

**HOLDEN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Monday August 12, 2024
Holden Municipal Building
6:00 P. M.**

AGENDA

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Carey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Ryan Carey, Chairperson; Thomas Copeland, Vice-Chairperson; Ellen Campbell, Councilor; Joel Dearborn, Councilor; and David Hawes, Councilor.

Others present: Benjamin R.K. Breadmore, Town Manager; Tressa Smith, Finance Director; Brooke Billings, Clerk; Melissa Gray, Deputy Clerk; Eduardo Benjamin, Police Chief; Hunter Christian, Officer; Nate Hastings, Asst. Fire Chief; Brent Basley, Fire Captain; Gabe LeClair, Firefighter; Darrin Gray, Public Works Director; Eva Benjamin, Kim Donnell, Richard Barclay, Nathan Larson, Larry Laughlin, and other Holden residents.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Moment of Silence

D. Public Comment

Resident Richard Barclay brought up a trash issue on South Road. The resident also brought up speeders on the South Road as well. Benjamin Breadmore responded to the trash comments and Chief Benjamin commented on speeders.

Councilor Campbell introduced Eagle Scout Nathan Larson. Nathan mentioned that he was looking at building kiosks for the trail. He walked around with Darrin and talked about clean up. Chief Benjamin donated \$500 from 25 Days of Kindness to put towards building benches.

1. Public Hearing

Chairperson Carey motioned to move back to public hearing due to missing it. Councilor Hawes moved to accept the hop back. Councilor Dearborn seconded the motion; it passed by unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

Brooke Billings, Town Clerk; read the public notice. Benjamin Breadmore, Town Manager spoke on having no issues with Holden Pat's Pizza.

2. Approval of Minutes for July 15, 2024 Regular Town Council Meeting.

Councilor Dearborn moved to accept the minutes as presented. Councilor Campbell seconded the motion; it passed by unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Financial Warrants

Vice Chair Copeland moved to accept the Financial Warrants as presented. Councilor Campbell seconded the motion; it passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

B. Department Reports

Councilor Hawes moved to accept the Department Reports as presented. Councilor Dearborn seconded the motion; it passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

C. School Board Update

Town Manager Breadmore gave a brief update on the discussion on the closing of either Eddington or Holden Elementary school in the future. Brought up a special election in the beginning of next year to allow the schools to create their budgets.

D. Recognitions

Chairperson Carey and the Town Council recognized Tractor Supply for the month of August.

4. Old Business

There was none.

5. New Business

A. Snowmobile Club Grant

Councilor Campbell moved to accept the Snowmobile Club Grant. Councilor Dearborn seconded the motion; it passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

B. Winter Sand Quotes

Councilor Hawes moved to accept using Whitmore for our winter sand. Vice chair Copeland seconded the motion; it passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

C. Consider Approval to Traditions Golf Club, Inc Liquor License

Councilor Dearborn moved to accept the Renewal of Traditions Liquor License. Councilor Hawes seconded the motion; it passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

D. Naming of Private Way off Cottage Shore Drive

Councilor Dearborn moved to accept the suggested name Rocky Run. Councilor Hawes seconded the motion; it passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

6. Other Business (By Unanimous Consent)

Benjamin Breadmore spoke on behalf of Fire Chief Ryan Davis in regards to the purchase of a new Fire Truck. Brent gave a brief description and cost on the purchase.

E. **Adjournment**

Councilor Campbell made a motion to adjourn at 6:44 p.m., Vice chair Copeland seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 5-0.

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