

**TOWN OF NEWMARKET, NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

APRIL 4, 2018 7:00 PM

TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Approved April 18, 2018

PRESENT: Council Chairman Dale Pike, Council Vice Chairman Toni Weinstein, Councilor Gretchen Kast, Councilor Kyle Bowden, Councilor Amy Burns

EXCUSED: Councilor Casey Finch, Councilor Zachary Dumont

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Steve Fournier, Fire Chief Rick Malasky, Bill Wood of NH Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Nancy Vaughn of NH American Heart Association

AGENDA

Chairman Dale Pike welcomed everyone to the April 4, 2018 Newmarket Town Council Meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Pike stated that Councilor Casey Finch and Councilor Zach Dumont were excused.

PUBLIC FORUM

Chairman Pike opened the Public Forum at 7:02 pm, and said representatives from HeartSafe would be presenting an award.

Mr. Bill Wood, Preparedness & Special Projects Coordinator with the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, NH Department of Safety, said he was there with Nancy Vaughn of the American Heart Association. He said for the last 10 years the American Heart Association, the Department of Safety, and the Department of Health & Human Services instituted the HeartSafe Communities initiative to recognize municipalities that had organized community CPR programs, advocated for public access to defibrillators and advanced life-support capability to try to mitigate sudden cardiac arrest incidents in New Hampshire. He said currently, the EMS system averaged approximately 250 adult cardiac arrests per month.

Mr. Wood said that Newmarket was the 28th town in the State to attain HeartSafe Community recognition, and gave kudos to the Newmarket Fire & Rescue Department, Public Safety, and local Hospitals. He said the Town of Newmarket would be receiving a HeartSafe sign. He presented a certificate which stated that this was an opportunity for the Town to positively impact citizens and visitors to New Hampshire, with the goal of the program to increase survival rates of sudden cardiac arrest. The document was signed by Deborah Pendergast, NH Director of Fire Safety and Training and EMS.

Nancy Vaughn, of the American Heart Association, said she had been working with Mr. Wood and others at EMS Developmental Health on HeartSafe Communities for a number of years. She said that it was not an easy designation for a town to reach, and involved a great deal of work by the community to increase the chances of survival of their residents. She said the American Heart Association was all about saving lives. She presented an official HeartSafe Certificate to Newmarket for meeting the criteria to be designated as a New Hampshire HeartSafe Community.

Fire Chief Rick Malasky said he would like to add that Garret Thompson, who taught the CPR classes in their department, had worked very hard for Newmarket to achieve this designation and should take all the credit for the accomplishment.

Chairman Pike closed the Public Forum at 7:08 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING – None

TOWN COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – None

REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINSTRATOR

Town Administrator Steve Fournier reminded the Council that a **Goal-Setting Session** was scheduled for the following Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at 6:00 pm in the Auditorium. He said the facilitator was asking for councilors to come up with 3 goals they would like to see achieved in the next year. He said they would first review previous goals and add on or revamp the goals from last year.

Town Administrator Fournier stated that **Channel 13 Upgrades** were being made to equipment which should be finished shortly. He said the Town had switched to a new online system called Televue, which improved the streaming and sound quality of the meetings. He said Channel 13 was also streaming live constantly.

Town Administrator Fournier stated that the Newmarket School District had begun researching placing a **School Resource Officer** at the elementary level, with funding to come from the School Budget. He said Chief True, the Superintendent, and himself were working on getting a plan to the School Board.

Town Administrator Fournier said he was pleased to announce that the Newmarket Recreation Department had been selected to move forward to the next round in the grant application process to receive funding for a **Splash Pad and Bath House Grant** from the National Park Service, to be installed in

Leo Landroche Field. He said the grant would fund approximately 50% of the \$400,000 project cost, with the remainder coming from Capital Reserves and Impact Fees. He said though this was not notice of the award, it was a big step forward.

Town Administrator Fournier stated that Town of Newmarket would be holding their annual **Great Bay Half Marathon and the Center for Orthopedics and Movement 5K Road Race** on Sunday, April 8, 2018. He said the new start and finish for the race would be Downtown in the area of the War Memorial, and there would be road closures and delays. He said Downtown would be closing at 8:00 am before the 11:00 am start of the race, and reopening around 3:00 pm. He said signs would be displayed throughout the Town.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice-Chair Weinstein said the *Energy & Environment Advisory Committee* had met last evening. She said they had a great presentation by Facilities Director Greg Marles with the chance for him to interact with committee members. She said they had decided to form sub-committees to meet with Facilities Director Marles individually, and they also considered ways the committee could assist the Facilities Director with what he was already doing.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN THE 2ND READING – None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN THE 3RD READING – None

ITEMS LAID ON THE TABLE

Town Administrator Fournier said he recommended that the Council make a motion to remove the item from the table and vote it down. He said it could be brought back up when things were ready, as the Planning Board was still looking at zoning changes.

Resolution #2015/2016-52 Authorizing the Designation of a Portion of Route 152 as an Economic Recovery Zone. *(This Resolution is tabled from the June 15, 2016 Council Meeting pending Planning Board action.)*

Vice-Chair Weinstein made a motion to remove Resolution #2015/2016-52 *Authorizing the Designation of a Portion of Route 152 as an Economic Recovery Zone* from the table, which was seconded by Councilor Burns. Town Administrator Fournier polled the Council and the motion to remove Resolution #2015/2016-52 *Authorizing the Designation of a Portion of Route 152 as an Economic Recovery Zone* from the table was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Vice-Chair Weinstein made a motion to approve Resolution #2015/2016-52 *Authorizing the Designation of a Portion of Route 152 as an Economic Recovery Zone*, which was seconded by Councilor Bowden. Town Administrator Fournier polled the Council and the motion to approve Resolution #2015/2016-52

Authorizing the Designation of a Portion of Route 152 as an Economic Recovery Zone failed by a vote of 0-5.

NEW BUSINESS /CORRESPONDENCE

TOWN COUNCIL TO CONSIDER NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS

Macallen Dam Study Committee

Candidate: *Wendy "Willow" Ferrin – Term Expires March 2019*

Vice-Chair Weinstein made a motion to approve the nomination of *Wendy "Willow" Ferrin – Term Expires March 2019* as a member of the Macallen Dam Study Committee, which was seconded by Councilor Burns.

Town Administrator Fournier polled the Council and the nomination of *Wendy "Willow" Ferrin* as a member of the *Macallen Dam Study Committee* was approved by a vote of 5-0.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN THE 1ST READING

Ordinance # 2017-2018-03 Amendments to Chapter 32 Zoning, Section 32-238 Impact Fees of the Municipal Code of the Town of Newmarket and Zoning Ordinance, Adopted 2/14/1996 as Amended through October 18, 2017

Chairman Pike read *Ordinance # 2017-2018-03 Amendments to Chapter 32 Zoning, Section 32-238 Impact Fees of the Municipal Code of the Town of Newmarket and Zoning Ordinance, Adopted 2/14/1996 as Amended through October 18, 2017* by title only.

Resolution #2017/2018-42 Purchase of a Ford Taurus Unmarked Cruiser for the Police Department to include Costs Associated with Replacement of Emergency Lighting, and Equipment Set-up

Town Administrator Fournier read *Resolution #2017/2018-42 Purchase of a Ford Taurus Unmarked Cruiser for the Police Department to include Costs Associated with Replacement of Emergency Lighting, and Equipment Set-up* in full.

Resolution #2017/2018-43 Purchase of a Ford Interceptor SUV for the Police Department to include Costs Associated with Replacement and/or Transferal of Emergency Lighting, and Equipment Set-up

Chairman Pike read *Resolution #2017/2018-43 Purchase of a Ford Interceptor SUV for the Police Department to include Costs Associated with Replacement and/or Transferal of Emergency Lighting, and Equipment Set-up* in full.

Resolution #2017/2018-44 Purchase of Tucker Property for Conservation Purposes

Chairman Pike read *Resolution #2017/2018-44 Purchase of Tucker Property for Conservation Purposes* in full.

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Resolution #2017/2018-45 Adoption of the Newmarket, NH Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Chairman Pike read Resolution #2017/2018-45 Adoption of the Newmarket, NH Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in full.

Councilor Kast stated that she found a substantive error in the wording of *Ordinance # 2017-2018-03* which needed amending. Town Administrator Fournier asked her to email the error and said they would amend at the next regular meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

CLOSING COMMENTS

Vice-Chair Weinstein said that the Roadside Cleanup would be happening this year on Sunday, April 29, 2018 from 1:00 pm–4:00 pm. She emphasized that this was not Spring Cleanup but litter removal from streets and roadways. She said they would focus on Grant Road, Ash Swamp Road, Route 152, and Hersey Lane depending on how many people showed up to help.

NEXT MEETING: The Town Council will meet April 11th for a Goal-Setting Session with Primex to be held at 6:00 pm in the Auditorium. The next Regular Town Council Meeting will be held on April 18, 2018 in the Town Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Pike adjourned the meeting at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary