

**Minutes**  
**Bar Harbor Town Council**  
**By Video Conference**  
**July 21, 2020**

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Town Clerk Sharon Linscott called the meeting to order at 4:00pm - In attendance were Councilors Jefferson Dobbs, Matthew Hochman, Valerie Peacock, Gary Friedmann, Joe Minutolo, Erin Cough, Jill Goldthwait; and Town Manager Cornell Knight.

**A. Excused Absence(s)** – all present.

**II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

**A. Election of Officers**

1. *Chair*

The Town Clerk called for nominations. Mr. Minutolo nominated Jeff Dobbs. There being no further nominations, Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Goldthwait</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Cough</u>	<u>Y</u>

Jeff Dobbs was elected Chair by a vote of 7-0.

2. *Vice-Chair*

Chair Dobbs called for nominations. Mr. Minutolo nominated Matt Hochman. There being no further nominations, Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Goldthwait</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Cough</u>	<u>Y</u>

Matt Hochman was elected Vice-Chair by a vote of 7-0.

**B. Council Committee Appointments** – all terms are for one year.

1. *Appointments Committee – Appointment of three Councilors.*

Mr. Hochman nominated the current slate of Councilors Friedmann, Minutolo and Cough. There being no further nominations, Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Goldthwait</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Cough</u>	<u>Y</u>

Ms. Cough, Mr. Friedmann and Mr. Minutolo were appointed to the Appointments Committee by a vote of 7-0.

- 2. *Cruise Ship Committee – Appointment of one Council representative.*

Ms. Cough nominated Matt Hochman. There being no further nominations,

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Goldthwait</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Cough</u>	<u>Y</u>

Matt Hochman was appointed to the Cruise Ship Committee by a vote of 7-0.

- 3. *Parking Solutions Task Force – Appointment of one Council representative.*

Ms. Cough nominated Matt Hochman. There being no further nominations,

Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Goldthwait</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Cough</u>	<u>Y</u>

Matt Hochman was appointed to the Parking Solutions Task Force by a vote of 7-0.

- 4. *Task Force on the Climate Emergency – Appointment of one Council representative.* Mr. Dobbs nominated Jill Goldthwait. There being no further nominations, Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Goldthwait</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Cough</u>	<u>Y</u>

Jill Goldthwait was appointed to the Task Force on the Climate Emergency by a vote of 7-0.

- 5. *Joint (School) Budget Advisory Committee – Appointment of two Councilors.* Mr. Dobbs nominated Val Peacock and Joe Minutolo. There being no further nominations, Roll Call Vote:

<u>Dobbs</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Hochman</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Friedmann</u>	<u>Y</u>
<u>Minutolo</u>	<u>Y</u>

Goldthwait        Y

Cough            Y

Val Peacock and Joe Minutolo were appointed to the Joint School Budget Advisory Committee by a vote of 7-0.

- 6. *MD/BH Joint Police Chief Sharing – Appointment of two Council representatives.*

Mr. Hochman nominated Jeff Dobbs and Gary Friedmann. There being no further nominations, Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs            Y

Hochman        Y

Peacock        Y

Friedmann      Y

Minutolo        Y

Goldthwait     Y

Cough           Y

Jeff Dobbs and Gary Friedmann were appointed to the MD/BH Joint Police Chief Sharing Committee by a vote of 7-0.

**III. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS** – *Council to consider Appointments Committee recommendations to appoint the following with expiration date of July 31 of their applicable year:*

- 1. **Age Friendly Committee: Three-year term**
  - a. *Allie Bodge, expiring 2023*
- 2. **Appeals Board: Three-year terms**
  - a. *Anna Durand, expiring 2023*
  - b. *Robert Webber, expiring 2023*
- 3. **Board of Assessment Review: Three-year term**
  - a. *Terence O’Connell, expiring 2023*
- 4. **Cruise Ship Committee: terms as listed**
  - a. *John Kelly ANP Representative, expiring 2021*
  - b. *Amy Powers Rep w/knowledge of cruise industry in ME, expiring 2023*
  - c. *Greg Gordon Shore Excursion Representative, expiring 2023*
- 5. **Design Review Board: Three-year term**
  - a. *Barbara Sassaman, expiring 2023*
- 6. **Harbor Committee: Three-year terms**
  - a. *Francis “Pancho” Cole, expiring 2023*
  - b. *Robert Garland, expiring 2023*
  - c. *Lynne Williams, expiring 2023*
- 7. **Housing Authority Board – Four-year term**
  - a. *Denise Beaudoin, Tenant-at-Large, expiring 2024*
- 8. **Marine Resources Committee: Three-year terms**
  - a. *Natalie Springuel, expiring 2023*
  - b. *Scott Swann, expiring 2023*
- 9. **Parking Solutions Task Force: Three-year term**
  - a. *Heather Sorokin, expiring 2023*
- 10. **Parks & Recreation Committee: Three-year terms**
  - a. *Jeff Dobbs, expiring 2023*

b. Amy Schwartz, expiring 2023

**11. Planning Board: Three-year terms**

a. Joseph Cough, expiring 2023

b. Millard Dority, expiring 2023

Mr. Friedmann, with second by Mr. Minutolo, moved to approve the slate of nominees as presented. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** - *The Town Council allows at this time up to fifteen minutes of public comment on any subject not on the agenda and not in litigation with a maximum of three minutes per person. Public comment will be allowed through the Zoom webinar. Comments can also be emailed in advance to [council@barharbormaine.gov](mailto:council@barharbormaine.gov) – None.*

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

**A. June 16, 2020 – Regular Meeting**

**B. July 7, 2020 – Special Meeting**

Mr. Hochman, with second by Mr. Friedmann, moved to approve the June 16 Regular Meeting minutes and the July 7 Special Meeting minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**VI. ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Mr. Friedmann, with second by Mr. Hochman, moved to approve the agenda but add Ania Wright’s request for a March on 8/2 as item F under Regular Business. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**VII. FINANCIAL REPORT** - *Review and possible adoption of a motion to accept the financial statements as presented.* Finance Director Stan Harmon presented his report that covers the full fiscal year. The numbers are pre-audit. He reminded Council there will be no financial report in August due to the audit. After Council questions, Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to accept the financial report as presented. Roll Call Vote:

- Dobbs            Y
- Hochman       Y
- Peacock        Y
- Friedmann     Y
- Minutolo       Y
- Goldthwait    Y
- Cough           Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA** - *A single vote has been scheduled to approve the following routine items of business without discussion, unless individual agenda item action is requested by a Councilor:*

- A. Auditor for FY20 & FY21** – *Possible motion to appoint James W. Wadman, CPA as auditor for FY20 and FY21.*
- B. Climate** – *Possible motion to approve the submission of grant funding for sea level rise impacts as presented.*
- C. Vehicles for Hire** – *Police Department approved and proof of insurance provided. Possible motion to approve:*

- 1. **Amy’s Taxi and Tours** request for 1 taxi license renewal as submitted by Amy Walton.

Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote:

- Dobbs            Y
- Hochman       Y
- Peacock        Y
- Friedmann     Y
- Minutolo       Y
- Goldthwait    Y
- Cough           Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A. Shellfish Conservation Ordinance Amendment #2020-10** – *Public comment and possible adoption of the amendment to Chapter 170 of the Municipal Code. No public comment. Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to approve the amendments to Chapter 170 of the Municipal Code Shellfish Conservation Ordinance as presented. Roll Call Vote:*

- Dobbs            Y
- Hochman       Y
- Peacock        Y

Friedmann     Y  
Minutolo     Y  
Goldthwait   Y  
Cough        Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

**Shellfish Conservation Ordinance Amendment**  
Town of Bar Harbor  
#2020-10

**An Amendment to define a new junior commercial license class and a new unlimited classification for licenses.**

*The Town of Bar Harbor hereby ordains that Chapter 170, Shellfish Conservation of the Town Code is amended as follows:*

[Please Note: Old language is ~~stricken~~. New language is underlined.]

**CHAPTER 170 – SHELLFISH CONSERVATION**

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**§ 170-4 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**JUNIOR**

A person who is under 18 on the first day of the licensing period.

**NONRESIDENT**

Anyone not qualified as a resident under this chapter.

**RESIDENT**

A person who has been domiciled in this municipality for at least three months immediately prior to the time his/her claim of such residence is made.

**SHELLFISH and CLAMS**

Soft-shell clams, Mya arenaria.

**§ 170-5 Licensing.**

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**B. Designation, scope and qualifications.**

- (1) Resident commercial shellfish license. The license is available to residents of the Town of Bar Harbor. It entitles the holder to dig, take or possess any amount of shellfish from the shores and flats of this municipality, except where lower limits have been established for certain areas.
- (2) Nonresident commercial shellfish license. The license is available to nonresidents of this municipality. It entitles the holder to dig, take or possess any amount of shellfish from the shores and flats of this municipality, except where lower limits have been established for certain areas.
- (3) Resident junior commercial license. This license is available to any resident, who has attained his or her 13<sup>th</sup> birthday, but has not yet attained their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday as of the first day of the current licensing year. This license entitles the holder to harvest and take any amount of shellfish from the shores and flats of this municipality, except where lower limits have been established for certain areas.
- (4) Nonresident junior commercial license. This license is available to any nonresident, who has attained his or her 13<sup>th</sup> birthday but has not yet attained their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday as of the first day of the current licensing year. This license entitles the holder to harvest and take any amount of shellfish from the shores and flats of this municipality, except where lower limits have been established for certain areas.
- (35) Resident recreational shellfish license. The license is available to residents and real estate taxpayers of this municipality and reciprocating municipalities. It entitles the holder to dig, take or possess no more than one peck of shellfish in any one day for

- personal use. This license is not available, nor valid, to holders of a Maine commercial shellfish license.
- (46) Nonresident recreational shellfish license. The license is available to any person not a resident of this municipality. It entitles the holder to dig, take or possess not more than one peck of shellfish in any one day for personal use. This license is not available, nor valid, to holders of a Maine commercial shellfish license.
- (57) All shellfish licenses. It shall be unlawful for an individual to possess any Bar Harbor shellfish license if their state shellfish harvesters license is under suspension or revocation for any reason for the period of state suspension at a minimum.
- (68) License must be signed and consent to inspection. In order for a Town shellfish license to be valid, it must be signed. Any person who signs a Town shellfish license has a duty to submit to inspection and search for violations related to the licensed activity by the Town Shellfish Warden or other Law Enforcement Officer under the following conditions:
- (a) Watercraft or vehicles and the equipment located on watercraft or vehicles which are used primarily during shellfish harvesting activity may be searched or inspected at any time if the Shellfish Warden or other Law Enforcement Officer has a reasonable suspicion of a violation of the Town Shellfish Conservation Ordinance by the licensed individual.
- (79) Conservation time requirements for commercial shellfish license. No ~~resident or nonresident~~ commercial license shall be issued until the applicant has completed the minimum number of mandatory conservation hours. Qualifying conservation time includes attending Marine Resources Committee meetings, clam flat population and recruitment surveys, reseeding and any other approved activity. Any member of the Bar Harbor Marine Resources Committee may verify hours for approved activities. The minimum required conservation hours will be established by the Marine Resources Committee at least six months prior to current license expiration date. Conservation time must be accumulated in the previous licensing year; however, if an individual obtains the appropriate conservation time, but is unable to obtain a commercial license, their conservation time will rollover to the next year or until they are offered a license to the next year or until they are offered a license. Conservation time requirements are waived for anyone ~~4716~~ and under at the end of the previous licensing year.
- (810) Commercial license eligibility. Individuals possessing Bar Harbor commercial shellfish harvesting licenses for four of the previous five years and who have accumulated the required conservation time are eligible to obtain their licenses two weeks in advance of the next license year. The Marine Resources Committee shall determine the number of advance licenses available for the next year no later than six months in advance. If the number of eligible individuals exceeds the number of advance licenses available, those licenses shall be assigned through a lottery. Any licenses not issued before the first working day of the new license year will be available to any eligible individual that has met the conservation time requirement.

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- E. Limitation of diggers. Because the shellfish resources are limited and a commercial or recreational digger can be expected to harvest a certain volume of clams per year, the number of diggers must be controlled. This number will vary from year to year depending upon estimates of the resource capabilities and management requirements consistent with good resource utilization. The following procedures will be followed to exercise the control:
- (1) Number of licenses established. Prior to May 1 the Town Marine Resources Committee, with the approval of the Maine Commissioner of Marine Resources, will establish the number of commercial and recreational licenses to be permitted following the requirements of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6671(3-A).
  - (2) Notice to Town Clerk. Prior to June 1 the Town Marine Resources Committee will notify the Town Clerk in writing of the number of licenses to be issued.
  - (3) Public notice. Not less than 10 days prior to the period of issuance notice of the number of licenses to be issued and the procedure for application shall be published in a trade or industry publication, or in a newspaper or combination of newspapers with general

circulation, effective in reaching persons affected. Notice shall also be posted in the municipal offices until the period of issuance concludes.

- (4) Limited License Sales. The number of licenses issued may be limited and will be issued according to the Municipal License Allocation Request as approved by DMR. The Town Clerk shall issue licenses to residents and nonresidents as allocated for the first 90 days of the period of issuance after which any unsold licenses shall be made available to residents and nonresidents alike on a first-come, first-served basis or by lottery, at the approved fee per available license class.
- (5) Unlimited License Sales. When the Shellfish Conservation Committee determines limiting shellfish licenses is not an appropriate shellfish management option for one or more license categories for the following year, it can change to unlimited license sales within a category. The Town Clerk shall issue licenses as allocated. On the first day of license sales, the total number of non-resident commercial licenses shall be issued in accordance with DMR Regulations Chapter 7.4 section 1. Thereafter, non-resident licenses will be issued in accordance with the 10% rule as described in 12 M.R.S.A. §6671(3-E) and DMR Regulations Chapter 7.4, Section 2, Table 1.
- (46) Dates of issuance. The Town Clerk shall issue licenses to residents and nonresidents as allocated from the first day of July. Categories with limited license sales shall be offered until the 28th day of September, after which licenses in these categories shall be issued to residents and nonresidents on a first come, first served basis.

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[End of Ordinance]

**B. New Special Amusement Permits**

- 1. **Mainely Meat BBQ Dreamwood Hill, 369 State Hwy 3, request for Class 3, three or more musicians without mechanical amplification, as submitted by Laura Johnson.** There being no public comment, Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to approve the Class 3 Special Amusement Permit for Mainely Meat BBQ Dreamwood Hill. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs                    Y  
Hochman                Y  
Peacock                Y  
Friedmann             Y  
Minutolo                Y  
Goldthwait             Y  
Cough                   Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

- 2. **Choco-latte Cafe, 240 Main St, request for Class 2, two musicians without mechanical amplification, as submitted by Michael Boland.** There was no public comment. Mr. Hochman spoke with Mr. Boland and Choco-latte did not submit their town approved liquor license application to the state. Mr. Hochman, with second by Mr. Minutolo, moved to approve the Class 2 Special Amusement Permit for Choco-latte Café dependent on their approval for a state liquor license. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs                    Y  
Hochman                Y  
Peacock                Y  
Friedmann             Y  
Minutolo                Y  
Goldthwait             Y



Cough Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

- 3. **Ivy Manor Inn, 194 Main St, request for Class 1, single musician without mechanical amplification, as submitted by Peter Hastings.** There was no public comment. Mr. Hochman noticed they have had a musician with a microphone, which is mechanical amplification. The Town Clerk will send a letter with the approved permit reminding them their permit does not allow for mechanical amplification. Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to approve the Class 1 Special Amusement Permit for Ivy Manor Inn.

Roll Call Vote:  
Dobbs Y  
Hochman Y  
Peacock Y  
Friedmann Y  
Minutolo Y  
Goldthwait Y  
Cough Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

**C. Special Amusement Permit Renewal**

- 1. **MaMa DiMatteos, 34 Kennebec Pl, request for Class 3, three or more musicians without mechanical amplification, as submitted by Eric Olson (asking for a reduced level from last year's 3a with amplification).** There being no public comment, Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to approve the Class 3 Special Amusement Permit for MaMa DiMatteos as presented. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y  
Hochman Y  
Peacock Y  
Friedmann Y  
Minutolo Y  
Goldthwait Y  
Cough Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

**X. REGULAR BUSINESS:**

- A. Tabled from 7/7/2020 – COVID Mask Ordinance – Possible motion to prepare ordinance.** Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Goldthwait, moved to remove this item from the table. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y  
Hochman Y  
Peacock Y  
Friedmann Y  
Minutolo Y  
Goldthwait Y  
Cough Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

Police Chief Jim Willis and Nina Barufaldi-St. Germain participated in the discussion. Mr. Hochman moved to have staff prepare an emergency mask ordinance for review at the August 4<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. Motion failed for lack of second. Ms. Cough, with second by Mr. Hochman, moved to make the following statement: The Town Council of Bar Harbor firmly stands with the Governor's Executive Orders regarding masks and will support our local businesses in that all individuals must wear face coverings while in any indoor spaces and congested village areas accessible to the public, as well as those serving these public spaces and businesses. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs            Y  
Hochman       Y  
Peacock        Y  
Friedmann     Y  
Minutolo       Y  
Goldthwait    Y  
Cough          Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**B. LUO Amendment Vacation Rental for November 2020 - Possible motion to sign the Certification of Ordinance and schedule a public hearing for August 18, 2020.** Town Planner Michele Gagnon gave an introduction and summarized the process to date. Ms. Gagnon suggested alternative text regarding transferability. Following discussion, Mr. Friedmann, with second by Mr. Hochman, moved to sign the Certification of Ordinance Land Use Amendment Vacation Rental and schedule a public hearing for August 18, 2020 with the following amendments: 1. Change the transferability clause for VR-2 with the language the Town Planner suggests and 2. Eliminate VR-3s. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs            Y  
Hochman       Y  
Peacock        Y  
Friedmann     Y  
Minutolo       Y  
Goldthwait    Y  
Cough          N

Motion passed 6-1 (Nay: Cough).

**C. Review of the Community Policing Forum – Nina St. Germain and Police Chief Jim Willis.** Chief Willis provided some history that led to the forum, which he sees as the first step of ongoing community conversation around police policies, racism and equity. Nina Barufaldi-St. Germain also spoke about looking for ways the town can collaborate with other active groups and agencies and offer support. Following discussion, no action taken.

**D. Annual Review of Council Policies:**

1. *Acquired Property*
2. *Alcoholic Beverage*

3. *Appointments*

Discussion but no action taken.

4. *Banking*

5. *Cable TV Public Access*

6. *Consent Agreement*

7. *Cooperating Agencies*

Ms. Cough, with second by Ms. Goldthwait, moved to place the Cooperating Agencies Policy on a future agenda before Nov 1. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

8. *Council – Staff Interaction*

9. *Cruise Ship Fee*

10. *Cruise Ship Tour Bus*

Discussion but no action taken.

11. *Curb Cut*

12. *Debt Compliance*

13. *Debt Management*

14. *Fund Balance*

15. *Grants*

16. *Investment*

17. *Land Acquisition*

18. *Liquor Licensing*

19. *Outside Water Discount*

20. *Permit and Paid Parking*

21. *Poverty Abatement*

22. *Purchasing*

Stan Harmon, Finance Director recommends adjusting the Purchasing Policy spending levels to account for inflation (60% since 1996). So the ranges would be \$0-\$4000, \$4000-\$12,000, \$12,000-\$40,000 and over \$40,000. Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to amend the Purchasing Policy with Stan’s changes. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

23. *Road Acceptance*

24. *Road and Sidewalk Opening*

25. *Road Discontinuance*

26. *Rules of Order*

Request by Councilor Cough to go back to 7:00 start times. No action taken.

27. *Safety*

28. *Severance Clause*

29. *Snow Removal*

30. *Speed Limit*

31. *Storm and Sewer Backup*

32. *Street Light*

Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to strike, under Installation #4, “4000 lumen high pressure sodium (HPS) fixtures” and replace with “LED fixtures”. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

33. *Surplus Property*

34. *Tax Payment*

35. *Tobacco Free Recreation*

36. *Utility Location Permits*

**E. MDI YMCA – Permission to facilitate a public fitness initiative.** Nick Tymoczko from the Y presented the request. Town Planner Michele Gagnon stated the Design Review Board will look at the signs at their meeting on Thursday. Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to approve the YMCAs request to facilitate a public fitness initiative pending Design Review Board approval. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman Y

Peacock Y

Friedmann Y

Minutolo Y

Goldthwait Y

Cough Y

Motion passed 7-0.

**F. Request by Ania Wright for a March on 8/2.** – Chief Willis spoke about the impact to the police department. Sirohi Kumar participated in the discussion and requested a standing permit as they plan to march every 2 weeks for the foreseeable future. Mr. Hochman, with second by Mr. Friedmann, moved to approve the request starting August 2 through the last day of August. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs Y

Hochman        Y  
Peacock        Y  
Friedmann    Y  
Minutolo       Y  
Goldthwait    Y  
Cough           Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

**G. Treasurer’s Warrant** - *Request of Treasurer to authorize paid bills.* – Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Cough, moved to sign the Treasurer’s Warrants for paid bills. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs            Y  
Hochman        Y  
Peacock        Y  
Friedmann    Y  
Minutolo       Y  
Goldthwait    Y  
Cough           Y  
Motion passed 7-0.

**XI. TOWN MANAGER’S COMMENTS** – 1). We did have a request for a recount on two of the land use articles that passed at town meeting. Sharon will review those registered voters to make sure they have enough, they need 100. If they do she’ll schedule a recount. She did notice in the tally sheets that the one that passed by 4 votes actually passed by 14 votes. 2). Parking revenue is about 42% of the amount a year ago, which is better than I was thinking. It is starting to pick up. 3). There will be another COVID update forum by Zoom webinar on July 28 from 6-7:30 with the same cast as the end of May.

**XII. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

**Ms. Peacock** thanked the Town of Bar Harbor for electing her. I definitely have a lot to learn about how to participate and work with you all to get things done. I hope I have something to contribute to this group and the town. I have an optimistic outlook and we can work together to do things that increase equity and justice and are good for as many people as possible. I like to talk about goals, the comp plan, strategic plan. I’m excited to be here and look forward to working with you all.

**Ms. Goldthwait** is grateful for the opportunity to put in a full term on Council. I’ll miss Stephen Coston’s voice, it was clear and consistent. She thanked him for his service. She also asked if the Police Forum was accessible online. Mr. Knight stated they did record it through Zoom but when they uploaded it, it started 45 minutes into the session. You can see the last 45 minutes only. Ms. Goldthwait referenced last meeting’s minutes requesting an update on MRC Solid Waste. Mr. Knight will have Bethany report at the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, she has another virtual meeting either Wednesday or Thursday.

**Ms. Cough** also thanked the town for another term. We had good things we accomplished the past 3 years and I’m happy and proud to continue that work going forward. I hope this Council is as civil as the last one and I’m looking forward to new perspectives and diving into the big issues we have in front of us.

**Mr. Minutolo** welcomed Val, congratulated Erin and Jill and thanked Stephen, he worked really hard.

**Mr. Friedmann** echoed congratulations. I enjoyed having Stephen sit to the right of me, we'd chat during meetings. I'll have to have a new seat mate soon.

**Mr. Hochman** welcomed Val and encouraged her to reach out to fellow Councilors. Every question is valid. There is a lot to learn and it's a steep learning curve. He thanked Sharon and all of the election workers for a very smooth election. He requested a review of the Special Amusement ordinance at a future meeting. He also asked for an update on the Council Chamber renovations. Mr. Knight stated we were working with the architect but COVID brought it to a halt.

**Mr. Dobbs** welcomed the new Council. I look forward to discussions like we had tonight. It's nice to have consensus. I learn a lot every time, every day. Thank you for voting me in as Chair. I did it for a year and actually enjoyed it.

**XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (none)

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Hochman, with second by Ms. Peacock, moved to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Roll Call Vote:

Dobbs            Y

Hochman       Y

Peacock       Y

Friedmann    Y

Minutolo       Y

Goldthwait    Y

Cough           Y

Motion passed 7-0.

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Sharon M Linscott, Town Clerk