

**STATE OF MAINE**

**COUNTY OF YORK**

**CITY OF SACO**

The following are minutes of the City Council Meeting held on October 5, 2009.

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – On Monday October 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. a Council Meeting was held in the City Hall Auditorium.

**II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS** – Mayor Roland Michaud conducted a roll call of the members and determined that the Councilors present constituted a quorum. Those present: Margaret Mills, Leslie Smith, Jr., Ronald Morton, Arthur Tardif, Sandra Bastille, Eric Cote and Marston Lovell. Also in attendance this evening were Mr. Richard R. Michaud, City Administrator and Lucette S. Pellerin, City Clerk.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. GENERAL: Water Environmental Federation, Water Hero Award – Saco Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Mr. John Hart, Chief Operator, Saco Wastewater Treatment Plant, was selected as a Water Environment Federation Water Hero by the United States Environmental Protection Agency New England Office.

The letter of recognition made reference to John's dedication to his work, to the community and the recent work done by John and his colleagues to make the Saco wastewater treatment plant a mode of energy efficiency and sustainability for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**On behalf of the City of Saco we congratulate to John Hart for a job well done**

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 8, 2009; AND SEPTEMBER 21, 2009**

Minutes were approved as printed.

**VI. AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. BUY LOCAL COMMITTEE PRESENTATION – WILL ARMITAGE**

Mr. Will Armitage addressed the Mayor and Council providing information on the Biddeford-Saco Buy Local Campaign. The marketing endeavor is designed to educate resident to Think Local First when they are considering where to make purchases, to buy local whenever possible and be local by supporting business that make our community unique.

**B. RIVERWALK TRAIL COMMITTEE PRESENTATION**

The Saco River Walk Trail has been under development for about two (2) years. It is currently scheduled for new stairways and handrail this fall, thanks to the Riverfront Community Development Bond

approved by Maine voters in 2008. The cities of Saco and Biddeford were awarded grants from the State for riverfront improvements.

While the two (2) river walk committees are separate groups, each is aware of the other's efforts. The Biddeford project has just entered a design phase, and expects to get construction under way in the spring. It will unveil this vision statement at the upcoming meeting: "To create an urban river walk along the Saco River between Mechanics's Park and the Diamond Match property in Biddeford, with ultimate connections across the river to Saco, to neighborhoods and businesses, linking with local, regional and national trails including the Eastern Trail."

#### **C. (SECOND & FINAL READING) CODE AMENDMENT – CHAPTER 15, FUNDS**

There are several trust funds held by the city as trustee. Each has its own ordinance providing governing use, administration, etc.

City Code Chapter 15, Article I, and II, Trust Funds provide this structure for the care of these trusts and the charge of the Board of Trustees. Chapter 15 is being updated to reflect current practice; the changes in the Code are housekeeping in nature and refer to: Article I, appointment and term, meeting requirements, and vacancies; And Article II, membership and term.

Councilor Lovell moved, Councilor Mills seconded, that the City of Saco hereby approves the Second and Final Reading of the document titled, "Amendments to Chapter 15, Funds, dated August 2, 2009". The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

#### **D. CONFIRM THE MAYORS APPOINTMENTS TO THE SACO TRUST FUND AND THE LUCIA KIMBALL DERING HOSPITAL TRUST FUND – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Councilor Mills moved, Councilor Lovell seconded, that it be ordered that the City Council confirm the Mayor's appointment of Eric Purvis, Audrey Milne and Elizabeth McKenna to the Saco Trust Fund Board of Trustee and further to confirm the Mayors appointment of all the current members of the Lucia Kimball Deering Hospital Fund Board of Trustees identified on Exhibit A, to lifetime terms, and upon their death or resignation that the city code article II § 15-11 membership and term requirements apply. Further move to approve the order. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

#### **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor Mills moved, Councilor Morton seconded, to adjourn. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas. TIME: 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:  
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Lucette S. Pellerin, City Clerk