

**MINUTES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
THURSDAY, May 15, 2014  
6:30 P.M.**

All members of Council were present except Councilor Bilodeau; Mayor Stokes presided.

Proclamation - National Kids to Park Day

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

READ AND TABLED

**14-090**

ORDERED, in accordance with the City of Augusta Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Land Use Ordinance Section 5.1.15.1.A.1.o, that the City Council authorizes the City Manager to modify the hours of work of the gas utility contractors to perform work on their infrastructure. Areas of work where modified work hours may be needed are throughout the City and doing this work at night is beneficial to public safety by minimizing disruption of daytime traffic patterns. Times to be determined based on the Contractor's request and as approved by the City Manager.

Motion for passage by: Byron                      Second by Grant

Motion to table for 30 days by: Paradis                      Second by: Munson  
Yeas: 6;                      Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
   Rollins, McCormick, Munson  
Nays: 1;                      Byron

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

FIRST READING

**14-092**

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:  
That Chapter 18, section 34 Schedule of stop signs, flashing red lights, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by deleting the following:

Throughway    Entering Street  
Cony Street    ~~Arsenal Street~~ (Delete)

That Chapter 18, section 36 Schedule of yield right-of-way signs, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by adding the following:

Throughway    Entering Street  
Cony Street    Arsenal Street

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

READ AND PASSED

**14-082**

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held May 1, 2014 and May 8, 2014, submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

**14-083**

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of April, 2014 in the amount of \$4,645,628.16 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

**14-084**

ORDERED, That Louise Lerley, be appointed Ward 1 Warden for the upcoming June 10, 2014 election.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

**14-085**

ORDERED, That Voter Registration hourly schedule for open session for the June 10, 2014 Primary and City of Augusta Referendum Election be:

Thursday, June 5, 2014 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.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Grant

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

**14-086**

BE IT ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding in the amount \$22,703.00 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, FY2014 Local Solicitation. The grant of \$42,902.00 is distributed between three agencies. In accordance with grant specifications, grant funding will be allocated as such: \$22,703.00 awarded to the Augusta Police Department, \$12,750.00 awarded to the Waterville Police Department, \$7,449.00 awarded to the Kennebec County Sheriff’s Office. The Waterville Police Department will be the administrative agency for the grant. Grant funding to the Augusta Police Department will be used to train Augusta Police Officers and Dispatchers in C.I.T (Crisis Intervention Training.) The purpose of this training is to improve the way law enforcement respond to people experiencing mental health crises. Funding will also be used for the purchase evidence/ property lockers and interview room recording equipment.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis  
Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien  
                         Rollins, McCormick, Munson  
Nays: 0

**14-087**

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize a Beer and Wine Tent to be held on Friday, June 13th during the Kennebec Valley YMCA’s 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration or alternative rain date at the City’s Capital Park adjacent to the KVYMCA.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the Beer and Wine Tent be managed and operated by a duly licensed vendor with all applicable licenses, permits and insurance in place prior to the event and that all servers will be properly TIPS trained and certified.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis  
Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien  
                         Rollins, McCormick, Munson  
Nays: 0

**14-088            City Manager**

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize a Beer Garden to be held on Saturday August 2nd during the Augusta Fest or alternative rain date at the City’s Waterfront Park and adjacent parking lot.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the Beer Garden be managed and operated by a duly licensed vendor with all applicable licenses, permits and insurance in place prior to the event and that all servers will be properly TIPS trained and certified.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis  
Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O’Brien  
                         Rollins, McCormick, Munson  
Nays: 0

**14-089**

ORDERED, in accordance with the City of Augusta Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Land Use Ordinance Section 5.1.15.1.A.1.o, that the City Council authorizes the City Manager to modify the hours of work of the contractor retained by the Greater Augusta Utility District to clean and maintain catch basins and perform other work on their infrastructure. 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 Contractor's request/schedule and approved by the City Manager.

Motion for passage by: Byron            Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

**14-091**

Ordered, That the City Manager is authorized to execute a ninety year lease of the Hodgkins School Property to Augusta Housing Authority subject to review and approval by Corporation Counsel.

Motion for passage by: Rollins            Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, McCormick, Munson

Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk  
May 19, 2014