HOLDEN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Monday November 17, 2014
Holden Municipal Building
6:00 P. M.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Harvey called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Members Present: Robert Harvey, Chairman; Rod Black, Vice Chairperson; Ralph McLeod, Councilor; Tom Copeland, Councilor; Paul Amoroso, Councilor.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Benjamin Breadmore, Town Manager; Sherry Murray, Treasurer; Ryan Davis, Fire Chief; Christopher Beaumont, Fire Fighter; Jennifer Newcomb, SAD School Board Member; John Bryant, Ellen Campbell; Kevin Cuddy; Carol Cuddy; Rodney Hanscom; Kerry Zimmerman; Pat Sirois; Barbara Tennent; Joel Swanton; Gregg Caporossi.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Harvey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Moment of Silence

Chairman Harvey asked for a moment of silence to reflect on someone or something positive that has touched their lives since we last met.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Approval of Minutes for November 10, 2014 Special Council Meeting Minutes

Councilor Copeland moved, Councilor McLeod seconded; to approve the minutes as submitted. Vote 4-0 in favor Councilor Amoroso abstained.

6. Consent Agenda

A. Financials

Councilor McLeod moved, Councilor Amoroso seconded; to approve the financial information as noted. Vote 5-0 in favor.

FY 2014/2015 Warrant #8 for:	$523,602.89
Total:	**$523,602.89**

B. Department Reports

Councilor McLeod moved, Councilor Copeland seconded; to approve the Department Reports as submitted. Vote 5-0 in favor.

C. School Board Update

Jennifer Newcomb from the SAD School Board updated the Council on upcoming meetings and briefed them on discussion from previous meetings.

7. Old Business

None

8. New Business

A. Holden Land Trust

The Holden Land Trust has partnered with the Trust for Public Land for an ongoing project to acquire 960 acres of forest land from private landowners. Gegg Caporossi, from the Trust for Public Land, explained the community forest concept and its benefits to the community. Council requested the Holden Land Trust keep them informed of the progress.

B. Personal Property Tax Abatement

Councilor McLeod moved, Councilor Amoroso seconded; to approve the personal property tax abatement for $124.80 for taxes assessed to Co Active Capital Partner, Inc. Vote 5-0 in favor.

C. Real Estate Tax Abatement

Councilor McLeod moved, Councilor Copeland seconded; to approve the real estate tax abatement for $13.85 for taxes assessed to Philip Ingraham. Vote 5-0 in favor.

9. Other Business

None

10. Public Comment

Pat Sirois reminded Council about the Tree Lighting ceremony at the Old Town Hall on December 7, 2014.

11. Executive Session

A. Discuss Personnel Issue Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A)

Councilor McLeod moved, Councilor Copeland seconded; to enter into Executive Session (6:50 p.m.) to discuss a personnel issue pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A). Vote 5-0 in favor.

Councilor Amoroso moved, McLeod seconded; to leave Executive Session (7:42 p.m.). Vote 5-0 in favor.

12. Adjournment

Councilor Copeland moved, Councilor McLeod seconded; to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Vote 5-0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Benjamin Breadmore
Town Manager

Date Approved: Bjm NK Bl