MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2016
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 P.M.

All members of Council were present except Councilor McCormick; Mayor Rollins presided.

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

READ AND PASSED

16-015
BE IT ORDERED, That $733,528 be and hereby is appropriated from the North Augusta Tax Increment Financing District to supplement the $3,615,000 appropriated for the North Augusta Fire Station.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That $26,071 be and hereby is appropriated from the 2011 J. S. McCarthy Tax Increment Financing District to supplement the $3,615,000 appropriated for the North Augusta Fire Station.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That $66,830 be and hereby is appropriated from the NRF Distributors Inc. Tax Increment Financing District to supplement the $3,615,000 appropriated for the North Augusta Fire Station.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That $21,203 be and hereby is appropriated from the 2014 NRF Distributors Facility Consolidation Tax Increment Financing District to supplement the $3,615,000 appropriated for the North Augusta Fire Station.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the total authorized to be spent on the North Augusta Fire Station shall not exceed $4,115,000.

Motion remove from table by: Paradis Second by: Grant
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

Motion for passage by: Paradis Second by: Bilodeau
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-016
BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, Article III, Division 1, Section 18/73 as amended, be further amended by deleting the following:

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Water Street:

Parking shall be limited to 1 hour on the east side of Water Street beginning at the intersection of Bridge Street northerly for a distance of 202 feet.

Parking shall be limited to 1 hour on the east side of Water Street from a point 246 feet north of the Bridge Street intersection, northerly for a distance of 294 feet.

Motion for passage by: Bilodeau Second by: Munson
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett, Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ, FIRST READING

16-026
An ordinance to revise and codify the ordinances of the City of Augusta, County of Kennebec, State of Maine; providing for the maintenance of said code; repealing and saving from repeal certain ordinances not included therein; and establishing a penalty for altering or tampering with the Code.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, County of Kennebec, State of Maine, as follows (see attached):

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

16-027
BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of Augusta, as follows:
That Chapter 237 Solid Waste, Article III Collection, Section 237-8(D)(2)(b), (F)(1) & (F)(3) be amended as indicated below:
Section 237-8 (D)(2)
(b) Bags or containers shall not exceed a gross weight of one hundred (100) forty (40) pounds.

Section 237-8 (F)
(1) Cardboard boxes broken down and securely tied in bundles not exceeding 15 cartons or weight in excess of 400 40 pounds will be accepted for rubbish pick up.
(3) Cold domestic ash pick-up will be made in accordance with a schedule set by the City Manager. Ashes must be placed at the curb or roadside in plastic or metal containers not larger than 22–10 gallons in size. The total weight of the container, including contents, must not exceed 400 40 pounds.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)
NEW BUSINESS (Con’t)

READ AND PASSED

16-017
ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held January 21, 2016 submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson    Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-018
ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of January, 2016 in the amount of $5,624,104.66 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson    Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-019
ORDERED, That Terrence McCabe be appointed to the Old Fort Western Board of Trustees, said term to expire February 4, 2019.

Motion for passage by: Munson    Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-020
ORDERED, That the City Council accept a donation from the Hall-Dale High School Key Club in an amount totaling $325.00 for those not eligible for General Assistance heating assistance.

Motion for passage by: Munson    Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0

16-021
ORDERED, That the City Council accept from MaineGeneral Hospital a donation for the Farmers’ Market at Mill Park in an amount totaling $5,000.00.

Motion for passage by: Munson    Second by: Paradis
Yeas: 7; Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
Nays: 0
16-022
BE IT ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount not to exceed $6,000.00 from Inland Fisheries & Wildlife for the 2016 ATV Enforcement Grant. Grant funding will be utilized to provide directed ATV Enforcement.

    Motion for passage by: Bilodeau     Second by: Blodgett
    Yeas:  7;   Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
            Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
    Nays:  0

16-023
ORDERED, That the City Council accept an in-kind donation of furniture for the new library from the Friends of Lithgow Library with an estimated value of $270,000.

    Motion for passage by: Munson     Second by: Blodgett
    Yeas:  7;   Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
            Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
    Nays:  0

16-024
ORDERED, That per-capita fees for area communities designating the Hatch Hill Landfill as their municipal disposal facility shall be reduced from $15 per-capita to $10 per-capita effective July 1, 2016.

    Motion for passage by: Bilodeau     Second by: Conti
    Yeas:  7;   Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
            Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
    Nays:  0

16-025
ORDERED, That $6,000 is hereby authorized from the Downtown TIF for the purpose of regulatory signage in the downtown.

    Motion for passage by: Bilodeau     Second by: Blodgett
    Yeas:  7;   Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
            Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
    Nays:  0

16-028
ORDERED, That the City Council enter into executive session to discuss a pending litigation; 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(E).

    Motion for passage by: Conti     Second by: Grant
    Yeas:  7;   Conti, Grant, Paradis, Blodgett
            Munson, Bilodeau, Alexander
    Nays:  0
Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
February 5, 2016