

**HOLDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, November 16, 2020  
Holden Municipal Building  
6:00 P. M.**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Chairperson Copeland called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M

**Members present:** Thomas Copeland, Chairperson; Ryan Carey Vice Chairperson; Rod Black, Councilor; Joel Dearborn, Councilor, and David Hawes, Councilor.

**Others present:** Benjamin R.K. Breadmore, Town Manager; Tressa Smith, Treasurer; Chris Greeley, Police Chief; Ryan Davis, Fire Chief; Roger Huber, Legal Counsel; Ronda Hogan, Town Clerk; Brent Basely, Fire Captain; and Sean McMillan.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Moment of Silence**

**4. Public Comment**

None

**5. Public Hearing**

**A. Sale of Fireworks Permit (Big Bang Boom Fireworks)**

Chairperson Copeland opened the Public Hearing and no testimony was given.

**6. Approval of Minutes for October 19, 2020 Town Council Meeting.**

Councilor Carey moved, Councilor Dearborn seconded; to approve the minutes for the October 19, 2020, Regular Council Meeting. Vote 5-0 in favor.

**7. Consent Agenda**

**A. Financial Warrants**

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Carey seconded; to approve the financial information as noted. Vote 5-0 in favor.

**B. Department Reports**

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to approve the Department Reports as submitted. Vote 5-0 in favor.

Councilor Dearborn thanked David Hawes for lending his expertise on the water filtration system to be installed at the Town Office.

### **C. School Board Update**

#### **8. Old Business**

None

#### **9. New Business**

##### **A. Consider Renewal of Big Bang Boom Annual Fireworks Sale Permit**

Councilor Carey moved; Councilor Black seconded; to approve the Big Bang Boom Annual Fireworks Sale Permit. Vote 5-0 in favor.

##### **B. Approval of Donation**

Councilor Carey moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to approve the donation to the Holden Police Department. Vote 5-0 in favor.

##### **C. Signage for the Holden Nature Trails**

Councilor Dearborn moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to approve the purchase of signage for the Holden Nature Trails. Vote 5-0 in favor.

##### **D. Waiver of Foreclosure**

Councilor Dearborn moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to waive foreclosure on the trailer formerly located at 18 Sleepy Hollow. Vote 5-0 in favor.

#### **10. Other Business (By Unanimous Consent)**

1. A donation of \$100 was requested by Tina Ferill of the Holbrook Rec. to organize a scholarship to our local Boy Scout Camp Roosevelt in memory of Mark Jarvis, the son of our long-time Rec. Member/Current Treasurer.

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to approve the request of \$100. Vote 5-0 in favor.

2. In examining property owned by the Town, the Hog Hill property is still owned by Holden with the conservation easement over it. A suggestion was made by Town Manger Breadmore to reach out to the Land Trust on their interest in owning the property outright. Some discussion was had and it was asked of

attorney Roger Huber to assure there will be no adverse impact in making the transaction.

3. Councilor Black gave an update on the Penobscot County Budget going up an anticipated 11% due to bond payment and additional needs for the Sheriff's department. To the Town of Holden that could be an anticipated increase of \$48,538.82.

#### **11. Public Comment**

Police Chief Greeley addressed the Town Council and shared that the staff of the Holden Police Department would match the \$100 committed by the Holden Town Council this evening for the scholarship.

#### **12. Adjournment**

Councilor Carey moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 P.M.

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