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Town Council Meeting Minutes 2/10/2015

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
STANDISH, MAINE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015
STANDISH MUNICIPAL CENTER
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilors present: Blanck, Nesbitt, Newbegin, Olson, Pomerleau, Sargent and Spencer.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (S)

Councilor Olson noted that the following corrections need to be made:

December 16 minutes:

Page 4 - gifting ~~then them~~ land

Page 12 – Louis Stack has been representing ~~represented~~ Standish for a number of years

January 13 minutes:

Page 3 – Daniel Kasprzyk said that the clock is now ticking and the people that are ~~her~~ here ...

These corrections were incorporated in the minutes and the Council approved the minutes as amended by unanimous consent.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were no petitions or communications at this meeting.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Gordon Billington spoke on the following items:

*Many have asked when the Family Dollar Store will be opening. He noted that he did not have an opening date, however, the Planning Board imposed the condition that they would install a properly monitored fire safety alarm system. The Council reinforced that requirement, however, granted a waiver to for Family Dollar not to sprinkle the building, but they need to install a monitored system. He explained that the Fire Department recently approved the designed system, which needs to be installed. Family Dollar had been given approval to bring in shelving, however, they cannot open until they receive an occupancy permit which would be issued after the inspection of the monitored fire system to insure that it meets the requirements.

*He said that on a sad note he read that the Radio Shack in Colonial Marketplace is slated to close due to their pending bankruptcy.

*He said at the last Council meeting there was a lengthy discussion on an ordinance to consider a firing range in Standish. He said that ultimately the Council rejected the proposed ordinance. He said that since that time he met with Greg Sirpis, Dick Bernier and Jeff Dolloff who would like to create a fish and game club in town and pursue a firing range for their members here in town. Interested persons should contact Greg Sirpis. He said that they are looking into grant opportunities from Inland Fisheries & Wildlife to develop a gun range in the game preserve area where you can discharge a firearm, however, hunting isn't allowed. He noted that the Town owns land that perhaps could be leased to the group for this purpose, which would take further Council action.

*The Standish Summer Spectacular committee has started meeting and have selected the theme It Takes a Village.

*The Summer Recreation Program is currently accepting employment applications.

*The Code Enforcement Office announced that they have issued three house permits this month.

*He explained that the governor's budget is proposing several radical changes to ultimately eliminate the income tax. He said that the proposal would freeze revenue sharing which is the town's share of income and sales tax. He said that other changes include doing away with the homestead exemption for anyone under 65 years old, those under 65 would no longer get the exemption, and that valuation would go back on the tax rolls. He said that the governor's homestead changes would increase the exemption to \$20,000 for anyone over 65 years old. He explained that would be a reduction of approximately \$243 in real estate taxes based on the current mil rate for residents 65 year old and older. He said that the governor is considering allowing municipalities to tax telecommunication equipment. He went on to say that a more significant change would be the ability to tax non-profits that have assets in excess of \$500,000. He explained that certain non-profits such as churches would still be exempt. This could affect St. Joseph's College since they are listed as a scientific and literary organization. He said that our tax assessor reports that this change could potentially bring additional taxes funds to the town. He said that in the past there have been attempts to tax non-profit organizations; that legislation did pass. He noted that we are developing our budget at this time and he will take the governor's recommendations into consideration. He said that the manager's budget will be available on February 24.

Departmental Report – Public Works Director, Roger Mosley explained that we've had two tough winters in a row. He said that the Town takes care of about 120 miles of roads, utilizing in-house and contract trucks. During a storm event there are typically 16 to 17 trucks working. Through many of the storms the drivers work up to 30 hours straight-through. He commended the crew for their efforts. He said that they've received many calls regarding visibility and they're working on that matter as they can. He explained that immediately after a storm they work on equipment and then start the working on pushing back the snow banks. He said that Route 25, Route 113, part of Route 114 and Route 11 are taken care of (plowing and sanding) by the state. He noted the town's policy on mail boxes: they are private property placed in the right-of-way at the owner's risk. He reminded residents that it is against the law to put snow from their property in the right-of-way.

Public Safety Committee – Frank Holcomb, committee chair explained that the committee received a letter from former member Kathy Walker asking the committee to revisit traffic issues in Steep Falls. He said a number of years ago the committee looked into low cost solutions to their problems. A traffic study was done and enforcement was increased. Traffic calming strategies were suggested as part of the study; which could include giving areas a village appearance in the attempt to slow traffic, adding physical barriers to reduce speed, or visual enhancements to catch people's attention. He said now, today, with the improvements to the bridge and potential construction of a sidewalk on Route 11. He said that the committee supports the sidewalk project. He noted that he has been in contact with MaineDot regarding this matter and has forwarded the committee materials to review. He asked that the Council adopt traffic calming efforts.

Councilor Pomerleau noted that there are openings on this Committee, interested persons can contact the Clerk.

Frank Holcomb noted that in the past the Town used banners as a traffic calming attempt.

Chair Sargent thanked Roger and the crew for the super job that they do on our roads.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6-15 Application submitted by Daniel Roberts/DDZC dba Maine Street Grill located at 1 Ossipee Trail East for renewal of a Malt, Spirituous and Vinous Restaurant License [Sargent]

Chair Sargent noted this is the annual renewal of this application.

Councilor Newbegin asked if there had been any calls to this establishment.

Town Manager, Gordon Billington said that he had not received any complaints regarding this establishment. After a public hearing without additional public or council discussion the Council voted on the above noted application.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

7-15 Application submitted by Daniel Roberts/DDZC LLC dba Maine Street Grill located at 1 Ossipee Trail East for renewal of Special Amusement Permit [Sargent]

The Clerk noted that all the inspectors had signed her copy of the application.

Councilor Olson said that she was not aware that they had live entertainment; they should advertise the entertainment.

After a public hearing without additional public or council discussion the Council voted on the above noted application.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

8-15 Application submitted by Daniel Roberts/DDZC LLC dba Maine Street Grill located at 1 Ossipee Trail East for renewal of a Pool Room License [Sargent]

The Clerk noted that all the inspectors had signed her copy of the application.

After a public hearing without additional public or council discussion the Council voted on the above noted application.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Pomerleau announced that the Capital Improvements Committee met and discussed the 10-Year Plan which will be further discussed on the agenda tonight.

Councilor Blanck explained that the Ordinance Committee met to continue their work on the Steep Falls Master Plan. In addition, they are reviewing a medical marijuana ordinance to regulate dispensaries and cultivation. He noted that there are no applications regarding this pending, the committee is being proactive. He said that it is expected that the ordinance will be moved on the full Council at the March meeting.

Councilor Olson said that the Personnel Committee has met with the employees and department heads. The budgetary recommendations will be forwarded to the Council at the Executive Session.

Councilor Olson said that the Economic Advisory Group that meets monthly, will next meet in March.

Councilor Newbegin said that the engineers and the Town Planner met with DEP to review the snowmobile trail; and discussions to clarify the right-of-way related to the beach plan. In regards to the right-of-way, there are four properties in question, three have given the go ahead, one property is going through probate. He said hopefully there will be a town beach in 2016.

Chair Sargent said that the Appointments Committee met earlier tonight and will be bringing names forward for appointments order later on the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no consent calendar items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)

Moved by Sargent seconded by Pomerleau and voted to move into Executive Sessions for the purpose of discussion of personnel matters pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6) (A), the Council will be joined by Gordon Billington and Rob Caron. (Unanimous)

Moved seconded and voted to arise from the Executive Session. The Council arose from the Executive session at 8:15 p.m. by unanimous consent and continued the regular meeting.

Moved by Blanck seconded by Olson and voted to take order 11-15 out of order. (Unanimous)

11-15 Confirmation of Town Manager's Appointment of Director of Public Safety and Approve Director's Contract [Sargent]

Councilor Spencer a member fire chief search committee explained that the committee of eight met a number of times under the leadership of the Mike Robiataille the Fire Chief of Yarmouth. She said that the Committee interviewed two candidates by phone and eight in person. She said that it was unanimous that Mr. Caron filled the bill for what they were looking for in a candidate. She said the selecting Mr. Caron gave them the opportunity to promote from within; and to select someone that knows the people and town. He said that Mr. Caron has been given the task to obtain his degree, attend a national fire safety school and finish his EMS training. She said that he is very well qualified and it seems that the Department is very pleased with the selection.

Lisa Seal of Steep Falls asked that Councilor Spencer elaborate on the qualifications of the candidate.

Councilor Spencer said that they were requiring that he gets his associates degree, obtain paramedic qualifications, and lead his crew.

Lisa Seal asked what they saw for leadership qualifications in the candidate.

Councilor Spencer said that he showed that in his interview, the 24-years of service in the fire department, and his commitment to the town.

Lisa Seal questioned where he had acquired 24-years of service.

Councilor Spencer said as Deputy Chief in Standish.

Lisa Seal said that she didn't know that he was a Deputy Chief.

Daniel Kasprzyk of Steep Falls thanked Mr. Caron for applying and then wished him luck. Mr. Kasprzyk thanked Councilor Pomerleau if Mr. Caron was his son.

Councilor Pomerleau said that Mr. Caron was his stepson.

Mr. Kasprzyk asked if Councilor Pomerleau he participated in the Executive Session regarding his son.

Councilor Pomerleau said that he went into the session and then left the session. He went on to say that he would not be voting on this order.

Mr. Kasprzyk said that he had a few concerns after reviewing the contract, past agreements and the personnel policy. He said that the agreement is for three years. He said that the previous chief's agreement was only for one year. He went on to say that the town Charter talks about appointing various department heads for one year, he questioned why this was for three years. He said that this is a very important role and he hopes that they make the right decision.

Councilor Olson said that it was not uncommon to make a contract for a period of time to give the candidate the opportunity to fulfill the requirements.

Brent Libby of Libby Pines said as former Fire Chief he had worked with Rob Caron during his 10-years with Standish and had no hesitation in his ability. Brent Libby said that Mr. Caron currently has an EMT license, but has been asked to obtain something higher. He went on to say that he agreed with one of Mr. Kasprzyk's comments which was that he held a one year contract. He said that a three-year contract is needed for Mr. Caron to attain the requirements of the contract. He said in a one year contract would make it very difficult for the department head to meet the requirements of the contract. He said that a three year contract was reasonable both to the individual and to the town.

Councilor Newbegin asked if there were funds in the budget to cover the educational costs.

Gordon Billington said that his college degree is at his expense. He said that the town will pay for the fire academy, which is budgeted.

VOTE: 6 Yeas – 0 Nays – 1 Abstain, Pomerleau

The Clerk called Mr. Caron to the podium, where he was duly sworn to office. His wife, Nicole Caron, pinned chief's badge on his uniform.

Chair Sargent said that in this day for a person to work for one company or organization for 24 years is great. He said that Rob has shown that he is dedicated to the town.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**3-15 Town Council Appointments to Various Boards and Committees (Tabled at the 1/13/15 meeting)
[Sargent]**

Chair Sargent explained that the Appointments Committee met earlier and have names to add to the order.

Moved by Sargent seconded by Pomerleau and voted to add the following names the order:

Gregory Sirpis Appeals Board June 2017

Joanne Majka Recreation Committee June 2017

Mallory Brooks Recreation Committee June 2016 (Unanimous)

VOTE ON ORDER AS AMENDED: 7 Yeas

NEW BUSINESS

9-15 Authorize Standish Memorial Post 128 of the American Legion to Hold a Charity Toll on Moody Road [Newbegin]

Councilors Newbegin explained that he is a member of the American Legion Post and they appreciate this fund raising opportunity.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

10-15 Extend Town Manager's Contract [Sargent]

Daniel Kasprzyk of Steep Falls said that he has concerns regarding the renewal of this contract. He said that since

2001 the managers contract has not been renewed a year and a half early, in the past the earliest it's been approved is five months early. In addition, in the past approval were done at the beginning of a fiscal year, not mid-stream.

Mr. Kasprzyk said that Mr. Billington had stated at a recent Watch Dog Group meeting that he was considering retiring. Mr. Kasprzyk said that the terms of the contract don't start at the beginning of a fiscal year, the new termination clause pays a year's salary, and he noted the perceived termination clause which provides for a year's salary. He said if Mr. Billington was disabled due to an illness they would have to wait six weeks in addition to the personal time then he would be paid a 6 month's severance. He suggested that the contract include a health check for the manager. He then asked the manager's age.

Councilor Olson stated that was an illegal question to ask.

Daniel Kasprzyk said that the wording in Section 3 was not in previous contracts; and he said that he didn't see the wage protection provisions of the Charter or personnel policy in this contract. He said that he wondered where the benefit to the Town of Standish was in this contract.

Councilor Blanck said that in the Executive Session they agreed to two changes to the contract.

Moved by Spencer seconded by Olson and voted to amend Section 3 B as follows:

... Subject to the EMPLOYEE providing a ~~sixty (60)~~ ninety (90) day written notice (Unanimous)

Moved by Blanck seconded by Olson and voted to amend Section 4 C as follows:

..... a suggestion either formal ~~or informal~~ by ~~the majority~~ a supermajority of the Council (Unanimous)

Lisa Seal of Steep Falls wanted their take on the people's concerns. She wanted to know how the Town would paid the salary in the contract, if necessary.

Councilor Pomerleau noted that Mr. Billington could be removed by cause without any payment to him.

Lisa Seal said that the amendments they made to the contract are minimal and she wanted to know why this contract is being put forth a year and half early. She said that she wanted to hear some clear, mature and intelligent reasons why

Councilor Olson called for a point of order. She said that the speaker's comments were offensive.

Lisa Seal said that she was sorry – she didn't mean for them to take offense to what she had said.

Councilor Olson said that her comments indicated that they don't Mary Chapman make intelligent decisions.

Lisa Seal said that she just wanted to hear some clear answers to their questions. She said why are is there such a rush, she said that it could be postponed to another time, since they would like some more information.

William Orr said that he didn't think that they have the right to extend this contract due the budgetary elements of the contract.

Phil Buker of Sebago Lake said that he was disappointed with the Council making this change.

Martha Hurd-Call of Standish said that a 12-month severance – golden parachute package was extravagant. She said that a 6-month severance package was extravagant, she noted that the manager in Portland gets a 3-month severance package. She said that we the taxpayers don't like it.

Mike Napolitano of Saco road said that he would like to know why the Council is bringing this up now. He said that they should table it.

Leo Robichaud of Brown Court said he hadn't heard anyone answer the people yet. He said that it was his opinion that they should let the new Council vote on the Manager's contract. He said that it appears that there are some sore losers on the Council due to term limits being voted in. He said that there may be a concern that the new Council won't vote for the contract.

Earl Smith of River Road questioned Gordy why he hadn't answered the question regarding his contract.

Chair Sargent said that he would speak to that. He said that a number of towns have this buyout clause because in the long run it would be cheaper than legal fees involved in a dismissal.

Mike Napolitano approached the podium.

Chair Sargent explained that they would need unanimous consent of the Council to allow a speaker to address the Council a second time on the same topic.

Moved by Newbegin seconded by Nesbitt to allow the speaker additional time. (4 Yeas - Sargent, Spencer, Nesbitt, and Newbegin - 3 Nays - Blanck, Olson and Pomerleau) Motion failed needed unanimous consent.

Kimberly Nelson of Chadbourne Road said that she was not a political person, she said that she was surprised with the hostility between the town's people and the Town Council. She hoped that the elected officials could speak to the town's people respectfully especially when they had concerns. She said that the people want to know why are we doing this so early, she said that you may have excellent reasons, but they don't know what those are.

Steven Nash of Oak Hill Road questioned the Manager, if he was afraid of losing, if the new Council members voted.

Gordon Billington encouraged anyone to run for the Council.

Steve Nash said if you're not afraid, why don't you table this.

Gordon Billington said that he does a good job for the town, this was his request, and he can review his contract at any time.

Butch Seal of Steep Falls said he didn't see why this couldn't be tabled, be taken up at another time when the questions will be answered.

Peter Arnemann, the town's Tax Assessor, he said that he's worked for a number of other towns and Gordon Billington stands head and shoulders above most of the other managers that he's worked with. He said that the building that we're in which was built for less than a bus garage in Gorham, the way Mr. Billington handles personnel, and that we have a low tax rate have all been under his stewardship.

Izzy Higgins of 215 Bonny Eagle Road said that we are all getting by with less lights are turned off, the town office is open four days a week, we're all making due with less. She said that this seems like a golden parachute. She said if there are a lot of good reasons, lay them out, for the people to see why this is happening now. She said that we're all horrified what CEO's of big companies are making. She said that if this is as well deserved as it's being made out to be, than give us justification.

Dave Call of Chelsea Drive said that he hasn't heard one person say anything bad about Gordon Billington. We're not questioning his ability, we're just questioning the contract. He said that there is no hostility from this side of the aisle, but he's seeing it from the other side. He said that they are voted by the people to serve the people, he said that we put you where you are and can take you out of where you are.

Claudia Morton of Bonny Eagle Road she said that she has heard hostility from the audience tonight - not from the Council. She said that she thinks that the Town Council does a great job. She said that she didn't understand why they were attacking the Town Council. She said that she thought that Gordy has done a great job.

Walter Wasson of Manchester Road asked if Mr. Billington has had his review this year.

Chair Sargent said that due to weather and illness it has not been done as of yet. It will be done next month.

Walter Wasson said if the review hasn't been done, why would the contract be renewing.

Councilor Pomerleau said that the Manager indicated that he would be retiring in three years and this contract would bring him through that time. Councilor Pomerleau said that it was his opinion that this could be provided to a long term employee. He said that if the Manager leaves employment due to cause there is no payment. He said when

the contract is compared to neighboring towns it's comparable.

Councilor Blanck said to clarify this, his salary is not changing, and it's subject to review based on the budget.

Councilor Olson said that we have a 14-year employee, who has moved the town ahead significantly, this employee has asked for a change to his contract. She said that contracts can be amended at any time by mutual agreement of the parties. She said that there is absolutely no reason why a 14-year employee can't have due consideration of a request. He said that they did a poll of eight other towns and many had similar contracts.

Councilor Newbegin said that he agrees with a lot of people in the audience, he didn't see the need to renew a contract when there is a year and a half left on the contract. He said that Gordy has been a good Town Manager. He said that he cannot support this contract as it stands right now. He said that he'd like it tabled for further discussion in April.

Moved by Newbegin seconded by Sargent and voted to table this item until April for further discussion. (1 Yea, Newbegin – 6 Nays - Blanck, Nesbitt, Olson, Pomerleau, Sargent, and Spencer)

Councilor Nesbitt said that he took into consideration that Mr. Billington was getting ready to retire and this was a vote of confidence for the work that he does.

Councilor Spencer agreed with Councilor Nesbitt's comments.

The Clerk pointed out that the order needed to be amended to reflect the date of the attached contract.

Moved by Olson seconded by Blanck and Voted to amend to amend the order as follows: ~~January 13~~ February 10, 2018. (6 Yeas – Blanck, Nesbitt, Olson, Pomerleau, Sargent, and Spencer - 1 Nay, Newbegin)

VOTE ON ORDER AS AMENDED: 6 Yeas – Blanck, Nesbitt, Olson, Pomerleau, Sargent, and Spencer - 1 Nay, Newbegin

Moved by Pomerleau seconded by Spencer and voted to take a short break. (Unanimous)

The Council arose from the break at 9:22 p.m. by unanimous consent and continued with the regular meeting.

12-15 Amendment to Town Council Rules of Procedure [Sargent]

The Manager explained that per the requirement of the Rules of Procedure this amendment would immediately lay on the table and become the first item of unfinished business at the next meeting.

13-15 Annual Recommend to Adopt 10-Capital Plan [Pomerleau]

Councilor Pomerleau explained that each year the plan is reviewed for 9 years out. This year's Plan includes moving out improvements to the Steep Falls Fire Station one year, he explained that nothing is locked in - it's a guide for us. He said that in this year's plan there are roads, an ambulance, we're looking at replacing a 2003 pickup with a used truck. He went on to say that there is \$36,000 for engineering for Memorial Field, \$365,000 for the municipal beach, improvements to Harmon's Beach Road are in this Plan, and a lifting system for mechanical work on the towns public works trucks.

Councilor Olson questioned why FY 2016's road funding was so low.

Councilor Pomerleau noted if we are going forward with the beach we should make some improvements to the Harmon's Beach Road. He said that the \$664,000 may just be a holding number that needs to be bumped up.

Councilor Newbegin asked where was the \$1.7 million going.

Councilor Pomerleau said that was a place mark amount for the ball field. He went on to explain that in tonight's CIP meeting they discussed that the some of the ground work may be done by the Public Works Department in an effort to save money. The town would have to lease equipment to do this work.

Councilor Spencer asked Council Newbegin if they needed monies in FY 16 for the beach.

Councilor Newbegin said that Gordy should answer that question.

Gordy Billington explained that both John Rich and his wife passed away last year. The Rich's owned property on which we are trying to get an easement over. He said that is tied up in probate right now.

Councilor Pomerleau encouraged the public to get a copy of the Plan to review it.

Lisa Seal asked if the state helped with this program.

Roger Mosley said that we get approximately \$160,000 from the state for local road assistance each year.

Gordon Billington said that the Plan needs to be amended based on the CIP meeting discussion. He summarized the amendments as follows:

Unit 7 (Chev p/u) in FY 16 ~~\$15,000~~ \$20,000
Steep Falls Fire Station Renovation in FY 16 ~~\$200,000~~ \$16,000
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New Facility Dev FY 16 ~~\$84,000~~ \$36,000
New Facility Dev FY 17 ~~\$1,200,000~~ \$38,000
New Facility Dev FY 18 ~~\$1,700,000~~ TBD
Garage Mobile Column Lifts FY 16 ~~\$42,200~~ \$45,360

Moved by Olson Seconded by Nesbitt and Voted to amend the FY 2016 Plan as follows:

Unit 7 (Chev p/u) in FY 16 ~~\$15,000~~ \$20,000
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New Facility Dev FY 17 ~~\$1,200,000~~ \$38,000
New Facility Dev FY 18 ~~\$1,700,000~~ TBD
Garage Mobile Column Lifts FY 16 ~~\$42,200~~ \$45,360 (Unanimous)

VOTE ON ORDER AS AMENDED: 7 Yeas

14-15 Town of Standish Town Council Orders Authorizing Tax Anticipation Borrowing [Spencer]

Moved by Olson seconded by Newbegin and voted to dispense with the Clerk's reading of the order. (Unanimous)
Councilor Spencer explained that frequently we need to obtain a Tax Anticipation Note to get us through until the taxes start to come in.

Finance Director, Scott Gesualdi said that we would obtain it later this month and pay it off in May.

Councilor Newbegin asked how long do we usually use it.

Scott Gesualdi said that the date range is determined by the bank and the Town has had to obtain a TAN yearly for a number of years.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

15-15 Call for Public Hearing for the FY 2016 Municipal Budget [Sargent]

Chair Sargent said this is a housekeeping that we do each year, we'll have a hearing and a presentation.

William Orr questioned when the budget would be available.

Gordon Billington said that he budget will be available on February 24 by posting it online.

Councilor Newbegin questioned if people would be held to the five minute during the discussion of budget.

Chair Sargent said it would depend on the number of attendees.

Jane Cirone a member of the Budget Committee wondered if the vacant seat on the Budget committee.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

Moved by Olson seconded by Blanck and voted to add order 16-15 to the agenda.

Daniel Kasprzyk called for a point of order. He said that the new order should have been added at the beginning for the agenda.

Moved by Olson seconded by Blanck and voted to add order 16-15 to the agenda. (Unanimous)

16-15 Utility Location Permit – Central Maine Power Company – Oak Hill Road [Sargent]

Chair Sargent said that if approved this will allow CMP to install a utility pole on the Oak Hill Road.

VOTE: 7 Yeas

The Clerk read Section 4.4 of the Rules of Procedure, which requires that items are added by unanimous consent, however, does not speak to when during the meeting that the item should be added.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Several upcoming meetings were announced.

PUBLIC ITEMS

Lisa Seal thanked them for listening tonight, she said that she was sensitive to the last comment regarding that there had been enough public comment tonight.

Chair Sargent said no he was just commenting that it's almost 10 p.m.

Daniel Kasprzyk, the director of the Standish Watch Dog Group mentioned that they meet each Thursday at the Maine Street Grill beginning at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Sargent seconded by Pomerleau and voted to move into Executive Sessions for the purpose of discussion of personnel matters pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6) (A), the Council will be joined by Gordon Billington, he said that no business will be conducted after the Executive Session. Councilor Pomerleau announced that he will not attend the Executive Session. (Unanimous)

Moved seconded and voted to arise from the Executive Session. The Council arose from the Executive session at 10:30 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Submitted by: _____
Clerk/Secretary