

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014**

All members of Council were present except Councilors Bilodeau and Grant; Mayor Stokes presided.

The City Council convened in Conference Room A for an Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. for the following executive session:

NEW BUSINESS

READ AND PASSED

14-018

ORDERED, That the City Council enter into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter; 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A).

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

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 P.M.**

Presentation - Recognition of retiring AFD Battalion Chief Dan Guimond

Presentation - Shawn Moody of Moody's Auto Collision Center

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

READ, FIRST READING

14-017

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the need for patients at Alford Center for Health and the Alford Center for Cancer Care and their families to have options available for temporary housing; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the 2007 Comprehensive Plan encourages medically related uses in the medical zone; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board held multiple public hearings and voted unanimously to recommend a zoning modification; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, the following changes to the Land Use Ordinance be made:

Add a new use to Section 2.2, Additional Definitions, in proper alphabetical order:

Medical Boarding House – A rooming house exclusively used by patients and their families visiting Augusta to access services at the Alford Center for Health and the Alford Center for Cancer Care.

Add the new use to Table 3.6.A.1 as a permitted use in the following Zoning Districts:

RA, RB1, RB2, RC, RD, BP, KBD1, CB, CC, CD, PD, PD2, RDPS, RV, and MED

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

READ AND PASSED

14-005

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held January 2, 2014, submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-006

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of December, 2013 in the amount of \$4,486,586.19 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-007

ORDERED, That Phyllis von Herrlich be reappointed to the Historic Preservation Commission; said term to expire March 18, 2017.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-008

ORDERED, That Stephen Pecukonis be appointed to the Augusta Parking District; said term to expire January 16, 2019.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-009

ORDERED, That Peter Pare be reappointed to the Planning Board; said term to expire February 19, 2017.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-010

ORDERED, That Raegan F. LaRochelle be appointed to the Augusta Housing Authority; said term to expire January 16, 2019.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-011

ORDERED, That Nate Cotnoir be appointed to the Augusta Housing Authority; said term to expire January 16, 2019.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-012

ORDERED, That Dale McCormick be appointed to the Historic Preservation Commission; said term to expire January 16, 2017.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-013

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 2014 Speed Enforcement Program. Grant funding will be utilized to provide directed speed enforcement. There is no match requirement. Funds are to be expended by September 5, 2014.

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

14-014

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 2014 "Drive Sober Maine!", 2014 High Visibility Impaired Driving Program. Grant funding will be utilized to provide directed impaired driving enforcement. There is an in-kind match, which consists of documenting the actual project director's time spent managing the grants and by providing copies of OUI citations given during Bureau funded overtime details/roadblocks. Funds are to be expended by December 31, 2014.

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

14-015

WHEREAS, the Alewife an Anadromous fish, is an invaluable species that contributes to improving the water quality of streams and lakes, and

WHEREAS, the State of Maine, Division of Marine resources has set a fishery goal of reestablishing the Alewife runs in the Kennebec River and its tributaries, and

WHEREAS, the Worumontogus Lake Association submitted a grant application for the design and engineering of a Fishway for Togus Pond to help reestablish the Alewife runs in Togus Pond, and

WHEREAS, the Worumontogus Lake Association was awarded grants from Division of Marine Resources thru the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund in the amount Eight Thousand One Hundred Thirty Seven Dollars (\$8,137.00), and from the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Maine Coastal Communities Grant in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Three Dollars (\$15,863.00) for a total grant award of Twenty Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000.00), and

WHEREAS, the local match will be met with existing staff resources, volunteers and equipment, and

WHEREAS, is has been determined the City needs to be the fiscal agent on behalf of the Worumontogus Lake Association to carry out the project's objectives.

BE IT ORDERED, That City Council on behalf of the Worromontogus Lake Association accept the funds, be the fiscal agent for the project and authorize the City Manager to sign and execute the grant contracts and allocate staff time and resources to carry out the objectives and deliverables as set forth in the grant.

Motion for passage by: Munson Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-016

ORDERED, That the City Council adopt the General Assistance maximum levels in accordance with Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in compliance with Title 22 M.R.S.A. ss4305 (4).

Motion for passage by: Byron Second by: McCormick

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

14-019

ORDERED, That the City Council enter into an executive session to discuss real estate negotiations; 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(C).

Motion for passage by: O'Brien Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 6; Byron, Paradis, O'Brien
 Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
January 17, 2014