

**CITY OF EASTPORT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 2016
SHEAD HIGH SCHOOL - BAND ROOM - 5:30 P.M.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 5:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

<u> </u> Personnel Matters	Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A)
<u> x </u> Real Property or Economic Development	Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C)
<u> </u> +Labor Negotiations	Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D)
<u> x </u> Consultation w/Legal Counsel	Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 495(6)(E)
<u> </u> Poverty Abatement Application	Title 36 M.R.S.A. § 841

Those in Attendance: Councilor Roscoe Archer, Councilor Scott Emery, Councilor Jan Finley, Councilor Mary Repole, and Council President, Gilbert Murphy. Also present were City Manager, Elaine Abbott; Legal Counsel, Dennis Mahar; and City Clerk, Ella Kowal.

Council President calls this portion of the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

MOTION FINLEY **SECOND** REPOLE **(PASSED 5-0) TIME: 5:31 P.M.**
To go into Executive Session for Real Property or Economic Development under Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C) and for Consultation with Legal Counsel under Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E).

MOTION FINLEY **SECOND** REPOLE **(PASSED 5-0) TIME: 6:00 P.M.**
To come out of Executive Session.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Those in Attendance: Councilor Roscoe Archer, Councilor Scott Emery, Councilor Jan Finley, Councilor Mary Repole, and Council President, Gilbert Murphy. Also present were City Manager, Elaine Abbott; Legal Counsel, Dennis Mahar; and City Clerk, Ella Kowal. .

Attendees in the Audience: Marged Higginson, Kathy Lewis, Dennis Mahar, Shannon Emery, Anne Stanley, Gordon Smith, Lora Whelan, Jon McNerney, Hailley Bradbury, Colleen Dana-Cummings, and Walter Cummings

I. CALL TO ORDER - Council President called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

II. ACTION from EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION REPOLE **SECOND** EMERY **(PASSED 5-0)**

To approve and authorize the rebate for the credit amount of \$2,447.85 that is on real estate account #505 to be issued back to the taxpayer.

III. PUBLIC HEARING(S) - THERE WERE NONE

IV. ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING(s) - THERE WERE NONE/NOT APPLICABLE

V. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

MOTION REPOLE **SECOND** FINLEY **(PASSED 5-0)**

To adjust Item VII "New Business" to add (h) Council Approval for masonry work and installation of door at the mill not to exceed \$10,000.00 and to also adjust the Consent Agenda with adding the appointment of Walter Cummings to the Deer Committee under Item C.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - THE LANDMARK 1887

MOTION REPOLE **SECOND** ARCHER **(PASSED 5-0)**

To approve the placement of tables and two chairs per table along with the fence outside of The Landmark 1887. (Council President emphasizes that the applicant should also make reference of this on her application for next year when reapplying.)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a) APPOINTMENT of GILBERT MURPHY as EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

MOTION REPOLE **SECOND** FINLEY **(PASSED 3-1)**

Councilor Archer voted "NO"

To approve the appointment of Gilbert Murphy as Emergency Management Director.

b) OPENING & AWARD OF BID – SALE OF CITY PROPERTY – 1 SOUTH STREET (TAX MAP #J7-0A3-13)

The City Clerk notes that there was only one bid received and gives it to Council President for opening. The Council President opens the bid submitted. The bid received comes from Richard and Dora Adams of 3 Milwaukee Lane in Dennysville Maine for an amount of \$8,600.00.

MOTION REPOLE **SECOND** FINLEY **(PASSED 5-0)**

To accept and award the bid for the sale of 1 South Street to Richard and Dora Adams for an amount of \$8,600.00 and to also accept the deposit check in the amount of \$860.00 and that any excess revenue is to go into the Special Reserve account.

c) PERPETUAL CARE LOT – JAMES JOLLOTTA – WEST SIDE/NEW LOTS 15A,B,C & 16A,B,C - \$712.50

MOTION ARCHER SECOND FINLEY (PASSED 5-0)

To approve perpetual care for James Jollotta in the amount of \$712.50 referencing the West Side/New Lots, #15A,B,C and 16A,B,C as submitted.

d) REVIEW OF SUBMITTED PROPOSAL – RE: CITY HALL BUILDING at 78 HIGH STREET

Council President reads the proposal submitted by Shead High School. Councilor Finley comments to say it is a wonderful idea but does not want any tax burden on the residents of Eastport. Councilor Repole notes that it must be clear that the City would not be responsible for the maintenance. Councilor Archer comments to say that they are currently holding a School Board meeting. Council agrees to table this until they have heard from the School after their meeting.

MOTION REPOLE SECOND ARCHER (PASSED 5-0)

To table this matter and revisit it at the December, 2016 meeting.

e) CITY PROPERTY for SPECIAL HUNT

The City Manager updates Council that IF&W is expected to render a final decision with regard to the City's request for the proposed deer hunt.

MOTION REPOLE SECOND ARCHER (PASSED 5-0)

To authorize and approve the opening of City property for a Special Deer Hunt as requested.

f) COUNCIL LIAISON/MANAGER UPDATES

The City Manager updates Council that due to the changes in the FEMA flood maps and for concerns of the businesses and residents on the waterfront, the City has hired an independent engineering firm to examine the transect applied to our coastline and a copy of the report is available at City Hall for review. She further updates that the telecommuting website has been featured in the Boston Globe, Working Waterfront, and the Maine Townsman as well as addressed by Lora Whalen at the Council of Governments at the annual meeting. She also updates Council that roadwork has begun with the replacing of cross road culverts on Toll Bridge Road, Deep Cove Road, and Kendall Head Road along with various locations of catch basins. She takes a moment to thank the election workers for their dedication and time. She also thanks Gilbert Murphy and his students at the Washington County Community College for on-the-job training out at the mill building at no charge to the City for updates to the electrical components for the heating system.

MOTION REPOLE SECOND FINLEY (PASSED 4-1)

Councilor Archer voted "NO"

To accept the reports as presented and given by the City Manager.

g) COUNCIL APPROVAL of CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION ARCHER **SECOND** FINLEY **(PASSED 5-0)**
To approve the consent agenda as submitted and amended.

h) COUNCIL APPROVAL for MASONRY WORK and INSTALLATION
of DOOR at the MILL – not to Exceed \$10,000.00

Council President comments to say that the door is going in on the Tex-Shield side and will allow the City to rent space out for storage and that there have been inquiries in this regard and the City is hoping that will help defray the costs at the mill.

MOTION REPOLE **SECOND** ARCHER **(PASSED 5-0)**
To authorize masonry work and installation of door at the mill not to exceed \$10,000.00

IX. COUNCIL ISSUES

Council President updates that Council has met with Elaine Abbott and that they have held discussion on matters and that she has agreed to stay on as City Manager and the Council is very pleased with this decision and are glad she has decided to remain with us.

Council President further notes that Open Forum is not on the agenda and comments that much of what comes before Council can be addressed at City Hall. Should a resolution not be able to be met, then the matter can be placed on the agenda and brought forth to Council

Shannon Emery makes a request that City Hall be open after 4:00 p.m. one day a month for those residents that work out of town and are unable to get in throughout the date. The City Manager offers up the opportunity for her to come in and discuss this further and consider all options.

X. ADJOURN
MOTION ARCHER **SECOND** FINLEY **(PASSED 5-0) TIME: 6:25 P.M.**
To adjourn.