

**HOLDEN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 19, 2021
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: Rod Black, Councilor; Joel Dearborn, Councilor, David Hawes, Councilor and Thomas Copeland, Chairperson.

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; Bruce Dowling, Highway Department Foreman, Cameron Shaw, Highway Department Employee, Mindy Cyr, CPA from Maine Municipal Audit Services, Patricia Sirois, Resident.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Moment of Silence

4. Public Comment

5. Public Hearing

A. Zoning Ordinance Amendments

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

6. Approval of Minutes for December 14, 2020 Regular Town Council Meeting.

Councilor Dearborn moved, Councilor Black seconded; to approve the minutes for the December 14, 2020, Regular Council Meeting. Vote 3-0-1 in favor, Councilor Copeland abstained due to not being present at the December meeting.

7. Consent Agenda

A. Financial Warrants

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to approve the financial information as noted. Vote 4-0 in favor.

B. Department Reports

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to approve the Department Reports as submitted. Vote 4-0 in favor.

C. School Board Update

8. Old Business

A. Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Councilor Dearborn moved; Councilor Hawes seconded to approve the zoning ordinance amendments as presented. Vote 4-0 in favor.

B. Business Recognition Discussion

It was discussed that due to the number of Councilors that would like to participate in the set up of this recognition process, that the Town Manager set up a special meeting of the Council to do so.

9. New Business

A. Audit Presentation

Mindy Cyr from Maine Municipal Audit Service was available to answer any questions the Council had on the yearly audit.

B. Mid-Year Budget Review

It was discussed whether the mid-year budget review was necessary on top of the monthly budget review given to the Council. The Town Manager and Legal Counsel are going to check into the Charter to see if the mid-year is required.

C. Creation of the Mainers Assisting Communities (MAC) Account

Councilor Dearborn moved; Councilor Hawes seconded the creation of the Mainers Assisting Communities (MAC) Account. Vote 4-0 in favor.

D. Tax Acquired Property

Councilor Dearborn moved; Councilor Hawes seconded the approval of the sale of the tax acquired property by bid. Vote 4-0 in favor.

E. Reserve Fund Transfer

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded approval of the Reserve Fund Transfer. Vote 4-0 in favor.

F. Authorization of Engineering Services on Sand/Salt Shed

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded approval of the acceptance of the Haley Ward bid for engineering services on the new sand/salt shed. Vote 4-0 in favor.

G. Authorization to replace Plow Truck

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Dearborn seconded approval of replacing the Highway Department Plow Truck. Vote 4-0 in favor.

H. Appointment to Planning Board

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Hawes seconded the appointment of a new Holden Planning Board member. Vote 4-0 in favor.

I. Personnel Policy Updates

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Dearborn seconded to approve the proposed amendments to the Town of Holden Personnel Policy. Vote 4-0 in favor.

10. Other Business (By Unanimous Consent)

11. Public Comment

12. Adjournment

Councilor Dearborn moved; Councilor Hawes seconded; to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 P.M.