MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 P.M.

All members of the Council were present, except Councilors Bilodeau and Emery; Mayor Stokes presided.

Presentation - Lung Cancer Awareness Month by Deborah Violette

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING

12-157
BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:
That Chapter 2 – Administration, Article II - City Council, Division 2 - Rules of Procedure, §2-51. Presiding Officer of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be deleted:
Sec. 2-51. - Presiding officer.
(a) The Mayor, or in his absence the Chairperson, shall take the chair at the meetings of the Council.
(b) In the absence of the Mayor and the Chairperson, the City Clerk shall call the meeting to order, and a presiding officer for the time being shall be elected by the Council.

Motion for passage by: Paradis Second by: Munson
Yeas: 6; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
Rollins, Munson
Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS

READ AND PASSED

12-159
ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held October 4, 2012, submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Rollins Second by: Byron
Yeas: 6; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
Rollins, Munson
Nays: 0
12-160
ORDERED, That William Perry be reappointed to the Airport Advisory Committee; said term to expire on September 18, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins  Second by: Byron
Yeas:  6;  Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
Rollins, Munson
Nays:  0

12-161
ORDERED, That Gary Peachey be reappointed to the Airport Advisory Committee; said term to expire on September 18, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins  Second by: Byron
Yeas:  6;  Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
Rollins, Munson
Nays:  0

12-162
ORDERED, That David Smith be reappointed to the Airport Advisory Committee; said term to expire on September 18, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins  Second by: Byron
Yeas:  6;  Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
Rollins, Munson
Nays:  0

12-163
ORDERED, That Peter Thompson be reappointed to the Airport Advisory Committee; said term to expire on September 18, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion for passage by: Rollins  Second by: Byron
Yeas:  6;  Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
Rollins, Munson
Nays:  0

12-164
ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount not to exceed $10,000.00 from the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety for the 2013 “Drive Sober Maine!” 2013 High Visibility Impaired Driving Program. Grant funding will be utilized to provide directed impaired driving enforcement. The program begins December 1, 2012 and ends September 6, 2013.
12-165
ORDERED, That Voter Registration hourly schedule for open session for the November 6, 2012 State of Maine General & Referendum and City of Augusta Municipal Election be:

Thursday, November 1, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The intent of this order is to change the evening session time in accordance with M.R.S.A., Title 21-A, Section 122(8), as amended.

12-166
ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the sale of a Surplus 1985 Engine-6 Fire Truck to the State of Maine Department of Corrections for a sale price of $3,500.

12-167
WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that residents that heat with wood must often process the wood at their homes for a one or two season's supply of firewood; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received complaints from residents about individuals claiming to be processing firewood only for themselves and family members, but appear to possibly be processing on a commercial scale.

Now therefore be it ORDERED that the Planning Board review and make recommendation on creating a definition for "Fuel Wood Processing" to better define firewood processing on a commercial scale, as opposed to a typical, and acceptable, scale of firewood processing for heating the home on the property where the firewood is processed.
ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the appropriation of $35,000 from the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance for an amount not to exceed $35,000 for improvements to Pierce Drive. This appropriation is conditioned on a matching appropriation from the School Department.

Motion for passage by: Munson    Second by: Rollins
Yea: 6; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien
    Rollins, Munson
Nay: 0

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
October 29, 2012