test Boring Agreement with FGS/CMT, Inc.* **FAIRCLOTH**

Action: Passed

15-276 RESOLVE *Ratifying Execution of Electricity Supply Contract(s) with Maine Power Options* **SPRAGUE**

Action: Passed

15-277 RESOLVE *Ratifying Staff Action for Submitting Grant Applications to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection for Funding of Culvert Crossing, State Street/Woodlawn Brook* **PLOURDE**

Action: Passed

**REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE AND FIRST READING
ITEM NO.**

**ASSIGNED TO
COUNCILOR**

15-278 ORDINANCE *Amending Chapter 165, Land Development Code, of the Code of the City of Bangor, By Instituting a Pre-Application Meeting for Major Projects* **BALDACCI**

Action: First Reading and Referral to Planning Board meeting of August 18, 2015

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
ITEM NO**

**ASSIGNED TO
COUNCILOR**

15-265 ORDINANCE *Amending Map Entitled “Downtown Parking Management District” by
Creating Two 15 Minute Parking Spaces on Columbia Street and
Merchants Plaza* **GRAHAM**

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Passage
Vote: 7 – 0
Councilors Voting Yes: Baldacci, Civiello, Faircloth, Graham,
Nealley, Sprague, Durgin
Councilors Voting No: None
Passed*

15-266 ORDINANCE *Amending Chapter 223, Property Maintenance, of the Code of the City
of Bangor, By Clarifying the Procedure for Disposition of
Uninhabitable Buildings* **FAIRCLOTH**

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Passage
Vote: 7 – 0
Councilors Voting Yes: Baldacci, Civiello, Faircloth, Graham,
Nealley, Sprague, Durgin
Councilors Voting No: None
Passed*

PUBLIC HEARING:

15-267 ORDER *Authorizing Issuance of \$1,739,000 of the City’s General Obligation
Bonds and a Tax Levy Therefor* **SPRAGUE**

*Action: Motion made and seconded to Open Public Hearing
Public Hearing Opened*

*A lady in the audience asked what the interest rate was. Finance
Director, Debbie Cyr, indicated that the bonds would be sold in the
Spring of 2016 and amortized over 12-15 years with an anticipated
interest rate between 2 ½ and 2 ¾ over the life of the debt.*

*Paul LeClair asked what the city’s total debt was. Ms. Cyr said it was
between \$145-146,000,000 with a large portion of the debt held by the
treatment plant and airport which debt is supported by non tax dollars
and fees for service. Councilor Baldacci mentioned that part of the
Cross Insurance Center debt was paid by non tax dollars also.*

*Motion made and seconded to Close Public Hearing
Public Hearing Closed
Motion made and seconded for Passage
Passed*

PUBLIC HEARING:

15-268 ORDER *Authorizing a Loan in the Amount of \$3,870,000 from the Maine
Municipal Bond Bank State Revolving Fund, and the Issuance of the
City’s General Obligation Bonds and a Tax Levy Therefor* **BALDACCI**

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*Action: Motion made and seconded to Open Public Hearing
Public Hearing Opened
Motion made and seconded to Close Public Hearing
Public Hearing Closed
Motion made and seconded for Passage
Passed*

15-269 RESOLVE *Accepting and Appropriating a \$602,941 Healthy Maine Partnership Grant from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to Respond to Public Health Issues* **CIVIELLO**

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Passage
Passed*

**NEW BUSINESS
ITEM NO.**

**ASSIGNED TO
COUNCILOR**

15-272 ORDER *Authorizing Contract for the Purchase of Plow Equipment & Truck Bodies from HP Fairfield in the amount of \$247,398* **NEALLEY**

Lisa Goodwin, City Clerk, noted that there was a clerical error in the title and the wording should be as stated above.

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Passage
Passed*

LIQUOR LICENSE: *Application for Liquor License Renewal, Malt, Spirituous, Vinous of Half Acre Inc. d/b/a Half Acre Nightclub, 190 Harlow Street #D* **GRAHAM**
(CLASS X)

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Approval
Approved*

PUBLIC HEARING: *Application for Special Amusement License Renewal of Half Acre Inc. d/b/a Half Acre Nightclub, 190 Harlow Street #D* **GRAHAM**

*Action: Motion made and seconded to Open Public Hearing
Public Hearing Opened*

Paul LeClair asked for a definition of the special amusement. Councilor Graham said the application was for a disc jockey and dancing.

*Motion made and seconded to Close Public Hearing
Public Hearing Closed
Motion made and seconded for Approval
Approved*

PUBLIC HEARING: *Application for Casino Operator License Renewal of HC Bangor LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino Bangor, 500 Main Street* **GRAHAM**

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*Action: Motion made and seconded to Open Public Hearing
Public Hearing Opened*

Paul LeClair asked what this license was for and would they be decreasing their operation. City Solicitor, Norman Heitmann, stated that the license allows for table games and slot machines. He said it was up to the company as to how many devices they had but the city had heard no plans for discontinuance of any games or slots.

*Motion made and seconded to Close the Public Hearing
Public Hearing Closed
Motion made and seconded for Approval
Approved*

15-279 ORDER

Authorizing Execution of a Consent Decree with the Department of Environmental Protection, Environmental Protection Agency, and Department of Justice

PLOURDE

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Passage
Passed*

15-280 ORDER

Authorizing Contract for Hammond/Union/Ohio Street Resurfacing & Intersection Improvements Project to Lane Construction in the amount of \$968,193

SPRAGUE

*Action: Motion made and seconded for Passage
Passed*

ATTEST: _____
Lisa J. Goodwin, MMC, City Clerk