

**TOWN OF YARMOUTH
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

Meeting: 9-23/24
Date: November 16, 2023
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: American Legion Cabin, 196 Main Street and Remote Video Access.

This meeting began at 7:00 PM

1st Order of Business: Roll Call of Members. All present via video meeting
Roll Call of Members P = Present A = Absent T= Tardy R =Remote

R Michelle Cromarty
A Meghan Casey
A Heather Abbott
P David Craig, Chair
R Karin Orenstein
P Randall Bates
A Zoe Wolf

2nd Order of Business: Approval of the Minutes of Meeting 6-23/24 held October 19, 2023, and Special Meeting 7-23/24 held October 24, 2023, and Special Meeting 8-23/24 held November 2, 2023.

Approved 4-0 on a roll call vote.

3rd Order of Business: Public comment period:
Karyn MacNeill spoke about the Light-Up Yarmouth events and reported on guidance from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife on conditions and options for managing the deer population on Cousins Island.

Item No. 38: Reports

No Reports

Item No. 39: Liquor licenses.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it ordered that of full-time malt, spirituous, and vinous liquor licenses to Gather, Romeo's, Otto, and to Yarmouth Rice and Noodles, and issuance of a Special Amusement Permits to both Gather and Romeo's is hereby approved.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 40: Assistant Town Manager

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Resolved that the revised Position Description and job title for the Director Economic Development to "Assistant Town Manager/Director of Economic Development" is hereby endorsed, and the appointment of Scott LaFlamme to that

expanded position is hereby endorsed and recognized with congratulations to Scott LaFlamme.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 41: Management Plan for the Frank Knight Forest Property.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Ordered that the Frank Knight Forest Management Plan as presented at this meeting is hereby approved, a copy of which to be attached to the Minutes of this meeting.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 42: 52 North Road for code compliance requirements.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Ordered that an amount not to exceed \$73,000 is hereby appropriated from surplus to fund required and recommended improvements to the 52 North Road property for code compliance and other improvements, all as outlined in a report from Steve Johnson, Town Engineer, dated October 13, 2023 and presented at this meeting.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 43: Engineering assessment/design for the Wharf Road pier.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Ordered that an amount not to exceed \$50,000 is hereby appropriated from Cousins Island Wharf Road Capital Reserve to fund engineering inspection, repair and improvement recommendations and designs and permitting costs (but not including construction costs), all as outlined in a report from Steve Johnson, Town Engineer, dated October 26, 2023 and presented at this meeting.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 44: TIF Funds for installation and upgrade of EV charging stations.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Ordered that an amount not to exceed \$28,000 is hereby appropriated from the Downtown TIF District Account to fund installation and upgrade of networked EV charging stations for public use at 196 and 200 Main Street, all as outlined in a report from Scott LaFlamme, Director of Economic Development dated October 30, 2023 and presented at this meeting.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 45: New fire engine and authorization of financing.

No motion offered. Consideration of this matter was postponed until the December meeting by consent.

Item No. 46: Shellfish Conservation Resource Surveys.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Ordered that there is hereby appropriated from the Shellfish Conservation Dedicated Account a sum of \$ [\$10,000] to contract for shellfish resource inventories and assessments.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 47: Boat launch ramp at the Town Landing.

Motion offered by Councilor Bates, seconded by Councilor Craig:

Be it Ordered that there is hereby appropriated from Surplus a sum of \$12,000 to make improvements at the Town Landing boat launch.

Passed 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Item No. 48: To hold an Executive Session, if needed.

None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Nathaniel J. Tupper/ Town Manager