

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
GARDINER CITY COUNCIL
Wednesday, March 24, 2010

City Council Chambers
Call to Order 7:20 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call All Councilors Present

6:03 p.m. Executive Session –Confidential Records 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(F)
Motion to discuss security at Wastewater Treatment Plant by Councilor Trask,
second by Councilor Thompson, concluded 6:45 p.m.

6:46 p.m. Executive Session – Personnel Matter 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A) Motion
to discuss Personnel Matter by George Trask, second by Greg Thompson,
concluded 7:12 p.m.

Petitions, Public Comments and Public Hearings

Claudia Bailey introduced herself and talked about the upcoming Easter Parade.
Public Hearing held for Off-Premises Catering Permit for Mad Dog Pub, no public
comment.

Councilor Johnston made a motion to authorize the Off Premises Catering Permit
for Mad Dog Pub. Unanimous vote.

Discussion of Sewer Bills

Scott Morelli explained a process to catch up a sewer billing periods to bring it
uniform with the Water District, but billing out an extra quarter over the next six
months. Councilors were concerned with the impact on the customers and tabled
the discussion.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Security

Councilor Holmes made a motion to table this matter, second by Councilor Trask.
Unanimous vote.

Awarding S. Gardiner Pump Station Bid

Councilor Hart made a motion to authorize the City Manager to expend up to the
\$300,000 budget and execute the notice of award to T. Buck Construction for the

amount of \$241,000 to rebuild the South Gardiner Pump Station. Second by Councilor Holmes. After 10 minute recess, Vote of 7 in favor, and Councilor Trask voted in the negative.

Discussion of FY11 Budget Process

Mayor MacLean discussed the upcoming budget and the benefit of a Council workshop with Craig Freshley to come up with a goal statement. Scott Morelli spoke about the process of department heads budgeting and Council's tough choices. Scott confirmed the School Board would be at the meeting 4/7.

Discussion of Personal property and Tax Acquired Property

Tax Collector Kathy Cutler presented the outstanding list.

Amending Bundled Project Engineering Agreement

Councilor Johnston made a motion to put the project out to bid, second by Councilor Trask. Unanimous Vote

City Manager Report

Scott Morelli explained that the City received a request from KVCOG/MDOT to prioritize projects in the City for budgeting purposes—Route 24 River Road, from Sherbourne to Richmond; Hustus Bridge on Capen Rd; Highland Ave; Rte 24 guardrails; Cottage Street to Kingsbury and Vine to Bailey's; Libby Hill Park and Ride.

Council Discussion

Councilor Thompson thanked Public Safety for getting out the flood updates and information. Councilor Trask asked for information about the problem with City Hall Furnace. Councilor Leake commented he had attended an economic development meeting and that Jason did a great job presenting. Mayor MacLean thanked the City staff for getting out and cleaning the streets early.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Deirdre Berglund