

Town Council Meeting
November 23, 2009
DRAFT Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

Roll Call

Councilors present and answering roll call: Libby, Rodden, Armitage, Payne, Breen, Chase and Pierce were present and answering roll call.

Public Forum

Councilor Breen opened the Public Forum. There was no public comment.
Councilor Breen closed the Public Forum.

Item 1 Resolution to recognize Richard Meserve, REAL School instructor, for his recent recognition by the Milken Foundation.

Councilor Rodden read the resolution. Councilor Armitage moved to approve the resolution; Councilor Pierce seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Item 2 Report from Council Committees and liaisons regarding updates on assignments.

The Councilors gave updates on their Committees.

Item 3 Report from the Appointments Committee and order relative to filling various vacancies on Boards and Committees.

Councilor Pierce moved to re-appoint the following for three year terms:
Kevin Browne to Falmouth Trails Advisory Committee
Bill Oliver to Harbor Committee
Mel Dickenson, John Adelman, Tim Vandermel, to Open Space Committee
Stan Given to Zoning Board of Appeals as a regular member
Sally Bitan to Recycling Committee
Frank Ruch to a one year term on Conservation Committee.

Councilor Rodden seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Item 4 Public Hearing on an amendment to the Coastal Waters Ordinance, Chapter 9 Article IV.

Chair Breen opened the public hearing. There was no public comment. Chair Breen closed the public hearing.

Item 8 Town Council Ad-hoc Committee on Mass Transit report to the full Town Council regarding the performance of the new and expanded Metro Bus route.

Councilor Rodden presented the report from the Mass Transit Committee. Rodden reported the Ad-hoc Falmouth Mass Transit Committee unanimously concluded at its meeting on Nov. 16, 2009 to recommend that the Council continue its membership in Metro for another year. To withdraw from Metro, the Council must give one year's notice by Jan.1.

Item 9 Introduction of an amendment to Chapter 6, Article 6, Section 6.68, Appendices A- C of the Falmouth Town Ordinance that will change maximum levels of income and expenses for the General Assistance program.

A public hearing will be held on December 14.

Councilor Rodden left the meeting.

Item 10 Order to disband the Ad-hoc Workforce Housing Committee.

Councilor Armitage motioned to approve the order to disband the Ad-hoc Workforce Housing Committee. Councilor Libby seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Chair Breen thanked the past and present members for all their hard work and dedication.

Item 11 Order to go into Executive Session pursuant to the Laws of Maine to discuss negotiation parameters associated with labor contracts between the town and two unions - Teamsters Local 340 and Maine Association of Police, pursuant 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D).

Councilor Armitage moved to go into Executive Session; Councilor Payne seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Town Manager Nathan Poore announced for the viewing public this portion of the meeting was over.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Planer
Town Clerk