

LONDONDERRY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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2 **October 17, 2016**

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4 The Town Council meeting was held in the Moose Hill Council Chambers, Town Hall, 268B Mammoth
5 Road, Londonderry, NH.
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7 Present: Chairman John Farrell; Vice Chairman Tom Freda; Councilors Jim Butler, Joe green and Tom
8 Dolan; Town Manager Kevin Smith; Executive Assistant Kirby Wade
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10 **CALL TO ORDER**

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12 Chairman Farrell called the Town Council special meeting to order. Chairman Farrell led the Pledge of
13 Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for all of our local first responders and all first
14 responders serving us here and abroad.
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16 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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18 Chairman Farrell opened up public comment to the public.
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20 Bob Napolitano, 14 Currier Drive, asked the Council, the land at the airport that is being built on and
21 taxable now, the residents have waited thirty years for it to pen up and taxes coming into the Town.
22 Napolitano stated that what he would like to see if the tax relief that has been promised to the residents.
23 Napolitano asked if there was a way to take the money that is coming in as taxes at the airport and use it
24 only to lower the tax rate. Chairman Farrell stated that technically there isn't a way to do that directly.
25 Chairman Farrell stated that there has been some relief on the Town side. Chairman Farrell stated that the
26 Council is looking at the Undesignated Fund Balance for this year and seeing how much of it we ca
27 actually use to apply to that. It will be talked about on November 5th at the Budget Workshop. Chairman
28 Farrell stated that the way the TIF is set up, the Town only gets about 30-35% of the money and the
29 school gets about 65% and the last 5% is divided up between the Town and the State. Vice Chairman
30 Freda stated that that is the way all finance are set up, it's not just the TIF.
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32 Napolitano stated that for thirty years before anything was up there and being built, the Town raised
33 money and it was paid for out of taxes. The only thing that is changing is there is additional income
34 coming in. Chairman Farrell stated that the Town would have to talk to the Department of Revenue
35 because they set the guidelines. Chairman Farrell stated that the December tax bill is coming and the tax
36 rate is going down. Vice Chairman Freda said yes look at the revenue coming in, but you also have to
37 look at what's going out and look at the Town.
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39 Deb Paul, 118 Hardy Rd, asked if more details minutes can be kept of the Traffic Safety Committee
40 meetings.
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42 Town Manager Smith stated that last week there was a major sewer line break at the intersection of
43 Mammoth and Rockingham Rd. Smith commended the Public Works director and all of the contractors
44 that helped with getting that repaired in a quick time.

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46 Councilor Green wanted to remind the Council about the senior transportation matter and the emergency
47 management update. Chairman Farrell stated that it is all coming up on the Budget Workshop on
48 November 5th.

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NEW BUSINESS

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53 Chairman Farrell introduced Order #2016-34, an Order relative to the expenditure of Maintenance Trust
54 Fund for various projects. Steve Cotton presented the three items. Councilor Green motioned to approve
55 Order #2016-34. Second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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57 Chairman Farrell introduced Order #2016-35, an Order relative to the expenditure of the Reclamation
58 Trust Fund for the new purchase of recycling carts. Town Manager Smith presented and stated that this is
59 for some addition 35 gallon recycling bins. Councilor Green motioned to approve Order #2016-35.
60 Second by Vice Chairman Freda. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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62 Chairman Farrell introduced the first reading of Ordinance #2016-08, an Ordinance relative to the
63 restriction on removing water from public bodies of water for commercial use. Town Manager Smith
64 presented. Chairman Farrell stated that the Public Hearing will be held on November 7th.

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PUBLIC HEARING

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OLD BUSINESS

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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74 Approval of the Town Council minutes from October 3, 2016 made by Vice Chairman Freda and second
75 by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 4-0-1. Councilor Green was absent from last meeting.

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COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS

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79 Town Council made a motion to accept the resignations of Bonnie Ritvo and Flo Silva from the Senior
80 Resources Committee. Councilor Green motioned and second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.
81 Chairman Farrell thanked the ladies for their service.

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82 Chairman Farrell introduced a request from the Senior Resources Committee Chair to appoint Dick
83 Flores and Tam Siekmann from alternates to full-time members. Motion to approve made by Councilor
84 Green and second by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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ADJOURNMENT

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88 Motion to adjourn made by Councilor Green and second by Vice Chairman Freda. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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90 Notes and Tapes by: Kirby Wade Date: 10/17/2016

91 Minutes Typed by: Kirby Wade Date: 11/02/2016

92 Approved by: Town Council Date: 11/07/2016