

**HOLDEN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday August 21, 2019
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; Rod Black, Vice Chairperson; Patricia Sirois, Councilor; Robert Harvey, Councilor; Ryan Carey, Councilor.

Others present: Benjamin R.K. Breadmore, Town Manager; Andy Fish, Treasurer; Ryan Davis, Fire Chief; Bruce Dowling, Highway; Chris Greeley, Police Chief; Carol Cuddy; Art Unobskey, Darrin Gray, Richard Reynolds, John Mills, Larry Lafland, Bob Dion, Joelle and Jeff Parker, and other members of the public.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Copeland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Moment of Silence

Chairperson Copeland 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

Resident Bob Dion inquired about the construction taking place on Route 1A and about speeders on Route 1A as well. The Town Manager and Police Chief presented information to answer the resident's questions.

5. Approval of Minutes for July 15, 2019 Regular Town Council Meeting and July 23, 2019 Special Town Council Meeting.

Councilor Black moved, Councilor Carey seconded; to approve the minutes for July 15, 2019, Regular Council Meeting and July 23, 2019 Special Council Meeting as amended. Vote 5-0 in favor.

6. Consent Agenda

A. Financial Warrants

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

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FY 2019/2020 Journal	# 42	\$ 38,911.42
FY 2019/2020 Journal	# 65	\$ 38,910.35
FY 2019/2020 Warrant	# 5	\$ 323,947.78

Total: \$ 401,769.55

B. Department Reports

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

C. School Board Update

Councilor Harvey updated on activities they have conducted throughout the summer as posted on their website.

7. Old Business

A. Marijuana Discussion

Council discussed sending the question to referendum or non-binding straw poll during the November election. Language will be drafted and presented to the Town Council for approval.

8. New Business

A. Snowmobile Club Grant

Councilor Carey moved, Councilor Sirois seconded; to allow the Eastern Maine Snowmobile Club to apply for a State Grant to assist with trail improvements. Vote 5-0 in favor.

B. Winter Salt Quotes

Councilor Black moved; Councilor Carey seconded; to approve the salt bid submitted by New England Salt for \$58.50 per ton. Vote 5-0 in favor.

C. Winter Sand Quotes

Councilor Carey moved; Councilor Harvey seconded; to approve the sand bid submitted by Rick Whitmore \$12.00/yd. they haul and \$0/yd. to stockpile. Vote 5-0 in favor.

D. Naming of Private Way

Councilor Harvey moved; Councilor Carey seconded; to approve King Pine Drive as new private road name off the Wiswell Rd. Vote 5-0 in favor.

E. Discussion of Highway Personnel

Councilor Carey moved; Councilor Sirois seconded; to approve up to \$100,000 to add two additional positions to the Public Works Department utilizing the Town Charter Article II Town Council Section 2.13 Enumeration of Powers Without limitations of the foregoing, the Council

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Shall have the power to: 11 states “In any one fiscal year, appropriate up to a total of \$100,000 for development or other municipal purposes as voted by 3/5 of the members of Council. Vote 5-0 in favor.

9. Other Business (By Unanimous Consent) – None

10. Public Comment – Resident Timothy Pearson requested the Council in drafting of language for the public question be specific in saying non-medical marijuana and encouraged a referendum over a poll question.

11. Adjournment

Councilor Sirois moved, Councilor Carey seconded; to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Benjamin R.K. Breadmore, Town Manager
Date Approved by Council: September 16, 2019