MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2018
7:00 P.M.

There was a pre-meeting of the City Council at 6:30 p.m. in Conference Room A.


Absent: Councilor Wilson.

PUBLIC HEARING: Amendment to the Code of Ordinance Article III: Conduct in Public Parks § 215-11 (City Manager Approval of Beer and Wine Tents)

PUBLIC HEARING: Kennebec Valley YMCA for a Public Service CDBG Grant

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

CONSENT AGENDA:

18-092 City Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)
BE IT ORDERED, that the minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting held May 17, 2018, submitted by the City Clerk’s office be approved.

18-093 City Manager (Bureau of City Clerk)
BE IT ORDERED, that the minutes of the City Council Special Meeting held May 31, 2018, submitted by the City Clerk’s office be approved.

18-094 City Manager (Bureau of Audit Accounts)
BE IT ORDERED, that the Roll of Accounts for the month of May, 2018 in the amount of $8,066,757.60 be approved.

18-095 Mayor
BE IT ORDERED, that Michael McKenney is hereby reappointed to the Joint Audit Committee, said term to expire June 7, 2021.

18-096 City Manager
BE IT ORDERED, in accordance with the City of Augusta Code of Ordinance, Part IV, Land Use Ordinance Section 300-514 A(1)(a)[1][o], that the City Council authorizes the modification of the hours of work of the Greater Augusta Utility District (and companies working for them under contract) during this calendar year, 2018, to perform construction and maintenance work on their infrastructure such as pipe installation, cleaning and maintaining catch basins and adjusting access points (manhole covers and valve boxes). Areas of work where modified work hours may be needed are throughout the City. Doing this work at night is beneficial to public safety as it minimizes potential disruption to daytime traffic patterns. Times to be determined based on the GAUD’s request/schedule and as approved by the City Manager.
18-097  City Manager
BE IT ORDERED, that the City Manager is authorized to contract with the City’s realtor, REMAX Realty, for the listing of one tax acquired property (0.16 acres – land only) located at 20 Tracy Street, a PD2 Zone parcel (Map 49 Lot 40).

Motion for passage of the Consent Agenda orders 18-092 to 18-097.
By: O’Brien  Second by: Lind
Yeas: 7  Nays: 0

OLD BUSINESS – TABLED MATTERS:  SECOND READING (ORDINANCES)

18-074  City Manager
BE IT ORDAINED, that the City Council of the City of Augusta amends Article III: Conduct in Public Parks § 215-11 Rules and regulations; enforcement by adding the underlined text as follows:

A. Specific rules and regulations regulating conduct in parks, playgrounds, athletic fields, and cemeteries of the City shall be promulgated by the Director of Parks and Cemeteries as well as Recreation, subject to approval by the City Council, and copies of such rules and regulations shall be on file in the City Clerk's office.

B. The Police Department shall enforce all federal and state laws as well as City ordinances at all City parks, athletic fields, playgrounds and cemeteries, regardless of their operating hours.

C. Any City-sanctioned use of alcoholic beverages intended to take place on City property, including public parks, shall only occur with the express permission of the City Manager upon recommendation of after consultation with the Director of Community Services and Chief of Police.

Motion for passage of order 18-074.
By: O’Brien  Second by: Elliott

Motion to amend the order by striking “upon recommendation of” and substituting “after consultation with”.
By: O’Brien  Second by: Day
Yeas: 7  Nays: 0

Vote on order 18-074 as amended.
Yeas: 7
Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS:  PART I – ORDERS AND RESOLVES
WHEREAS, the City of Augusta wishes to apply to the Department of Economic and Community Development for a Community Development Block Grant to carry out a community development program; and

WHEREAS, the planning process required by Maine Law and the CDBG Program have been complied with and the community has conducted at least one duly advertised public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Augusta is cognizant of the requirement that should the intended National Objective of the CDBG program not be met, all CDBG funds must be repaid to the State of Maine CDBG program; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Augusta that the City Manager:

1) Is authorized and directed to submit an application for the following program and within the State of Maine’s CDBG Program:

   Program: Kennebec Valley YMCA
   Public Service Grant                        Amount: $50,000

Motion to suspend further reading of order 18-098.
By: O’Brien       Second by: Elliott
Yeas: 7
Nays: 0

To the Department of Economic and Community Development on behalf of the City of Augusta, substantially in the form presented to this council.

2) Is authorized to make assurances on behalf of the City of Augusta as required as part of such applications.

3) Is authorized and directed, upon acceptance of said funds, to carry out the duties and responsibilities for implementing said program(s), consistent with the Charter of the City of Augusta and the laws and regulations governing planning and implementation of community development programs in the State of Maine.

Motion for passage of order 18-098.
By: Elliott       Second by: Alexander
Yeas: 7
Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS:

PART 2 – ORDINANCES BEING READ FOR THE FIRST TIME
NO VOTE REQUIRED

18-099       City Manager
BE IT ORDAINED THAT, the City Council hereby amends the Code of Ordinance Chapter 148 Section 148-2 as follows:

The Fire Chief must be a resident of the City of Augusta within 90 days of his/her appointment. This provision does not apply to the person holding said position on the effective date of Ordinance No. 360. The City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, may waive this requirement at its discretion.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee Reports
City Manager’s Report

Motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
By: Day Second by: Lind
Yeas: 7
Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,
Roberta L. Fogg, City Clerk
June 7, 2018