

LONDONDERRY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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2 **December 5, 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 Councilor Joe Greens mom who passed away
14 this past week. A moment of silence for her and the Green family.
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16 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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18 John Farrell opened up the floor for public comment.
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20 There was no public comment.
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22 **PUBLIC HEARING**

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24 Chairman Farrell introduced Resolution #2016-19, a Resolution relative to accepting COPS Hiring
25 Program Award for the Londonderry Police Department. Motion to move into Public Hearing made by
26 Councilor Green and second by Vice Chair Freda. Chair votes 5-0-0.
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28 Chief Bill Hart presented the Resolution. Chief Hart stated that this is a Grant the Police Department
29 applied for this past summer through the Federal Government for the community oriented police
30 services. Chief Hart stated that they have received a matching grant for two officers. The matching
31 Grant totals \$250,000. There are a couple of conditions. One of the ones the Police Department has to
32 hire has to be a veteran. The second condition is the hiring authority in the Town of Londonderry must
33 keep that person on for twelve months after the third full budget year. A totally of forty-eight months.
34 The money can be spent in any framework over the next thirty-six months. Chief Hart stated that they
35 are on a clock in terms of accepting. There a ninety day period in which to accept. Chief Hart stated that
36 they can hire in this Fiscal Year.
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38 Chairman Farrell opened it up to the public. There was no public comment.
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40 Motion to accept and approve Resolution #2016-19 made by Councilor Green and second by Councilor

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41 Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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43 Motion to close Public Hearing made by Councilor Green and second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes
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NEW BUSINESS

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48 Chairman Farrell introduced Order #2016-37, an Order relative to the expenditure of Maintenance Trust
49 Fund. Steve Cotton presented. Cotton stated that there are four items included in this Order totaling
50 \$27,874.00. Motion to approve Order #2016-37 made by Councilor Green and second by Councilor
51 Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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53 Chairman Farrell introduced Order #2016-38, the withdrawal of Capital Reserve Funds for Pillsbury
54 Cemetery Expansion. Steve Cotton presented. Cotton stated that there are eight cemeteries in Town. The
55 only one that has available plots left is Pillsbury. Cotton stated that it needs to expand to phase three,
56 piece of land donated from the Woodmont property. Cotton stated that tonight he is looking for
57 \$34,580.00 to kick off the engineering study. Motion to approve Order #2016-38 made by Councilor
58 Dolan and second by Vice Chair Freda. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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OLD BUSINESS

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62 Chairman Farrell introduced the budget workshop. Town Manager Kevin Smith and Finance Director
63 Doug Smith presented. Town Manager Smith presented the Council with the updated budget and went
64 over the changes made. The Council discussed and made certain changes to the budget.

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66 The Town Council discussed possible warrant articles and the tax rate. The issue of senior transportation
67 was discussed and whether the Town will fund CART or find a new avenue.

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69 Chairman Farrell put the budget discussion on hold so that interviews for various Boards/Committees
70 could be conducted.

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BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT/RE-APPOINTMENT

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74 The Town Council conducting interviews of members looking for re-appointment and new members
75 looking to fill open positions. The Council interviewed various applicants for openings on The
76 Conservation Commission, Heritage Commission, Planning Board, Senior Resources Committee and the
77 Zoning Board. Chairman Farrell stated that they are looking for new members and the Council will be
78 making appointments on December 19th.

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OLD BUSINESS CONT.

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83 The Councilor discussed the communication issue with the Fire Department and the Police Department.
84 Town Manager Smith stated that Finance Director Doug Smith looked into the idea of leasing instead of
85 bonding. Doug Smith stated that this project is subject to a leasing proposal. The Council discussed the
86 options. Fire Chief Darren O'Brien shared the concern of communication with the Police and Fire
87 Departments and the need for this communication update. Chairman Farrell stated that they would like
88 to see more on the leasing piece and some hard numbers, what does it look like. How many years.
89 Chairman Farrell stated that he thinks they will come back and want some cash.

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ADJOURNMENT

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93 Motion to adjourn made by Councilor Green and second by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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