

STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY OF YORK

CITY OF SACO

I. CALL TO ORDER – On Monday, November 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. a Council Meeting was held in the City Hall Auditorium.

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS – Mayor Donald Pilon conducted a roll call of the members and determined that the Councilors present constituted a quorum. Councilors present: David Precourt, Leslie Smith Jr., Bette Brunswick, Kevin Roche, Arthur Tardif, Eric Cote and Nathan Johnston. City Administrator Rick Michaud was also present.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. GENERAL:

1) WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION (WEF) ANNOUNCES 2014 WEF FELLOWS: JOHN HART, WRRD DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Mayor Pilon congratulated John Hart on behalf of the Council and himself and presented John with a plaque and also read the following recognition:

The Water Environment Federation (WEF) proudly announces twelve distinguished members as the 2014 WEF Fellows recipients. This prestigious designation recognizes members' achievements, stature, and contributions in the water profession.

“These are some of the finest water quality professionals in action today,” said WEF Executive Director Eileen O’Neill. “The Fellows designation recognizes the level of their impact on our profession and its ability to affect public health and the environment.”

The WEF Fellow Recognition Program underscores WEF’s reputation as a valuable water quality resource, which is due in large part to the expertise of its diverse membership. WEF Fellows are recognized in various areas of expertise including, but not limited to design, education, operations, regulation, research, utility management and leadership.

The 2014 WEF Fellows will be recognized during [WEFTEC® 2014](#), WEF’s 87th annual technical exhibition and conference to be held in New Orleans, La. Sept. 27 – Oct. 1.

John Hart

Professional Category: Utility Engineering/Management
Saco, ME

About WEF

Founded in 1928, the Water Environment Federation (WEF) is a not-for-profit technical and educational organization of 36,000 individual members and 75 affiliated Member Associations representing water quality professionals around the world. WEF members, Member Associations and staff proudly work to achieve our mission to provide bold leadership, champion innovation, connect water professionals, and leverage knowledge to support clean and safe water worldwide. To learn more, visit www.wef.org.

2) MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT DAVID ANDERSON AWARD FOR LABORATORY EXCELLENCE: STACY THOMPSON – WRRD LEAD OPERATOR/LABORATORY TECHNICIAN

Mayor Pilon congratulated Stacy Thompson on behalf of the Council and himself and presented Stacy with a

plaque that read as follows: MeWea David Anderson Award for Laboratory Excellence. Presented to Stacy Thompson. In recognition of outstanding performance, professionalism and contributions to the Water Quality Analysis Profession. Dated: September 18, 2014.

V. AGENDA:

A. CITY SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY

On January 6, 2014, the City Council drafted a list of potential goals for the City. Among these Goals was the Council's desire to review City-owned properties to determine if there is value to the City in owning each property and consider whether selling the property or maintaining the current status of the property is appropriate.

Document History:

Workshop – 10/6/2014

Meeting – 10/20/2014 – The council voted unanimously to approve the motion to “authorize the City Administrator to refer the document titled ‘*City Properties Recommended by Staff- II*’ to the Planning Board for review and recommendation pursuant to code ‘Sale of City-Owned Property Chapter 81, Article I, Section 81-2.’” Councilor Smith has for reconsideration of the motion to include the Tarbox property.

Councilor Smith moved, Councilor Brunswick seconded “Be it Ordered that the City Council RECONSIDER the motion to authorize the City Administrator to refer the document titled “City Properties Recommended by Staff - II” to the Planning Board for review and recommendation pursuant to code ‘Sale of City-Owned Property Chapter 81, Article I, Section 81-2, to include the property known as the Tarbox Property to the document ‘City Properties Recommended by Staff – II’. Further move to approve the order. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilor Brunswick asked that item #C be voted on separately.

Councilor Smith moved, Councilor Brunswick seconded to approve consent agenda items #A, B and D as follows:

- A. Be it Ordered that the City Council approve the minutes for October 6, 2014. Further move to approve The order;
- B. The City Council hereby Ordains and Approves the First Reading of the document titled, “Amendments to Table 707 – Signs in Business and Industrial Zones, Amended June 11, 2013”, and further move to set the Public Hearing for November 17, 2014.;
- D. Be it Ordered that the City Council grant Jeanette Schmid a Massage Therapist License in accordance with the Codes of the City of Saco, Chapter 138.” Further move to approve the Order.

The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

Note: The complete item commentaries are listed below.

B. ZOA §707-4 – SIGNS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONES FOR COMMERCIAL USES – (FIRST READING)

The Planning Office has been approached about allowing larger signs for commercial uses in residential zones on certain arterial streets. A recent example is the Acapello Salon seeking approval for a larger sign, as traffic on Main Street makes reading signs difficult, particularly for those seeking an unfamiliar destination. The current request is regarding a small business recently established at 7 Industrial Park Road, in the R-2 zone. The proposed language would allow larger signs in specific residential-zoned areas that public ways such as Elm Street, Main Street, and Industrial Park Road pass through.

The Planning Board considered this in workshop and held a public hearing on Oct. 1, 2014. The Board recommends that the amendments proposed be adopted.

“Amendments to Section 707-4. B – BUSINESS SIGNS IN RESIDENTIAL, CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE PROTECTION DISTRICTS, Amended OCTOBER 1, 2014”,

(Please note underline represents new language while ~~strikethrough~~ is language to be deleted).

707-4. BUSINESS SIGNS IN RESIDENTIAL, CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE PROTECTION DISTRICTS

Exterior signs shall not exceed four square feet if attached parallel to the wall of a building, two square feet (each side) if projecting from the wall of a building, or two square feet (each side) if the sign is freestanding. Signs shall not be illuminated. Only one category of sign (wall sign, projecting, or free-standing) shall be allowed per building. No illuminated or mobile (chassis-mounted) signs shall be permitted in a Residential or Conservation District. No signs are permitted on trucks or trailers parked continuously in a Residential, Conservation, or Resource Protection districts.

Exterior signs for properties approved for non-residential uses in residential districts with frontage on roads or streets listed below shall not exceed twelve square feet if attached parallel to the wall of a building, twelve square feet (each side) if projecting from the wall of a building, or twelve square feet (each side) if the sign is freestanding. Signs may be externally illuminated during hours of operation only, and only with a top of sign-mounted, fully shielded fixture which illuminates the sign only. The roads and streets affected include Route One (Elm Street, Main Street, Portland Road), Industrial Park Road, and North Street/Route 112 (Park Street to Rotary Drive). (Amended 11/21/94, ??/??/14)

C. APPLICATION FOR SOLID WASTE PERMIT – PINE TREE/BBI WASTE

Pine Tree/BBI Waste has applied for a Solid Waste Permit for a period of one year.

The applicant has paid all applicable permit fees as required by Chapter 181 – Solid Waste, Article II, Licenses §181-21.

Councilor Cote moved, Councilor Brunswick seconded “Be it Ordered that the City Council grant the application for a Solid Waste Permit as submitted by Pine Tree/BBI Waste.” Further move to approve the Order. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

D. MASSAGE THERAPIST LICENSE APPLICATION: JEANETTE SCHMID

Jeanette Schmid, located at the Saco Healing Arts Center, 209 Main Street has applied for a Massage Therapist License.

The applicant has paid all applicable permit fees and has provided a copy of her State of Maine Massage Therapist License in compliance with Chapter 138, Sub-section §138-9 Basic proficiency.

VII. ADJOURN THE MEETING

Councilor Roche moved, Councilor Precourt seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

Attest: _____
Michele L. Hughes, City Clerk