

**Minutes**  
**Special Bar Harbor Town Council**  
**January 22, 2019**

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – 6:00 p.m. – In attendance were Councilors: Stephen Coston, Paul Paradis, Gary Friedmann, Matthew Hochman, Joe Minutolo, Erin Cough; and Town Manager Cornell Knight. (Judith Noonan present until 6:08 pm only)

II. **HARBOR & PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET COST CENTER:**

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<b>A. Public Works Director’s Department (partial)</b>	
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>	
Revenues & Fees Schedule	
Revenues	Revenue 2
Fees & Schedule	Rev: Fees 11

Mr. Paradis referenced other communities that make parks available for events and charge a modest fee, to think about as a future source of income. Public Works Director Chip Reeves spoke to the Park Use Ordinance and how the committee is hitting a balance right now between public use and use by private organizations. No action taken.

Recess from 6:08pm to 6:19pm for medical reasons.

Expenses	
Parks & Recreation	Budget 7-8
Non-Profit Agencies:	
Fourth of July Events	Budget 8
Band Concerts	Budget 8
Jesup Memorial Library	Budget 8
Village Holidays Celebration	Budget 8
YMCA	Budget 8

Martha Searchfield, Chamber Executive Director, spoke to the increase in the cost of fireworks for the Fourth of July and that the amount hasn’t been adjusted in quite a few years. She also spoke to the Village Holidays Celebration and the banners for Cottage Street.

Following Council comments, no action taken.

Capital Improvement Program	
Parks Section	CIP Expenses 3
Narratives	CIP Narrative 15-17

Mr. Reeves spoke to account 6310 Mt Desert St Cemetery. The town received a grant to upgrade the cemetery. It is actually two lots and we are looking at combing the two. There will need to be rehab work on the wall along Kennebec and cutting some trees.

Discussion on account 6312 Playground Equipment and repairs/replacement at both Park St and Town Hill playgrounds. The CIP on this item is straight-line depreciation of capital costs. Additional discussion around reducing the tax increase by incrementally reducing the CIP, history of CIP in past budgets resulting in fluctuations and the need to fund some items with bonds.

No action taken.

**B. Harbor Master’s Department**

Revenues & Fees Schedule

Revenues	Revenue 2
Fees Schedule	Rev: Fees 9-10

Discussion around yacht reservations. No action taken.

Expenses

Harbor Department	Budget 7
Capital Improvement Program	
Harbor Department	CIP Expenses 3
Narratives	CIP Narrative 15
List of Equipment	CIP 23-24

Discussion around gangways. No action taken.

**C. Public Works Director’s Department**

Revenues & Fees Schedule

Revenues	
Highway Division	Revenue 3
Solid Waste Division	Revenue 3
Fees Schedule	
Highway Division	Rev: Fees 10
Solid Waste Division	Rev: Fees 11

Expenses

Comfort Stations	Budget 9
Public Works	Budget 9
Highway Division	Budget 9-10

Mr. Reeves, along with Rich Jamison, addressed Council questions regarding sanding and brining, cost of building repairs (5602) and equipment purchasing (5704). No action taken.

Solid Waste Division	Budget 10-11
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Mr. Reeves, along with Ron Graves, updated Council on how things are going with the new transfer station. Discussion around recycling, labor

costs, hours of operation and volume on certain days. Identified a savings of \$12,000 in labor costs if closed Sundays and only open 1/2 day on Thursdays.

Mr. Paradis, with second by Mr. Hochman, moved to remove \$12,000 from Solid Waste labor costs. Motion passed 5-1 (Nay: Mr. Coston).

Capital Improvement Program

Comfort Stations CIP Expenses 4

Highway Division CIP Expenses 4

Discussion regarding sidewalk plows and cost of equipment. No action taken.

Solid Waste Division CIP Expenses 4

Narratives CIP Narrative 17-19

List of Equipment CIP 24-25

III. **ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Friedmann adjourned at 8:05pm.

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Sharon M. Linscott, Town Clerk