

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2013
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER
7:00 P.M.**

All members of Council were present; Mayor Stokes presided.

Presentation - Update on Natural Gas Construction in the City

Presentation - Middle School Basketball Clinics by Antrone "Juice" Moore

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

READ AND PASSED, AS AMENDED, SECOND READING WAIVED

13-152

~~The 126 Legislature adopted an amendment to 30 A MRSA, sub §2 to read:~~

- ~~B. A municipality may prohibit residence by a sex offender up to a maximum distance of 750 feet surrounding the real property comprising a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school or up to a maximum distance of 750 feet surrounding the real property comprising a municipally owned or state owned property that is leased to a nonprofit organization for purposes of a park, athletic field or recreation facility that is open to the public where children are the primary users.~~

~~The amended law goes into effect on October 9, 2013. It is my recommendation that the CARA Complex be added to the City Ordinance to list of restricted properties.~~

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

That Chapter 13, section 13-28 Residency Restrictions for Sex Offenders, as amended, be further amended by deleting and adding the following to:

Section 2: Definitions *(adding underlined portion)*

E. Restricted Property – The real property comprising a public or private elementary, middle or secondary school. The real property comprising a municipally owned property or state-owned property that is leased to a nonprofit organization for purposes of a park, athletic field or recreation facility that is open to the public ~~property~~ where children are the primary users. See Section 6 Restricted Property.

Section 6: Restricted Property

C. State Owned Property

1. CARA (Capitol Area Recreation Association) Complex

Bidder: Theresa M. Smith, 91 Bog Road, Augusta, Maine 04330 (abutter)

36 Oak Street, Map 34, Lot 124, Lot Size: .08 Acre, Total Value: \$82,200 Bid: \$15,000

Bidder: Matt Pouliot, 14 Winthrop Court, Augusta, Maine 04330 (abutter)

23 Bridge Street, Map 34, Lot 100, Total Lot Size: .05 Acre, Total Value: \$55,700

Map 34, Lot 97, Total Lot Size: .17 Acre, Total Value: \$19,700***

Bid: \$1,000.00 Bidder: Tobias Parkhurst, 107 Commercial Street, Augusta, Maine

These parcels contained land and buildings except for Map 34, Lot 97 (above ***) as it is an abutting land only parcel to Map 34, Lot 100.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That all net sales proceeds be deposited in the Lithgow Library Capital Construction Fund Account.

Motion for passage by: Bilodeau Second by: Byron

Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien

Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

13-149

ORDERED, That the City Council approves the attached Application for Petition and Petition forms as directed in the City Charter: Article V-A, Initiative and Referendum, Sec. 5. – Form of Application, Revised November 4, 2008.

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

Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien

Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

13-150

ORDERED, That the City Council does hereby grant approval pursuant to Title 15 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, section 5824(3) & 5826(6) to the transfer of \$1,366.00, or any portion thereof to the Augusta Police Department, on the grounds that the City of Augusta Police Department did make a substantial contribution to the investigation of the criminal case, namely, State of Maine vs. Latoya Pugh, State of Maine vs. Raishawn Wendall Key and State of Maine vs. Robert Lowry.

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

Yeas: 8; Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien

Rollins, Bilodeau, Emery, Munson

Nays: 0

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