

**TOWN OF YARMOUTH
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING BACKGROUND
AGENDA FOR JANUARY 16, 2020**

Meeting: 9-19/20
Date: January 16, 2020
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: American Legion Log Cabin

1st Order of Business: Roll Call of Members

2nd Order of Business: To approve the minutes of Meeting 7-19/20 held Dec. 21, 2019 and Special Meeting 8-19/20 held January 9, 2020.

3rd Order of Business: To open the meeting to a public comment period.

Item No. 3: To hear the reports of the Council Chair, committees, delegates, liaisons and the Town Manager.

Item No. 4: To hold a public hearing and act upon issuance of a full-time malt, spirituous and vinous liquor license and Special Amusement permit to each of the following establishments: 233 Grill.

Item No. 5: To hold a public hearing and act upon amendments to Chapter 407 of the Yarmouth Town Code (Fire and Emergency Medical Services Fees Ordinance).

Background: Fire- Rescue Chief Mike Robitaille has requested that Council increase the Emergency Rescue Fees, which are significantly below the rates in Cumberland, North Yarmouth, Falmouth, Gray, York, Kennebunk, and other surrounding towns. Delivery costs have increased annually, and the last fee increase was 5 years ago.

At This Meeting: Council will vote on whether to approve this fee increase.

Item No. 6: To consider and act upon proposed improvements to the transfer station and recycling center to provide for a PAYT waste system.

Background: Last year Council appropriated \$770,000 to make necessary upgrades at the Transfer Station, and implement a PAYT program. Since that time, newer cost estimates for the project have come in, which are higher. Consultants and staff have developed lower-cost alternatives for the project, which Council has been discussing. In the discussions, Public Works staff has voiced concern about safety issues at the Transfer Station.

At This Meeting: Public Works Director Erik Street will present an overview of safety issues at the Transfer Station. Council will continue to discuss how to move forward with plans for Transfer Station upgrades.

Item No. 7:

To hold an Executive Session, if needed, including consideration of the recommendations of the Appointments Committee and to consider a poverty tax abatement.

Item No. 8:

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