



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – JANUARY 7, 2019

Council convened January 7, 2019 in the Old Town City Council Chambers at 265 Main Street.

Councilors present: President Stan Peterson, Donna Ketchen, Janet Klitch, David Mahan, Carol May and Kyle Smart. Shirley Brissette absent.

Administration present: Bill Mayo, Patty Brochu, Cindy Jennings, Travis Roy and Scott Wilcox.

Others present: two citizens in the audience.

Council President Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor Mahan, moved to approve the Minutes of the December 3, 2018 Organizational and Regular Council Meetings and the December 17, 2018 Special Council Meeting. *Approved all in favor, 6-0.*

COMMUNICATIONS

French Island resident Phil Veilleux congratulated Councilors Mahan and Smart on winning the election. He also thanked, on behalf of all the French Island residents, Councilors Mahan, May and the Public Works for an excellent job on all the work done on the island.

Public Safety Director Scott Wilcox introduced Mark Carter from Real Term Global who sells/leases LED Streetlights. Mr. Carter did a presentation and in summary he told the audience that he can reduce the cost of streetlights by 61%.

REPORTS

Councilor Smart asked about an article he read that Ellsworth was scaling back on recycle materials. Manager Mayo said this will be a discussion needed down the road due to the tariffs put on China.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The City Council conducted a Public Hearing on a new application for a Victualer's (Food establishment) License and a Malt & Vinous Liquor License for Danai Srisodsai, d/b/a Thai Orchid Restaurant, 151 Main Street.

President Peterson opened the Public hearing. There being no comments, he closed the Hearing.

The City Council considered approval of a new application for a Victualer's (Food establishment) License and Liquor License for the Thai Orchid Restaurant.

Councilor Mahan, seconded by Councilor Smart, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves a new application for a Victualer's (Food establishment) License and a Malt & Vinous Liquor License for Danai Srisodsai, d/b/a Thai Orchid Restaurant, 151 Main Street contingent upon final inspection. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

The City Council considered approval to accept monies from the State of Maine in the case against the State of Maine vs. Seth McLaughlin in the amount of \$2,442.00.

Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Smart, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves to accept \$2,442.00 from the State of Maine vs. Seth McLaughlin based on the grounds that the Old Town Police department made a substantial contribution to the investigation of this criminal case. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered renewing the annual Animal Control Agreement with Penobscot County for Animal Control Services in the City at the cost stated in the Agreement.

Councilor Ketchen, seconded by Councilor Mahan, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby approves renewing the annual Animal Control Agreement with Penobscot County at the cost stated in the Agreement for Animal Control Services in the City. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered accepting an OUI Grant from the Bureau of Highway Safety to be used for Drunk Driving Enforcement details.

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor May, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby accepts an OUI Grant from the Bureau of Highway Safety in the amount of \$7,800.00 to be used for Drunk Driving Enforcement details.

Councilor Smart asked what the time period was for the Grant. Director Wilcox said it's from 10/01/2018 to 9/15/2019. Councilor Smart asked him to get the word out.

Motion approved all in favor, 6-0.

The City Council considered accepting a 2018 Byrne Jag Grant to purchase 7 Delta 4 half-cut Ballistic helmets for the Police Search Warrant Team.

Councilor May, seconded by Councilor Mahan, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby accepts the 2018 Byrne Jag Grant in the amount of \$2,762.00 to purchase

7 Delta 4 half-cut Ballistic helmets for the Police Search Warrant Team. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

The City Council considered accepting a MEMA Grant in the amount of \$22,985.55 which will fund 3 projects.

Councilor Smart, seconded by Councilor Mahan, Resolved, the Old Town City Council hereby accepts a MEMA Grant in the amount of \$22,985.55 to fund 3 projects as follows: 1) Add video cameras to the Elementary School; 2) install 5 wireless panic alarms at City Hall; 3) An LPR (License Plate Reading) System for the Police Department. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

Councilor Klitch, seconded by Councilor Smart, moved to adjourn at 6:49 p.m. **Approved all in favor, 6-0.**

Adjourned,

Patricia A. Brochu, CMC
City Clerk-Old Town, ME