

TOWN OF WINSLOW, MAINE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, September 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm
Meeting was held in the Parks & Recreation Building
114 Benton Avenue, Winslow, Maine

AT 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 4-2020: An Amendment to the Winslow Zoning Map to Rezone the following Lot on Tax Map 13 Lot 115 from High Density Residential Zone to Mixed Use Zone.

Chairman Ray Caron opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. and asked if anyone present would like to speak on Ordinance No. 4-2020. There were several people who spoke to the Council on this issue:

- A Winslow resident requested more information on the amendment change.
- The Code Enforcement Officer Adam Bradstreet reviewed what is allowed in a mixed-use zone.
- A Winslow resident from the subdivision said there should be more information on setbacks.
- A Winslow resident from the subdivision stated there should be no changes and that is should remain a residential zone.
- Steve Martin, who has requested the rezoning, spoke briefly about the use he would have for the property when and if it is changed to mixed use zone.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. Roll Call

Attendance was taken with the following Town Councilors present: Ben Twitchell, Jerry Quirion, Steve Russell, Patricia Ayer, Jeff West, Lee Trahan and Ray Caron.

Also present: Interim Town Manager/Public Works Director Paul Fongemie, Code Enforcement Officer Adam Bradstreet, Parks & Recreation Director Amanda McCaslin, Fire Chief Ronnie Rodriguez and several members of the Winslow Fire Department, Police Captain Haley Fleming and several members of the Winslow Police Department.

2. Recite the Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:

- None

4. Communications

- Dave Pelton from KVCAP gave a presentation on possible plans for the old Winslow Junior High. Mr. Caron said a committee would be formed in the fall to further review the possible uses of the Junior High building.

5. Reports of Committees and Commission

- a. Town Manager's Report
- b. Department Reports
- c. Finance Committee Report (Treasurer's Warrants)
- d. Financial Report

Interim Town Manager Paul Fongemie said that after several interviews, the committee formed to select a new Police Chief had made their decision and the approval would be presented on the next Town Council Agenda. Mr. Fongemie also stated that the Public Works Department is continuing to pave the roads that have been scheduled.

Police Captain Haley Fleming gave a monthly update on the Police Department. A brief discussion followed.

Fire Chief Ronnie Rodriguez gave a monthly update on the Fire Department. A brief discussion followed.

School Superintendent Peter Thiboutot gave the Town Council a brief update, he was very proud to the opening of the Winslow Schools with the required Maine CDC Guidelines. A brief discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. Quirion to approve all reports presented by the Committees and Commissions; motion seconded by Mr. Twitchell.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Winslow Police Officer Cam Huggins had questions about the Town Charter’s hiring process.
- Phoenix Mourning-Star, who is a volunteer facilitator from the City of Waterville was present and spoke about the diversity plan that was implemented in Waterville; he stated the initiative was to support all residents in the community.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 4-2020:

An Amendment to the Winslow Zoning Map to Rezone the following Lot on Tax Map 13 Lot 115 from High Density Residential Zone to Mixed Use Zone.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Ordinance No. 4-2020; motion seconded by Ms. Ayer. .

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
 Y Jerry Quirion
 A Steve Russell – *Not present during vote.*
 Y Patricia West
 Y Jeff West
 Y Lee Trahan
 Y Ray Caron

Motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Ordinance No. 5-2020:

Providing for: An Amendment to Ordinance No. 24-1972 Chapter 2 Administration, Article IV Public Cemeteries by replacing it with the attached Sections 2-21, 2-22, 2-23, 2-24 and 2-25.

Mr. Caron said this Ordinance was updated by Parks & Recreation Director Amanda McCaslin and included his assistance. It was noted that the terms of committee members would be staggered.

Motion by Mr. Quirion to amend the Ordinance to include staggered terms; motion seconded by Mr. Twitchell.

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
 Y Jerry Quirion

Y Steve Russell
Y Patricia West
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan
Y Ray Caron

Motion to stagger the committee terms carried by a vote of 7-0.

Motion by Mr. Quirion to approve Ordinance 5-2020 as amended;
Motion seconded by Ms. Ayer.

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
Y Jerry Quirion
Y Steve Russell
Y Patricia West
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan
Y Ray Caron

Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

3. Order No. 18-2020:

Providing for the Sale of Tax Acquired Property.

Motion by Mr. Quirion to approve Order No. 18-2020; motion seconded
by Mr. Twitchell.

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
Y Jerry Quirion
Y Steve Russell
Y Patricia West
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan
Y Ray Caron

Motion to carried by unanimous vote of 7-0.

4. Order No. 19-2020:

Providing for: Authorization for the Interim Town Manager to prepare
a quit claim deed which will allow the transfer of properties located at
150 China Road (tax map 16, lot 78-2) and China Road (tax map 16, lot
77) for the amount of taxes owed.

Motion by Mr. Twitchell to approve Order No. 19-2020; motion
seconded by Mr. Quirion. Discussion followed.

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
Y Jerry Quirion
Y Steve Russell
Y Patricia West
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan
Y Ray Caron

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

5. Order No. 20-2020:

Providing for: Authorizing up to \$1,902,000 of the Town's General Obligation Bonds to finance Sewer and Stormwater Improvements known as RUS Bulletin 1780-27.

Motion by Mr. Quirion to approve Order No. 20-2020; motion seconded by Mr. Twitchell.

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
 Y Jerry Quirion
 Y Steve Russell
 Y Patricia West
 Y Jeff West
 Y Lee Trahan
 Y Ray Caron

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

6. Order No. 21-2020:

Providing for: Authorization for the Tax Collector to sell 101 acres of tax acquired property on Maple Ridge Road (tax map 3, lots 3, 8-H & 8-1) with a minimum bid of \$85,000 and an easement from Farmland Trust.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Order No. 21-2020; motion seconded by Ms. Ayer.

Roll Call: Y Ben Twitchell
 Y Jerry Quirion
 Y Steve Russell
 Y Patricia West
 Y Jeff West
 Y Lee Trahan
 Y Ray Caron

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

7. Resolution No. 34-2020:

Providing for: Application for a Restaurant (Class I, II, III, IV) Liquor License (renewal) by Stanley Lapointe d/b/a The Pointe Afta Inc., 252 China Road, Winslow, Maine.

Motion by Mr. Russell to approve Resolution No. 34-2020; motion seconded by Ms. Ayer.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

8. Resolution No. 35-2020:

Providing for: Application for an extension of On-Premises Liquor License by the Two Cent, 82 Clinton Avenue, Winslow, Maine.

Motion by Mr. Quirion to approve Resolution No. 35-2020; motion Seconded by Mr. Russell.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

9. Resolution No. 36-2020:

Providing for: The Approval of the Election Clerks to Assist the Town Clerk/Warden with voting activities for the upcoming State and Municipal Elections.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Resolution No. 36-2020; motion Seconded by Ms. Ayer.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

10. Resolution No. 37-2020: Providing for: The Adoption for the attached request for a Town of Winslow Diversity Declaration.

Motion by Mr. Russell to approve Resolution No. 37-2020; motion Seconded by Ms. Ayer.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

11. Resolution No. 38-2020: Providing for: Authorization for the Town Manager to accept \$97,904.76 in federal funding from the Department of Homeland Security for the Winslow Fire Department.

Motion by Mr. Russell to approve Resolution 38-2020; motion seconded by Mr. Twitchell.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

12. Resolution No. 39-2020: Providing for: Authorization for the Town Manager to transfer \$6,000 from the Track (2400403-53926) Account and \$10,000 from the School House (2400403-53929) to the Elections General Fund to cover the extra expenses related to the November 3, 2020 Election.

Mr. West suggested the money be taken from the contingency fund instead of the accounts listed in the resolution. Discussion followed.

Motion by Mr. West to transfer the requested amount from the contingency fund; motion seconded by Mr. Russell.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Resolution No. 39-2020 as amended; motion seconded by Ms. Ayer.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Quirion; motion seconded by Mr. Russell.

Motion carried by unanimous vote 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Lisa J. Gilliam
Town Clerk