

Minutes
Special Bar Harbor Town Council
January 23, 2018

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – 6:00 p.m. – In attendance were Councilors: Paul Paradis, Gary Friedmann, Stephen Coston, Peter St. Germain, Erin Cough, Matthew Hochman; and Town Manager Cornell Knight.

II. **BUDGET COST CENTER:**

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A. **Public Works Director’s Department (partial)**

Parks & Recreation

Revenues & Fees Schedule

Revenues

Revenue 02

Fees & Schedule

Rev.: Fees 11

No action taken.

Expenses

Parks & Recreation

Budget 07

Non-Profit Agencies:

Fourth of July Events

Budget 07

Band Concerts

Budget 07

Jesup Memorial Library

Budget 07

Village Holidays Celebration

Budget 07

YMCA

Budget 07

Mr. St. Germain was previously recused because he is a Chamber of Commerce board member. He left the meeting during discussion of the Fourth of July events and Village Holidays Celebration.

Comments were made during Village Holidays consideration. Mr. Hochman expressed he would like to see Village Holidays be funded the same as the Fourth of July. Residents should enjoy the festive time of year with events and decorations. Discussion ensued as to who’s responsible and what thoughts as to the additional festivities.

Mr. Hochman, with second by Mr. Coston moved to fund the Village Holidays Celebration event at the same level as the Fourth of July, \$11,089. Motion failed 1-4-1(Nay: Mr. Paradis, Mr. Friedmann, Mr. Coston, Ms. Cough. Recused: Mr. St. Germain). Mr. Coston stated he supported the idea but would need to know what anyone would like to see and wanted to know who would carry it out.

No other action taken, following comments.

Capital Improvement Program

Narratives

CIP Narrative 14-15

Parks Section

CIP Expenses 03

No action taken, following comments.

B. Harbor Master’s Department

Revenues & Fees Schedule

Revenues

Revenue 02

Fees Schedule

Rev.: Fees 09-10

No action taken, following comments.

Expenses

Harbor Department

Budget 06-07

Discussion ensued on the breakdown cost of electricity. Following discussion and prior to taking any action, staff will return by next budget meeting with the cost of electricity for just the Port Security building.

Capital Improvement Program

Narratives

CIP Narrative 14

Harbor Department

CIP Expenses 03

No action taken, following comments.

C. Public Works Director’s Department

Revenues & Fees Schedule

Revenues

Highway Division

Revenue 02

Solid Waste Division

Revenue 03

Fees Schedule

Highway Division

Rev.: Fees 10

Solid Waste Division

Rev.: Fees 11

No action taken.

Expenses

Comfort Stations

Budget 08

Public Works

Budget 08

Highway Division

Budget 08-09

Solid Waste Division

Budget 09

Much discussed ensued to the temporary increase in the cost of single sort, and means reducing solid waste expenditures. Mr. Friedmann proposed the commercial haulers be charged to use the Town’s transfer station.

Mr. Friedmann, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to add \$150,000 to line items for expenditure of the installation of scales, and revenues from instituting a fee to commercial haulers that generate equal to the expense. Motion failed 3-3(Nay: Mr. Paradis, Mr. Coston, Mr. St. Germain).

Discussion continued. The timing to install the scales and scale house would be after the first of the new fiscal year which is also the greatest use of the facility. Thus the Town would miss collecting the greater portion of revenue. In addition, time is needed to calculate actual fee to charge and to have the information ready before the joint meeting with Warrant Committee.

Mr. Friedmann, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to request the Town Manager investigate cost to install scales and institute fees that are at least revenue neutral to charge commercial haulers, timing of implementation, and request recommendations from the Recycling Task Force. Motion passed 6-0.

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Capital Improvement Program	
Narratives	CIP Narrative 16-18
Comfort Stations	CIP Expenses 04
Highway Division	CIP Expenses 04
Solid Waste Division	CIP Expenses 04

In finding ways to reduce the budget so it falls below LD1 formula, Ms. Cough, with second by Mr. Hochman, moved to reduce the \$100,000 appropriation in CIP sidewalk reconstruction, line #6426, by \$28,000, retaining the \$72,000 from Cruise Ship fund. Motion passed 6-0.

III. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. St. Germain, with second by Mr. Hochman, moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Motion passed 6-0.

Patricia A. Gray, Town Clerk