

## Government Operations Committee

Monday, November 2, 2015

### Minutes

Committee Chair Civiello called the meeting to Order at 5:50 pm.

1. Referral, Council Resolve 15-359 – Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Appropriate \$50,000 in Grant Funds from Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems for the Partnerships to Improve Community Health ( PICH) Program
  - Public Health and Community Services Grants Manager Sally Healey explained the purpose and nature of the grant. It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Graham and voted to recommend approval of the Resolve to the full Council.
2. Sub Recipient Agreements for the Partnership for Success ( PFS)Program  
Mayo Regional Hospital as fiscal agent for Piscataquis Public Health Council \$38,546  
Katahdin Shared Services as fiscal agent for Partnerships for a Healthy Northern Penobscot County \$38,546.
  - Grants Manager Healey explained the purpose of the two sub recipient agreements with each agency. It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Graham and voted to recommend approval of both agreements to the full Council.
3. Sub Recipient Agreement for Healthy Maine Partnership Program
  - Grants Manager Healey explained the purpose of the Agreement with Sebecook Valley Health as fiscal agent for Healthy SV in the amount of \$10,000. It was moved by Sprague, seconded by Durgin and voted to recommend approval of the agreement to the full Council.
4. Wrap up of Town Hall Meetings held in September and October.
  - City Manager Conlow reviewed her memorandum to the Committee and summarized the meetings and some of questions / answers asked in the various sessions. She noted that Public Works, Code and Police issues topped the list of questions / concerns. Councilor Graham thanked staff and community members and noted the need to fine tune some of the facility logistics. Councilor Sprague suggested that the meeting time (7:00 to 9:00) be reviewed to determine if there would be a more convenient time for attendees. Chair Civiello felt the meetings were successful, and felt that more could be done with / for the neighborhoods. She believed that citizens would be willing to volunteer and suggested the Neighborhood Watch groups as examples. Councilor Plourde noted that some volunteer efforts work best when the ideas come from the community, and the city is a partner rather than taking the lead. Two citizens spoke about their perceptions of volunteer efforts and about the meetings. Chair Civiello expressed her hope that the meetings would continue next year as she felt that were very useful.

With no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.