

**TOWN OF WINSLOW, MAINE
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, November 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.
Meeting held at the Winslow Public Library**

*Meeting will be held open to the public and streamed live on Facebook.
The Vimeo streaming link will be posted online prior to the meeting.*

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. Recite the Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
3. Attendance was taken with the following Town Councilors present: Peter Drapeau, Dale Macklin, Jerry Quirion, Ray Caron, Joseph Gravel, Jeff West, and Lee Trahan.

Also present: Town Manager Erica Lacroix, Town Clerk Lisa Gilliam, Police Chief Leonard Macdaid, Interim Fire Chief Scott Bolduc, and several members of the Winslow Fire Department.
- 4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:**
 - October 11, 2022 (pending)
- 5. Communications:**
None
- 6. Reports of Committees and Commissions:**
 - A. Town Manager's Report
 - B. Department Reports
 - C. Finance Committee Report (Treasurer's Warrants)
 - D. Financial Report

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

TABLED BUSINESS

- 1. Ordinance No. 14-2022**
Providing for: An Amendment to the Winslow Zoning Map to Rezone the following lot on Tax Map 15 Lot 12 located at 120 Augusta Road from High Density Residential to Mixed Use.

Remained tabled.

OLD BUSINESS

- 2. Ordinance No. 19-2022**
Providing for: Establishment of the Winslow Public Safety Department.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Ordinance No. 19-2022; motion seconded by Mr. Macklin. Discussion followed.

Local resident Fran Hudson read a prepared statement. She thanked the Council and the Town Manager for providing more information on the proposed Public Safety Department. She said she was also pleased to hear that most of the Winslow Fire Fighters are in support of the new department. Ms. Hudson said she still has many concerns with this being rushed before more studies can be done. Discussion continued.

Michael Joseph spoke next and said there has not been enough information provided to the residents before the Council acts on this plan. He stated he is against a trial run because many residents are not even aware of this proposal.

Chris Soucy addressed the Council with his concerns about this new department. He said there are no benchmarks or data to go by for residents to form an opinion on this idea. He wanted to know what administrative duties will be absorbed by this new position.

Mr. Caron said everyone will have to work together to make this new department a success. Mr. Quirion said there will need to be transparency, or it will not be a success.

Manager Lacroix stated there will be meetings open to the public so that they are aware of the progress. She also stated a job description for the Public Safety Director would be available by January 1, 2023.

Mr. Macklin said he has heard a lot of positive feedback from the community. Mr. Gravel said he understands the public's concern and encourages residents to be involved in the meetings as this department moves forward. Discussion continued.

Manager Lacroix said she would investigate other ways to "get the word out" so that Winslow residents are better informed. Currently information can be found on the Town's website, Facebook page, advertisements in the Town Line Newspaper, articles in the Morning Sentinel newspaper and the electronic sign at the Town Office.

Mr. Caron said the Council does its best to keep active with the community, provide information and answer any questions residents may have.

Roll Call Vote to approve Ordinance No. 19-2022:

Y Peter Drapeau
Y Dale Macklin
N Jerry Quirion
Y Ray Caron
Y Joseph Gravel
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan

Motion to approved passed by a vote of 6-1.

3. Order No. 27-2022

Providing for: Authorization for the Town Manager to enter a contract with Haley Ward to perform a Municipal Facility Study at a cost not to exceed forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000) with funds allocated in the Town Office, Fire Facility and Police Facility capital line items in the FY2023 budget.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Order No. 27-2022; motion seconded by Mr. Macklin.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Peter Drapeau
Y Dale Macklin
N Jerry Quirion
Y Ray Caron
Y Joseph Gravel
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan

Motion to approve passed 6-1.

4. Order No. 28-2022

Providing for: Authorization for the Public Works Director to sign the attached revised Letter of Agreement (LOA) with Dirigo Engineering for design engineering services for the Cushman Road and Robert Street stormwater and sewer project.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Order No. 28-2022; motion seconded by Mr. Trahan.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Peter Drapeau
Y Dale Macklin
Y Jerry Quirion
Y Ray Caron
Y Joseph Gravel
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan

Motion to approved passed by unanimous vote 7-0.

5. Order No. 29-2022

Providing for: Authorization for the Town Manager to purchase property abutting the Winslow Elementary School identified as Tax Map 19, Lot 27 from Kennebec River Development Park, hereinafter referred to as KRDP, for the sum of \$80,000.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Order No. 29-2022; motion seconded by Mr. Trahan.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Peter Drapeau
Y Dale Macklin
N Jerry Quirion
Y Ray Caron
Y Joseph Gravel
Y Jeff West
Y Lee Trahan

Motion to approved passed by a vote of 6-1.

6. Order No. 30-2022

Providing for: Authorization for the Town Manager to consolidate overtime budgets in the Police and Fire and EMS cost centers into a single overtime line item under each department per the attached list.

Motion by Mr. West to approve Order No. 30-2022; motion seconded by Mr. Quirion.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Peter Drapeau

Y Dale Macklin

Y Jerry Quirion

Y Ray Caron

Y Joseph Gravel

Y Jeff West

Y Lee Trahan

Motion to approved passed by unanimous vote 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Caron to adjourn; motion seconded by Mr. West. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0

Respectfully submitted by,
Lisa J. Gilliam, Town Clerk