

# LONDONDERRY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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2 **February 13, 2017**  
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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 and Joe Green; Town  
8 Manager Kevin Smith; Executive Assistant Kirby Wade; Absent; Councilor Tom Dolan  
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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 our plow drivers, first responders and all those  
14 who serve us both here and abroad and those taking care of our community.  
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16 **PUBLIC COMMENT**  
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20 **PUBLIC HEARING**  
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22 Motion to open public hearing made by Councilor Green and second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 3-  
23 0-0. Chairman Farrell introduced the cable television license renewal public hearing with Comcast.  
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25 Chairman Farrell stated that the legal notice for this Public Hearing was published and posted.  
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27 Brian Christensen, Comcast representative, introduced himself to the Council. Christensen stated that they  
28 are looking forward to renewing the cable franchise with the Town of Londonderry. Christensen stated  
29 that the contract we have now expires May 31, 2019. Christensen stated that he is here to hear out members  
30 of the community and if they are in support of renewing the contract.  
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32 Drew Caron, Londonderry Cable Access Center Director, stated that the relationship the Town has with  
33 Comcast now has never been stronger. Caron stated that every time they call a problem is always  
34 immediately handled. Caron read in a letter in support from Dottie Grover of the Cable Center.  
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36 Town Manager Smith brought up the subject of having wifi at the Town Common and at the Nelson Rd.  
37 recreation fields. Smith asked if it could be a variable in the negotiations process the perhaps if we drop a  
38 channel we can pick up wifi in other areas of town. Caron stated that it can certainly be asked. Caron  
39 stated that a lot of people have been asking about ate Common and the LAFA fields. Councilor Green  
40 stated that over at West Rd they pay for their own.

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42 Al Sypek, 86 Constitution Drive, stated that he is a very satisfied Comcast customer. Sypek stated that he  
43 does a lot of volunteer work at the studio as well. Sypek stated that he agrees with everything Caron has  
44 stated but wanted to point out that this contract is only for television and not wifi. Sypek stated that he is  
45 very happy with the way the contact is and we are a lucky community with the cable access we have here  
46 in Londonderry. Sypek stated that he is in favor of renewing the contract.

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48 Mary Wing Soares, 2 Gail Rd, stated that she as well agrees with everything that was said and is in favor  
49 of renewing the contract. Soares stated that Comcast's customer service has improved so much over the  
50 years. Soares stated that Comcast has been responsive in updating the equipment. Soares also applauded  
51 Caron and all of the member of the Cable Access Center.

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53 Vice Chairman Freda entered the room.

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55 Chairman Farrell stated that you have to advocate for yourself. If there is a problem, call Comcast. There  
56 was no other comment from the Council. Chairman Farrell stated to Caron to see what he could do and  
57 let the Council know what they come up with.

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59 Motion to close public hearing made by Councilor Green and second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 4-  
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## **OLD BUSINESS**

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**NONE**

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**NONE**

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## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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73 Approval of Town Council minutes from February 6, 2017 made by Councilor Green and second by  
74 Councilor Butler. Chair votes 4-0-0.

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## **BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT/RE-APPOINTMENT**

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78 Motion to appoint Bob Maxwell as a member of the Conservation Commission made by Councilor Green  
79 and second by Vice Chairman Freda. Chair votes 4-0-0.

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## TOWN MANAGER REPORT

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## ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Councilor Green and second by Vice Chair Freda. Chair votes 4-0-0.

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