

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2013  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER  
7:00 P.M.**

All members of Council were present; Mayor Stokes presided.

Presentation - Historic Building Plaque for A. Safford – A. McCausland House  
circa 1828, by Lori Mastemaker

Public Hearing - Amendment to Old Belgrade Road / Exit 113 Economic  
Development Program and Tax Increment Financing District

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

READ AND PASSED, SECOND READING WAIVED

**13-056**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the reuse of the Cony Flatiron Building is in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, a developer who has worked with the city in the past on senior housing project at Old City Hall is interested in creating senior housing at the Cony Flatiron Building; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has reviewed the issue, held a public hearing, and made a unanimous recommendation in favor of amendment to the Land Use Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that Tax Map 38, Lot 117, be rezoned to Kennebec Business District 2 (KBD2).

Motion to Waive Second Reading by: Byron                      Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 8;              Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

Motion for passage by: Byron                      Second by: Munson

Yeas: 8;              Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

READ AND PASSED

**13-043**

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meeting held March 7, 2013, submitted by the City Clerk, be approved.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Byron

Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

**13-044**

ORDERED, That Michael Tardiff be appointed to the Strategic Communications Committee; said term to expire March 21, 2016.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Byron

Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

**13-045**

ORDERED, That Paul Castonguay be reappointed to the Assessment Review Board; said term to expire on March 5, 2016.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Byron

Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

**13-046**

ORDERED, That Nancy Bernier be appointed to the Strategic Communications Committee; said term to expire on March 21, 2016.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Byron

Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

**13-047**

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: Byron  
Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson  
Nays: 0

**13-048**

ORDERED, That the City Council accepts donations from Linda Piper in the amount of \$300.00; from Pierce Atwood in the amount of \$50.00; from Saunders Inc. in the amount of \$250.00; from Club 223 LLC in the amount of \$300.00; for a total of \$900.00 for the Petanque Courts at Mill Park.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Byron  
Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson  
Nays: 0

**13-049**

ORDERED, That the position of Deputy Finance Director is hereby authorized within the Department of Finance and Administration. Said position is a reclassification of the City Auditor position with all duties of the City Auditor contained within the Deputy Finance Director position.

Motion for passage by: Byron      Second by: Paradis  
Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson  
Nays: 0

**13-050**

ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to offer for sale by sealed bid the City owned tax acquired properties located at 97 Bog Road, Map 81, Lot 4; 23 Bridge Street, Map 34, Lot 100; 12 Green Street, Map 33, Lot 236; 36 Oak Street, Map 34, Lot 124; and Orchard Street, Map 21, Lot 31. The properties are being recommended to be sold by the Council's Other Real Estate Owned Committee. Net proceeds of each sale will be credited to the Lithgow Library Building Fund. City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Motion for passage by: Byron      Second by: Bilodeau  
Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                    Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson  
Nays: 0

**13-051**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, That the City Council of the City of Augusta hereby amends the City of Augusta 2007 Comprehensive Plan adding more direct language to support the redevelopment of the Cony Flatiron building. The amendments are as identified via purple underlined text in the attached document.





Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Byron  
Yeas: 8;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson  
Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk  
March 22, 2013