

STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY OF YORK

CITY OF SACO

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I. CALL TO ORDER – On Monday, May 11, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. a Council Meeting was held via video conference due to the national health emergency COVID-19 pandemic.

II. RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS PRESENT – Mayor William Doyle recognized the members of the Council and determined that the Councilors present constituted a quorum. Councilors present: Marshall Archer, James Purdy, Joseph Gunn, Lynn Copeland, Alan Minthorn, Jodi MacPhail and Nathan Johnston. City Administrator Bryan Kaenrath was also present this evening.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. GENERAL - (Video recording 0:40 minute mark)

A. MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Mayor Doyle noted that May is Mental Health month and a proclamation will be presented at the May 18th meeting.

Mayor Doyle also had the following announcements:

- National Police Week – May 10th – 16th
- Thank you to Idexx and the community members who work there for their valiant effort for getting approval of more COVID -19 testing.

V. COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE TO COUNCIL - (Video recording 1:44 minute mark)

- Councilor MacPhail - Dyer Library – Phase 2 June 1st Re-opening
- Councilor Archer – York County Budget Committee Update - Projected City Levy \$1.330 million to pay to the County.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT – (Video recording 4:07 minute mark)

- Don Pilon, Glenhaven Circle – Concerned about proposed School Board Budget increases.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MAY 4, 2020 - (Video recording 9:06 minute mark)

Councilor Minthorn moved, Councilor Purdy seconded to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2020 council meeting as written. The motion passed with four (4) yeas and three (3) nays – Councilors: Archer, Copeland, and Johnston.

VII. CONSENT ITEMS

IX. ACTION ITEMS - (Video recording 11:10 minute mark)

A. THIBODEAU CONTRACT ZONE AGREEMENT – OWNERSHIP TRANSFER REQUEST

Councilor Archer moved, Councilor Minthorn seconded “Be it Ordered that the City Council approves the first reading of the ownership transfer of the Contract Zone Agreement by and between Herve C. Thibodeau, Trustee of the Thibodeau Family Property Trust and the City of Saco, dated February 14, 2012 to Herve C. Thibodeau Jr., and Next Generation Realty LLC, and further moves to schedule the second and final reading on May 18, 2020. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

Note: This item was reconsidered and amended later in the meeting. See page #2, Action Items, #A.

X. NEW BUSINESS -

A. CLARIFICATION OF TRAILSIDE CIRCLE WARRANTY DEED - (Video recording 14:55 minute mark)

Councilor Gunn moved, Councilor Minthorn seconded to add the following order to the consent agenda on May 18,

2020: “Be it Ordered that the City Council formally accepts as a city street the indicated portion on Trailside Circle per the closed Warranty Deed.”

Councilor Johnston - For the record, the original motion conditional acceptance in 2017 was an attempt to get the developer to finish several conditions of approval by June 2018. That never happened. It wasn't until January 2020 which this current council accepted the open space areas as finished. As I noted then, I was not happy with the final outcome. But, primarily due to the lack of a public trail system. But I appreciate the staff's efforts meeting with me to answer my questions. With that said, I have no problem not making conditional road acceptance motions as mentioned in the memo to us as long as developers and staff no longer forward road acceptances with unfinished conditions of approvals.

Councilor Johnston followed up that he does agree that the City Planner is doing a phenomenal job now, but he just wanted it stated for the record going forward that if we have any changes of these things they need to continue the way they are now, going forward.

Mayor Doyle called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

B. PARK NORTH CONTRACT ZONE – REQUEST TO ALTER CONDITIONS OF AUGUST 2019 USE AMENDMENT - (Video recording 20:21 minute mark)

Councilor Gunn moved, Councilor MacPhail seconded to schedule this request as an action item on the May 18th City Council agenda.

Tabled – Councilor Copeland moved, Councilor Gunn seconded to table this item to May 18th. The motion passed with six (6) yeas and one (1) nay – Councilor Minthorn.

C. DELIBERATION AND CONSIDERATION OF FY2021 SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BUDGET- (Video recording 31:00 minute mark)

Tabled – Councilor Minthorn moved, Councilor Archer second to table this item until May 18th. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

IX. ACTION ITEMS - (Video recording 51:00 minute mark)

A. THIBODEAU CONTRACT ZONE AGREEMENT – OWNERSHIP TRANSFER REQUEST

City Planner Emily Cole-Prescott clarified that the motion was intended to be a second & final reading and not a first reading.

Reconsideration – Councilor Archer moved, Councilor Minthorn seconded to reconsider the motion. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

Amendment – Councilor Archer moved, Councilor Minthorn seconded “Be it Ordered that the City Council approves the second & final reading of the ownership transfer of the Contract Zone Agreement by and between Herve C. Thibodeau, Trustee of the Thibodeau Family Property Trust and the City of Saco, dated February 14, 2012 to Herve C. Thibodeau Jr., and Next Generation Realty LLC. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

Mayor Doyle called for a vote on the main motion with the amendment. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas.

XI. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE - (Video recording 57:40 minute mark)

City Administrator Bryan Kaenrath provided administrative updates.

XII. COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND COMMENT - (Video recording 1:03:40 minute mark)

- Councilor Minthorn
- Councilor Archer
- Councilor Johnston

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

XV. ADJOURNMENT - (Video recording 1:11:26 minute mark)

Councilor Minthorn moved, Councilor Archer seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with seven (7) yeas. Time: 7:43 p.m.

Attest: _____
Michele L. Hughes, City Clerk