

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
GARDINER CITY COUNCIL
Wednesday, April 20, 2011
Meeting start time 6:15

Roll Call- Councilor Williams missing, all others present.

ADDENDUM

1. Consideration of FY12 Goals
2. Consideration of 11-27, 41 Clinton Street- Tabled indefinitely, pending notification of all interested parties.
3. Consideration of Road Opening Permit on Griffin Street- Motion made by Councilor Hart to approve Pending Staff approval. Second by Councilor Thompson. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Goals:

Mayor Maclean:

- What is our vision and how should we market it.
- Improving sidewalks in busy neighborhoods, ie: High Holborn, Central St.
- What do other towns do for tax credits for residents?
- Let's finish what we have started.
- Should get public input from Community

Councilor Johnston:

- Make our City Work and more exciting,
- More value for the tax payers dollar.
- Make our Assets Shine, ie: The Waterfront/Downtown.
- Market our town.
- Master plan on the way we Zone.
- Keep the sidewalks in town clean
- Use our Revenue to draw people to town
- Trash receptacles always empty
- Emphasize Gardiner is Business friendly

Councilor Holmes:

- Figure out our Future
- Gardiner has lost Residents over the last 10 years.
- MSAD 11 should be a better School System
- Market the City as a good place to live

We need to get growth here , both Residential and Business
Pedestrian budget concerns—Plowing sidewalks in the winter in neighborhoods that we don't need to.

Trash Disposal, One of our haulers wants to go into the Libby Hill Business Park and we should figure out what we're going to do with our trash.

We need a better recycling service.

Maybe a transfer station

Should have reminders on Property tax bills

Councilor Leake:

Paving of Highland Ave.

RE-Zoning Brunswick Ave.

Roads and Sidewalks are not friendly

Councilor Hart:

Fix underneath Highland Ave. before paving.

Need to find a balance between Business area and Downtown

Give Residents more for their Tax dollar.

People are not building here because Water/Septic/Tax costs are too high

Look at consolidating with other communities.

Trash: Private haulers are expensive

Better looking Residential Buildings

Need to think outside the box to make changes

Regarding Tax bills: Ask residents when they make their first payment if they want a reminder e-mailed to them.

Lisa Liberatore:

More Police Presence on the water front

We are here to help people and need to make sure they know that

Signs advertising the free Wi Fi at the water front

Zoning : we should have a better understanding of it.

Revolving loan fund for Residents

City Manager:

Bring Department Heads in to discuss issues

Economic Development Position being placed this week.

Maybe Partnering with Gardiner Main Street/ their interview process to start soon

Keeping all options opened.

Will keep Council up-dated

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully submitted : Robin Plourde