

**MINUTES
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
STANDISH, MAINE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2018
STANDISH MUNICIPAL CENTER
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nesbitt called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Councilors present: Delcourt, Libby, Nesbitt, Pomerleau, Sirpis and Starostecki.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (S)

The minutes from the August 14th, 28th and September 11th Town Council Meetings were accepted as presented by unanimous consent.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were no petitions or communications at this meeting.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Kevin Joyce - Cumberland County Sheriff's Department – Sheriff Joyce thanked the Town Council for the opportunity to introduce the Standish Deputy Patrol to them. Sheriff Joyce explained provisions of the Standish contract that has been in effect for approximately 18-years, including the number of the deputies through the years, the challenges the deputies encounter, patrol duties/scheduling and other facets of the contract. Sheriff Joyce introduced the following personnel: Chief Deputy – Naldo Gagnon, Deputy John Cross, Deputy Howie Brown and Branden Barragan (not in attendance), Chris Magoon, Raphael Mendoza and Evan Rand.

Councilor Starostecki asked Sheriff Joyce to explain in more detail the Standish issues the deputies encounter?

Sheriff Joyce said that that many are quality of life issues such as parking, barking dogs and other non-criminal matter. Although, things have changed over the years and the deputies also deal with calls relating with mental illness and substance abuse matters.

Councilor Sirpis thanked the Sheriff and the department for their service. Councilor Sirpis went on to note that the contract was a great deal for the people of Standish.

Sheriff Joyce said that to him it was an honor to serve the community that he lives in. He noted that the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department was accredited to meet the national standards of law enforcement.

Councilor Starostecki asked what other training opportunities can the Town of Standish offer the patrol deputies?

Sheriff Joyce touched on resources for addiction where monies need to be funneled to services that will help the individuals. He said that a department goal is to have 100% of personnel to be CIT

trained which is Crisis Intervention Training. At this time, approximately 50% of both the corrections and patrol staff have gone through the CIT training, having all trained will ensure that the each first responder is able to deal with the issues. He said that law enforcement is much different than it was years ago.

Councilor Sirpis asked for the approximate cost to put a deputy on the street?

Sheriff Joyce estimated \$130,000 per year to include uniforms, gear, computer, weapons and other items.

Chair Nesbitt thanked Sheriff Joyce for his service, noting that it takes a lot of dedication to serve in this manner.

Mary Chapman - Town Clerk presented the Departmental Report regarding the November 6 election. The Town Clerk noted that the process to receive an absentee ballot, polling hours and a number of community events that would be available at the polls.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public Hearings at this meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Sirpis – Economic Development Committee – their meetings are on hold until a Town Manager is on board.

Councilor Pomerleau – Capital Improvements Committee – met last week, there are items relating to their meeting on the agenda this evening.

Councilor Pomerleau – Public Safety Committee – has held several meetings in preparation for the Public Safety Fair this coming Saturday. She noted that they received a very generous donation of ten helmets so that one can be given out with each bike.

Councilor Delcourt – Personnel Committee – plans to meet soon to review the Personnel Policy.

Councilor Delcourt – Ad Hoc Dog Park Committee - met recently, he highlighted their upcoming events: vendor at the Public Safety Fair on 10/13, Safe Dog Event at Standish Hardware on 10/20, Pawsta Dinner fundraiser on 11/2. He noted that this group is well organized.

Mary Chapman - Recycling Committee – the committee continues to educate the public on recycling matters. Recently, the Town has started up with the Garbage to Gardens Program. Containers are now available at the Transfer Station where residents can dispose of their food waste, this will help reduce the weight of what's taken to ecomaine, thus saving tax-dollars. In addition, some silver-bullet locations will be outfitted with surveillance cameras.

Councilor Nesbitt – Finance Committee – will meet this coming Monday.

Councilor Nesbitt – Appointments Committee – met this evening finishing up the interviews for the Area 1 Town Council Seat, an appointments order is on the agenda tonight. He updated them on the timeline for the Town Manager search, noting there were 25-applicants, of which five were selected

to be interviewed, one of those removed their application. Four candidates were interviewed, the Council selected two finalists: Bill Giroux, the current Interim Manager and Marian Anderson the current Town Manager of Wiscasset. Chair Nesbitt noted they are both well qualified and the public can meet them at a Meet and Greet Event being held on Monday, October 22 from 6 pm until 7 pm here at the Municipal Center. On the 23rd the two finalists will With the department heads, followed that evening by a final interview with the Town Council.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Clerk explained that there are two items on the Consent Calendar, noting that the items are read by title only and voted on collectively.

131-18 Town Council Appointment of Ballot/Election Clerks [Nesbitt]

132-18 Waive No-Parking Restriction on Saco Road for the Annual Craft Fair held by the Trustees of the Old Red Church [Nesbitt]

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

VOTE ON CONSENT CALENDAR: 6 Yeas

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

54-18 Amendments to Standish Town Code, Chapter 252, Streets and Sidewalks, Regarding Sidewalk Plans (Sent back to Ordinance Committee 6/5/18) [Libby]

Councilor Libby noted that this ordinance remains in committee.

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Libby and voted to take up orders 82-18 and 83-18 at the same time. (Unanimous)

After the reading of the titles of the orders Chair Nesbitt explained that according to the Public Works Director these roads are not ready for acceptance but should be ready at the November meeting.

Moved by Starostecki seconded by Sirpis to postpone orders 82-18 and 83-18 until the November meeting.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none called for the vote.

Moved by Starostecki seconded by Sirpis and voted to postpone orders 82-18 and 83-18 until the November meeting. (Unanimous)

82-18 Road Acceptance Request Submitted by Tompson Development, Inc. for a Portion of Lindsey Drive (Postponed until the October Town Council Meeting) [Nesbitt]

83-18 Road Acceptance Request Submitted by Shadow Woods, LLC for a Portion of Woodrow Drive (Postponed until the October Town Council Meeting) [Nesbitt]

115-18 Town Council Appointment to Area 1 Town Council Seat [Nesbitt]

Chair Nesbitt noted as mentioned earlier the Appointments Committee met and interview two additional candidates for this position this evening. He explained that they interviewed four great individuals, any of them would be an excellent Councilor. He said that it's tough to select just one name and he hoped that the others would consider applying for other boards or committees.

Moved by Nesbitt seconded by Libby to add the name of Gregory Leclerc to the order as Town Councilor for Area 1. (5 Yeas - 1 Nay, Sirpis)

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion.

William Hill – Wildridge Road – Questioned if the issues that Ms. Higgins cited for resigning had been resolved?

Chair Nesbitt responded that was not part on this order.

Mr. Hill asked if the candidate had been made aware of the circumstances regarding Ms. Higgins resignation?

Chair Nesbitt responded that subject didn't come up.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional public discussion, hearing none he called for Council discussion.

Councilor Sirpis said that he will not support this candidate because he felt that there was another candidate that would have served in the seat better.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

VOTE: 4 Yeas – 2 Nays, Delcourt and Sirpis

121-18 Amendments to Standish Town Code, Chapter 142, Fire Prevention, Article II, Water Supplies (First Reading) [Libby]

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Libby and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Fire Chief Caron explained that this adds a fourth option for fire protection for developers, this is not mandatory but provides for the installation of home sprinkler systems rather than installing a water main, fire ponds or cistern. This proposal would place the maintenance of fire prevention system on the homeowner not the town.

Councilor Libby noted that this would be great for smaller subdivisions.

Chief Caron noted that cisterns are maintained and refilled by the Town which can be expensive. Fire ponds which previously could be simply a dug pond now have to have a natural water source.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none, he called for Council discussion.

Councilor Starostecki said that this is a win-win for everyone, noting it will reduce the cost of construction and the cost of homeowner's insurance.

Chair Nesbitt said that he was still on the fence on this issue citing additional construction costs and concern that the inspection process may slip through the cracks.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion.

Councilor Sirpis said while he understands the Chair's concerns, it was his belief that sprinkler systems save lives. In addition, in the long run it will save the residents money and the Fire Department can utilize the system in the event of a fire at the home.

Chief Caron said that the system will increase the cost of the house, however, that homeowner would still have to contribute for the cost of a cistern or some other type of fire suppression in a subdivision.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

VOTE TO MOVE THIS ORDINANCE TO PUBLIC HEARING: 6 Yeas

123-18 Amendments to the Standish Town Code, Chapter 151, General Assistance Ordinance, Adopt Updated Ordinance and Tables for the Maximum Levels of Assistance as provided as Provided by the Maine Municipal Association (First Reading) [Nesbitt]

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Starostecki and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt explained that annually the Maine Municipal Association updates the tables for use in the General Assistance Program. He noted that an emergency ordinance was enacted to be in force while this goes through the Town's legislative process.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called, he for Council discussion, hearing none called for the vote.

VOTE TO MOVE THIS ORDINANCE TO PUBLIC HEARING: 6 Yeas

125-18 Amendments to the Standish Town Code, to add Chapter 130 Regarding Vehicle Excise Tax Exemption for Active Duty Military Personnel (First Reading) [Libby]

Moved by Libby seconded by Sirpis and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Councilor Libby explained that an emergency ordinance was passed allowing this to be in force immediately. This ordinance will allow Standish residents who are active military personnel stationed outside of Maine to be exempt from excise tax on their motor vehicles.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for public discussion.

The Clerk noted that two of her immediate family members are active military personnel.

Councilor Sirpis as that she thanks them for their service.

Chair Nesbitt called for the vote.

VOTE TO MOVE THIS ORDINANCE TO PUBLIC HEARING: 6 Yeas

NEW BUSINESS

133-18 Town Council Appointment to the Recreation Committee [Nesbitt]

Moved by Nesbitt seconded by Sirpis and voted to add the name of Judith Reed to the order.
(Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

ORDERED that the following Town Council Appointments is made through the date given:

Judith Reed Recreation Committee June 30, 2020

VOTE ON ORDER AS AMENDED: 6 Yeas

134-18 Town Council Chair Appointments to Ad-Hoc Dog Park Committee [Nesbitt]

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Libby and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt noted that he is appointing the following persons to the Ad-hoc Dog Park Committee:

1. Sandra Boutin
2. Jean Falkner
3. April Allen
4. Gael Ketch
5. Robin Worden
6. Sarah Millington
7. Joanne Majka
8. Mike Delcourt – Town Council Representative
9. Roland Cloutier - Planning Board Representative

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS Town Council order 112-18 established the Ad-hoc Dog Park Committee and provided that the committee membership would be appointed by the Town Council Chair, now be it

ORDERED that the following individuals are appointed by the Town Council Chair to serve on the Ad-hoc Dog Park Committee:

Sandra Boutin
Jean Falkner
April Allen
Gael Ketch

Robin Worden
Sarah Millington
Joanne Majka
Mike Delcourt – Town Council Representative
Roland Cloutier - Planning Board Representative

VOTE: 6 Yeas

135-18 Approval of the Remainder of the Renewal Period for Acres of Wildlife Campground's Liquor License [Nesbitt]

Chair Nesbitt said that the order speaks for itself, we've been working with Acres of Wildlife Campground on this matter for some time.

Elaine Burnham a co-owner of the campground explained that they have work with the Town diligently to correct the issues.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion.

Councilor Sirpis complemented Ms. Burnham for the progress that they've made at the campground. He said that he's impressed with the work that's been done, but they must be diligent to get everything completed for the April renewal of their liquor license.

Chair Nesbitt noted that they have memos from both the Code Enforcement Officer and Town Planner explaining where the applicant is in the process.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS Town Council order 77-18 was approved on July 10, 2018 extending the liquor license held by Acres of Wildlife Campground for a 90-day period to allow the applicant time to correct deficiencies at their facility, and

WHEREAS the owners of the campground have corrected many deficiencies and are before the Planning Board for additional site plan review and site plan amendments, now be it

ORDERED that the liquor license is approved through the expiration of there currently held license on April 20, 2019.

VOTE: 6 Yeas

136-18 Authorize Purchase of New Vision Assessing Server [Pomerleau]

Finance Director, Scott Gesauldi explained that this was in last year's budget capital budget. This upgrade has been approved through the budget process and this is the first-step in the project.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none, he called for additional Council discussion.

Councilor Sirpis said that when you consider the amount of public information in our system, this is not an expense it's an investment.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS the town is utilizing government reduced pricing to purchase a new tax and finance server to replace the current Munis server, now be it

ORDERED that the amount from Dell computers and Microsoft in the amount not to exceed \$13,621 is hereby accepted, and

ORDERED that the amount be procured from the FY19 Bond Proceeds of the Capital Projects Fund as voted and approved by the tax payers, and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Finance Director is authorized, on behalf of the Town, to execute related contract documents for the server and Vision software.

VOTE: 6 Yeas

137-18 Authorize Finance Director to Issue Municipal Quit Claim Deeds to James Manuel (Map 75 Lot 89) [Nesbitt]

Moved by Starostecki seconded by Sirpis and voted to dispense with the reading of the order.
(Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt noted that the owner of Map 75 Lot 89 has paid the back taxes bringing it out of foreclosure.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of the deed is to release to the Grantee(s) herein any interest which the Town of Standish may have acquired in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes, as evidenced by tax lien certificates recorded in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds, now be it

ORDERED that the Finance Director is authorized to issue a municipal quit claim deeds to James Manuel of Standish, Maine:

MUNICIPAL QUITCLAIM DEED without COVENANTS

The inhabitants of the Town of Standish, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of Maine and located in the County of Cumberland, State of Maine, for consideration paid, release to **MANUEL, JAMES of STANDISH, ME** a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, if any, located in the Town of Standish, County of Cumberland, State of Maine, identified as follows:

Map 075, Lot 89, Sub 000-000, of the Assessor's Tax Maps of the Town of Standish, Maine, made by James H. Thomas, gisSolutions of Maine, of Cumberland, Maine dated April 1, 2002, and updated to April 1, 2017, which are on file at the Assessor's Office at the Town of Standish.

The sole purpose of this deed is to release to the Grantee(s) herein any interest which the Town of Standish may have acquired in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes, as evidenced by tax lien certificates recorded in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds as follows:

Lien dated September 20, 2011 recorded in Book 28970, Page 339

Lien dated September 7, 2012 recorded in Book 29906, Page 73

Lien dated October 2, 2013 recorded in Book 31063, Page 242

Lien dated October 10, 2014 recorded in Book 31838, Page 306

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Town of Standish has caused this deed to be signed by its Treasurer as authorized.

DATED: October 9, 2018

VOTE: 6 Yeas

138-18 Authorize Finance Director to Issue Municipal Quit Claim Deed to Philip and Patricia Bowden (Map 75 Lot 89) [Nesbitt]

Moved by Starostecki seconded by Sirpis and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt said that this order is for Patricia Bowden but is the same map/lot for the previous order explaining that this is part of the amount that was due on Map 75 Lot 89 to complete the process.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of the deed is to release to the Grantee(s) herein any interest which the Town of Standish may have acquired in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes, as evidenced by tax lien certificates recorded in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds, now be it

ORDERED that the Finance Director is authorized to issue a municipal quit claim deed to Philip and Patricia Bowden of Standish, Maine:

MUNICIPAL QUITCLAIM DEED without COVENANTS

The inhabitants of the Town of Standish, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of Maine and located in the County of Cumberland, State of Maine, for consideration paid, release to **BOWDEN, PHILIP; BOWDEN, PATRICIA A. of STANDISH, ME** a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, if any, located in the Town of Standish, County of Cumberland, State of Maine, identified as follows:

Map 075, Lot 089, Sub 000-000, of the Assessor's Tax Maps of the Town of Standish, Maine, made by James H. Thomas, gisSolutions of Maine, of Cumberland, Maine dated April 1, 2002, and updated to April 1, 2017, which are on file at the Assessor's Office at the Town of Standish.

The sole purpose of this deed is to release to the Grantee(s) herein any interest which the Town of Standish may have acquired in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes, as evidenced by tax lien certificates recorded in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds as follows:

Lien dated September 30, 2010 recorded in Book 28126, Page 210

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Town of Standish has caused this deed to be signed by its Treasurer as authorized.

DATED: October 9, 2018

VOTE: 6 Yeas

139-18 Authorize Finance Director to Issue Municipal Quit Claim Deeds to Anthony Cushman (Map 75 Lot 76) [Nesbitt]

Moved by Libby seconded by Sirpis and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt noted that the resident has paid all the back taxes and we can now issue a quit claim deed to the owner.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS, the sole purpose of the deed is to release to the Grantee(s) herein any interest which the Town of Standish may have acquired in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes, as evidenced by tax lien certificates recorded in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds, now be it

ORDERED that the Finance Director is authorized to issue a municipal quit claim deeds to Anthony Cushman of Standish, Maine:

MUNICIPAL QUITCLAIM DEED without COVENANTS

The inhabitants of the Town of Standish, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of Maine and located in the County of Cumberland, State of Maine, for consideration paid, release to **CUSHMAN, ANTHONY of STANDISH, ME** a certain parcel of land with buildings thereon, if any, located in the Town of Standish, County of Cumberland, State of Maine, identified as follows:

Map 075, Lot 076, Sub 000-000, of the Assessor's Tax Maps of the Town of Standish, Maine, made by James H. Thomas, gisSolutions of Maine, of Cumberland, Maine dated April 1, 2002, and updated to April 1, 2017, which are on file at the Assessor's Office at the Town of Standish.

The sole purpose of this deed is to release to the Grantee(s) herein any interest which the Town of Standish may have acquired in the foregoing property by virtue of unpaid taxes, as evidenced by tax lien certificates recorded in the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds as follows:

Lien dated October 7, 2015 recorded in Book 32647, Page 162

Lien dated September 28, 2016 recorded in Book 33478, Page 115

Lien dated September 20, 2017 recorded in Book 34324, Page 178

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Town of Standish has caused this deed to be signed by its Treasurer as authorized.

DATED: October 9, 2018

VOTE: 6 Yeas

140-18 Award Bid and Authorize Contract for Purchase of Winter Sand [Pomerleau]

Moved by Pomerleau seconded by Libby and voted to amend the order as follows:

ORDERED that the bid from Gorham Sand and Gravel in the amount not to exceed \$7.42 per cubic yard as recommended by the Capital Improvements Committee for the procurement of winter sand is hereby accepted, and (Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt questioned the sieve analysis on the sand.

Roger Mosley noted that this is the same vendor as last year, the product gave great results.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none, called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS a bid process has been conducted for the purchase of winter sand in accordance with section 302 (f) of the Standish Charter, now be it

ORDERED that the bid from Gorham Sand and Gravel in the amount not to exceed \$7.42 per cubic yard as recommended by the Capital Improvements Committee for the procurement of winter sand is hereby accepted, and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager is authorized, on behalf of the Town, to execute related contract documents.

VOTE: 6 YEAS

141-18 Award Bid and Authorize Contract for Purchase of a 2019 Ford Transit 350XLT 15-Passenger Van for Parks and Recreation Department [Pomerleau]

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Starostecki and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Councilor Pomerleau noted that we are purchasing this from Casco Bay Ford for \$33,538. This was a budgeted purchase and we did receive grant funding of up to \$18,000.

Chair Nesbitt noted that there are no tax dollars being spent on this, it is user fee and grant funding that is paying for the van.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none, called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS a bid process has been conducted for the purchase a 2019 Ford Transit 350XLT 15-passenger van in accordance with section 302 (f) of the Standish Charter, now be it

ORDERED that the bid from Casco Bay Ford in the amount not to exceed \$33,538 as recommended by the Capital Improvements Committee for the procurement of this vehicle is hereby accepted, and has been awarded matching funds from the Community Development Block Grant not to exceed \$18,000, and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager is authorized, on behalf of the Town, to execute related contract documents.

VOTE: 6 Yeas

142-18 Waive Bid Process and Authorize Needs Assessment for Standish Parks and Recreation Department to be Conducted by the University of New Hampshire [Pomerleau]

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Libby and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Councilor Pomerleau explained that this will allow the University of New Hampshire to conduct a needs assessment for the Recreation Department to determine what the community's future need are.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion.

Maurie Hill – Wildridge Road – asked for an explanation of the purpose of the need's assessment process.

Councilor Pomerleau explained that the University of New Hampshire it will provide an analysis of programs and staff.

Bill Giroux, Interim Manager, explained that part of the need's assessment will be to determine what services the community wants/needs by conducting online surveys and stakeholder groups to get feedback. He said that UNH has provided assessments for other communities and the \$7,500 is a good value. He said that it's an evaluation of the Recreation Department and what the community wants from the Recreation Department.

Maurie Hill asked what prompted the need for an assessment?

Bill Giroux said that Standish is a growing town and it's good to hear what the public thinks.

Maurie Hill asked why the UNH and are there other universities that provide this type of assessment?

Bill Giroux said that there are no other universities providing this type of program to his knowledge.

Maurie Hill said as a resident haven't you already assessed the Recreation Department.

Bill Giroux said that there will be a number of surveys, stakeholder groups and other meetings to determine what the town's residents want in the future.

Maurie Hill said that she hoped that this wasn't a subversive attempt to reduce the Recreation Departments funding.

Bill Giroux explained that this assessment is supported by the Recreation Committee and Director.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional public discussion, hearing none, called for Council discussion.

Councilor Delcourt said that the Recreation Director should conduct the survey and not spend the money.

Councilor Starostecki was grateful that Jen DeRice brought this matter forward.

Chair Nesbitt called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

WHEREAS Section 302(f) of the Standish Charter requires a competitive bid process for transactions exceeding \$3,500 in value, unless so waived by the Town Council, and

WHEREAS the University of New Hampshire can provide a town-wide needs assessment survey to determine the park and recreational needs of the town, and

WHEREAS University of New Hampshire will provide a final report based on feedback from town residents to guide the Parks and Recreation Department in its future goals, and

WHEREAS the Capital Improvements Committee has met, reviewed and supports this project, now be it

ORDERED that the bidding requirement regarding this recreation needs assessment is hereby waived, and the contract is awarded to University of New Hampshire at a cost not to exceed \$7,500, and

FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager is authorized to execute contract documents related to this purchase.

VOTE: 5 Yeas – 1 Nay, Delcourt

143-18 Utility Location Permit – Central Maine Power Company – Corner of Westerlea Way and Whites Bridge Road [Nesbitt]

Chair Nesbitt asked if Mr. Mosley had inspected this location?

Mr. Mosley said that this is relating to the college, and the application is in order.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none, called for additional Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

ORDERED that the application by Central Maine Power to install and maintain poles at the corner of Westerlea Way and Whites Bridge Road in accordance with project number 801000208241, is approved by the Town Council.

VOTE: 6 Yeas

144-18 Town of Standish Town Council Orders Authorizing Supplemental Tax Anticipation Borrowing [Nesbitt]

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Libby and voted to dispense with the reading of the order. (Unanimous)

Chair Nesbitt mentioned that last month we approved Tax Anticipation Note. We do short term borrowing to meet our financial needs before taxes start coming in. He noted that a formula is used to determine what can be borrowed.

Scott Gesauldi noted that he looks at past borrowing and trends to assess the borrowing needs. He says that he tries to only borrow what we need and only uses what is needed. He said that the process is not an exact science and explained more should have been borrowed earlier. He said that we have many high payments due now in fact more than what has been paid in the past.

Chair Nesbitt called for public discussion, hearing none, called for Council discussion, hearing none, he called for the vote.

Ordered that, pursuant to Section 5771 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, the Treasurer of the Town is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow money from time to time during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 in the principal amount or amounts not exceeding \$2,841,000 at any one time outstanding, in anticipation of the collections or receipts from taxes, by the issuance of tax anticipation notes of the Town, each of which notes shall be designated "Town of Standish 2019 Tax Anticipation Notes." All of such tax anticipation notes, and any extensions, renewals or replacements thereof, shall be signed by the Town Treasurer and countersigned by the Chair or the Vice Chair of the Town Council, shall be payable on such date as determined by the Town Treasurer, out of money raised by taxation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, shall bear interest payable at maturity at a rate determined in the manner as approved by the Treasurer, and shall contain such other terms and provisions, not inconsistent herewith, and be in such form, as shall be approved by the officers signing the same, whose approval shall be conclusively evidenced by their execution thereof, and

Be It Further Ordered that the Treasurer of the Town is hereby authorized to award the notes to such person or entity as he deems appropriate, and

Be It Further Ordered that the notes authorized by the foregoing are hereby designated as qualified tax exempt obligations for purposes of Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and

Be It Further Ordered that the Treasurer of the Town be authorized to covenant with the purchasers of the notes on behalf of the Town and for the benefit of the holders of the notes, that the Town will take whatever steps, and refrain from taking any action, as may be necessary or appropriate to ensure that interest on the notes will remain free from federal income taxes, including without limitation, the filing of information returns and reports with the Internal Revenue Service and the payment of any rebate due to the United States of America.

VOTE: 6 Yeas

PUBLIC ITEMS

Maurie Hill said that asked what steps can they take to get more people involved in the town. She suggested that a sign be placed on Route 25 to help get information out.

Chair Nesbitt thanked her for that idea, mentioning that last year Councilor Sirpis looked into upgrading the sign here at the Municipal Center.

Maurie Hill said that she's heard people speak about properties that are in disrepair and bring down the value of adjacent properties. She asked what could be done about this matter?

Councilor Sirpis announced that on October 18 he'll be attending a Community Block Grant meeting. He reminded the group that last year Standish received two grants totaling \$53,000. He hoped the Town of Standish would quality again this year for grant funding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several upcoming meetings were announced.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was not needed at this meeting.

ADJOURN

Moved by Sirpis seconded by Libby and voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 by unanimous consent.

Submitted by: _____
Clerk/secretary