

**Minutes
Bar Harbor Parking & Traffic Committee
April 4, 2018
Council Chambers
93 Cottage Street
9:00 A.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM. Members present: Sandy McFarland, Chair; Jeff Miller, Member; Angel Hochman, Member; Matt Bartlett, Member; Jim Willis, Member; and Angela Chamberlain, Secretary. Absent: Chip Reeves.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Willis, with second by Ms. Chamberlain, moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. November 15, 2017

Mr. Willis, with second by Mr. Bartlett, moved to approve the minutes of November 15, 2017 as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

IV. REGULAR BUSINESS

a & b. Kennebec Street Adjustment of Parking Regulations and Traffic Direction

Alex Maffucci of Atlantic Brewing stated they are looking to free congestion on Kennebec Street at the Cottage St end. The proposal includes: painting a yellow line 15 feet from the intersection to prevent cars from parking at the intersection; creating one no parking space approximately 95 feet from Cottage St to aid access to their loading dock; eliminating the abandoned handicap space in front of #17 and return it to a regular parking space for a net of zero in the number of parking spaces, and to make all of Kennebec Street one-way.

Mr. Willis stated that last year the PD temporarily tried to manage the parking situation but it was problematic. Mr. Miller commented since Atlantic Brewing was starting with a clean slate the potential parking problem could have been alleviated in the design. Mr. Maffucci stated that when they presented the design they did not foresee that people would park along the curb across the street. That area was not a designated no parking zone prior.

Mr. Willis will work with Mr. Reeves on painting the yellow line and marking out the parking spaces as proposed. Mr. Willis, with second by Mr. Bartlett, moved to recommend amending §194-34 One-way streets for Kennebec Street eliminating “provided that traffic may move in both directions, both south and north, in the first 100 feet of Kennebec Street south of Cottage Street.” Motion passed 6-0. The recommended ordinance change will now go to Council.

c. Federal Street Adjustment of Parking Regulations

Lt. Dave Kerns stated that amending §194-14 would allow parking where it has historically happened but is prohibited by the ordinance, mainly along Barker Park. Mr. Bartlett spoke to the yellowing out 15 ft along each side of the corner. This would allow access for the small fire truck and the ambulance.

Mr. Willis, with second by Mr. Bartlett, moved to recommend amending §194-14 Parking prohibited at all times on certain streets for Federal Street eliminating “to the intersection with Cottage Street.” Motion passed 6-0. The recommended ordinance change will now go to Council.

V. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. McFarland wanted to know if there is anything new on Rodick Street since the owner of a restaurant stated one of their employees was almost hit by a car. Mr. Bartlett stated that some of the issue is people not using the sidewalk. Mr. McFarland commented how on High Street the sidewalks aren't even plowed in the winter forcing people to walk in the street.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Willis, with second by Ms. Hochman, moved to adjourn at 9:13 AM. Motion passed 6-0.

Signed as approved:

**Respectfully submitted, Angela M Chamberlain, Secretary
Parking & Traffic Committee, Town of Bar Harbor**

Date