

**Town Council Meeting
September 18, 2018**

Open Town Council Meeting: Councilor Chair Mark Ketch opened the Town Council meeting; all Town Council members were present. Also present was Town Manager Melissa Doane.

Maine Department of Labor Presentation: Michael LaPlante of the Maine Department of Labor explained that the Maine Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards has a program in which public sector employers can participate. The program provides training and guidance to ensure workplace safety. He along with Daniel Bolduc and Steven Greeley for the Department of Labor presented to the Bradley Volunteer Fire Department the SHAPE award. This award is only given to exemplary public sector employers after a through review and inspection of the employer's safety and health policies and procedures. All members of the Town Council applauded Chief Gifford and the Volunteer Fire Department for their high level of work and dedication.

Review of Minutes: Councilor Wade made a motion to accept the 9/4/18 Town Council Minutes as presented, seconded by Councilor Lugdon vote (4/0, Ketch absent 9/4/18).

Citizens Request: None

Managers' Report: Melissa stated that All States has reviewed Baker Lane, Ten Road and Deer Run Lane. Apparently, the street sweeper did not do Deer Run Lane; that was completed on Monday. The treatment is performing exactly has expected. Melissa also reported that she was able to sell the stone to David Hovencamp in the amount of \$550. He hauled the stone and cleaned the area over the weekend. These funds have been placed back into the road account.

The 2018-2019 winter salt and sand have been ordered; delivery is expected for Thursday.

The field work for the 2018-2019 municipal audit was completed on September 11, 2018.

Melissa attended the September 12, 2018 Municipal Review Committee meeting. An agreement has been reached with Casella/Juniper Ridge and they will continue to take Bradley's solid waste. It was reported that the tipping fee is more, however Coastal/Fiberight will be paying that amount. A detailed construction schedule is slated to be provided September 21. This schedule will highlight processing of recycling and solid waste acceptance. The next tour of the Fiberight facility will be October 2.

A rabies clinic has been scheduled at the municipal building for November 14, 2018 for 5:00 to 6:00, residents may also register their dogs at that time.

Maine Municipal Association needs a voting delegate for their annual business meeting to be held on October 3, 2018 in conjunction with the Convention; in the past this Town Council has voted for Melissa to do this. Councilor Strout made a motion to designate Melissa Doane as the voting delegate, seconded by Councilor Richard, vote 5/0. Melissa added that if any Town Council member wanted to

attend the convention there are funds available in the training account as her registration is complementary due to her election of the Executive Committee.

Melissa provided information to the Town Council regarding the County Caucus to be held on September 26 if a councilor member is interested in serving on the County Budget Committee.

Melissa reminded the Town Council that the office will be closing tomorrow at 1 pm as Cindy and Terry are in training and she is expected in South Portland for the Executive Committee Strategic Meeting. This meeting is Wednesday September 18 to September 20.

Councilor Strout stated that she had gone to Deer Run Lane and thought that the road was in good condition and that was before the additional street sweeping had occurred. Councilor Ketch asked Melissa if she had received many complaints. She stated that she had not received any however there were several emails sent and comments made on the Town's Facebook page.

Councilor Ketch asked if there were concerns from the MRC board regarding the Fiberight facility. Melissa responded that there is a concern as the project was slated to be completed by April and we are into September. The board is hopeful that the schedule will provide reassurance to the members.

Councilor Strout asked if it was going to be necessary for Bradley to stop the recycling program as other towns have done in the area. Melissa informed the Council that the current recycling contract does not expire until 2019, a decision will have to be made at that time. She has spoken to a Fiberight representative Shelby Wright and they plan on having a greater conversation when the timeline becomes more important.

New Business: Another abatement request has been received by Robert Wing for "interest and whatever the court will allow for this crime". The documents provided by Mr. Wing do not make it clear what he is requesting. Councilor Richard made a motion to deny the abatement as there was no specific request and there is no understanding of what is being asked, seconded by Councilor Strout, vote 5/0.

Karen Richard stated that she attended an AARP workshop to learn more about becoming an Age Friendly Community. She brought back a few ideas that she would like the Council to consider. The first is an ordinance regarding providing property tax assistance for elderly homeowners, providing them with an option to stay in their home longer. The other is an addition to the land use ordinance that provides some variance for building apartments, or additional housing for elderly parents/relatives. The Council further discussed the benefits of both suggestions. Karen added that 2 other residents, Ethel Hill and Bud Walkup attended the event with her. They will be planning a meeting with and perhaps work on providing a questionnaire for voters to complete before entering the polls in November. She added that all the speakers were well received and made the attendees excited about the program.

Unfinished Business: None

Municipal Warrants: Councilor Ketch made a motion to accept municipal warrant # 18 in the amount of \$5650.98, municipal warrant #19 in the amount of \$1637.51, municipal warrant #20 in the amount of 2365.50, municipal warrant #21 in the amount of \$7142.814 and municipal warrant #22 in the amount of \$8587.12, seconded by Councilor Ketch, vote 5/0.

Next Meeting: The next meeting was set for October 2, 2018 with a public hearing regarding the General Assistance Appendix and Winter Parking.

Adjourn: Councilor Lugdon made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Richard, vote 5/0.