

A regular meeting of the Caribou City Council was held 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2017 in Council Chambers with following members present: Mayor Gary Aiken, Deputy Mayor David Martin, Philip McDonough II, Joan L. Theriault, Jody R. Smith, Timothy C. Guerrette, and Nicole L. Cote.

Michael Gahagan, Interim City Manager

Department Manager: Penny Thompson, Tax Assessor; Scott Susi, Fire Chief; and Gary Marquis, Supt. of Parks and Recreation.

Spectrum covered the meeting.

The Mayor announced that the previously scheduled public hearing for Ordinance No. 4, 2017 Series An Ordinance prohibiting Recreational Marijuana has been rescheduled for the April 24th Council meeting as a notice wasn't published in the local newspaper within the required timeframe.

Council Agenda Item #1: Public Input.

- a) Barbara and Michael Tompkins – The Tompkins requested that the City accept \$10,000 for the back taxes and allow them to have a “fresh start”. The total amount owed, as of today, is \$11,960.76, which doesn't include the 2017 taxes. Mrs. Tompkins stated that she was unable to obtain a \$11,000 loan. Mr. Tompkins questioned why the property valuation increased from \$27,000 to \$47,000. The Mayor explained that in 2012 the City went through a revaluation. This property has been owned by the City since 2002.
Motion made by D. Martin, seconded by T. Guerrette, to accept \$10,000 as payment in full for the former Tompkins property and to abate the balance. (5 yes, 1 no, P. McDonough) So voted.
- b) Lloyd Tibbs – Map 29, Lot 40 – Since the last meeting Mr. Tibbs has contacted US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and it is most likely that HUD will help them with \$1,500. HUD has a stipulation that the \$1,400 balance needs to be paid over the next four months. Mr. Tibbs stated that if the City doesn't go along with this that it is likely that “HUD will bail on the arrangement”.
Donna Tibbs, mother of Lloyd Tibbs, stated that her and her husband have stepped in and she stated that the \$1,400 will be paid. Mrs. Tibbs and her husband are providing \$500 to go with the \$1,500 from HUD and will be helping their son with the four monthly payments of \$350.00.
Discussion.
Motion made by N. Cote, seconded by J. Smith, to sell tax acquired property, Map 29, Lot 40, to former owner Lloyd Tibbs for \$3,400 provided the following payment schedule is successfully completed: the receipt of \$2,000 within 21 days of April 10, 2017 and four monthly payments of \$350 paid on or before the 5th day of the months of May 2017, June 2017, July 2017, and August 2017. (4 yes, N. Cote, J. Smith, T. Guerrette, J. Theriault, 2 no, D. Martin, P. McDonough) So voted.
Mr. Tibbs extended his apologies to the Council for what has transpired.
- c) Dwane Theriault, Jr. – Mobile home located 215 Lombard Road – The mobile home is located on the property owned by his parents – Since the last Council meeting, Mr. Theriault spoken with Deputy Tax Collector Carl Grant regarding payments he has made towards taxes. Mr. Theriault requested that the Council give him a reasonable amount so he can go for a loan or a reasonable

payment arrangement. In the past, Mr. Theriault has been paying \$50 a month towards back taxes. Mr. Theriault questions whether all the payments he has made were credited to his taxes. Deputy Tax Collector Grant has provided information to the Council concerning payments and receipts and the Mayor noted that Grant has matched Mr. Theriault's receipts to the City's records.

Councilor McDonough stated that the property in question became tax-acquired in 2005 for 2003 taxes. As of April 6th, the amount due was \$4,648.07.

Mr. Theriault stated that he doesn't have that amount of money. Mr. Theriault has an outstanding mortgage of \$4,000.

Councilor McDonough stated that arrangements should be made by Mr. Theriault to pay the whole thing off.

Mr. Theriault walked out.

Council Agenda Item #2: Declaration of Conflicts of Interest from the City Council regarding any agenda item.

None.

Council Agenda Item #3: Consent Agenda

- a) Approval of the March 15, 2017 City Council Workshop Minutes
- b) Approval of the March 27, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes
- c) Approval of the March 30, 2017 City Council Workshop Minutes
- d) Department of Report
 1. Police-March
 2. Monthly Permit Report-March
 3. Tax Assessment & Permits-1st quarter
 4. Clerk and General Assistance-March
 5. Fire and Ambulance-March
 6. Housing and FSS-March
- e) Approval of Quit Claim Deeds
 1. Map 17, Lot 33-C – Ann Wilson & Brian Cyr
 2. Map 6, Lot 4-C – Clark and Theresa Ewing
 3. Map 34, Lot 67 – Clifford Mazerolle
- f) Approval of Taxi License
 1. Marty Clayton dba Aroostook Cab
- g) Approval of Rubbish Hauler License
 1. Gil's Sanitation
- h) Approval of Liquor and Special Amusement Permit
 1. Northern Maine Brewing Company

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by J. Smith, to approve Consent Agenda Items A-H as presented. (6 yes) So voted.

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Council Agenda Item #4: Code Enforcement for Woodland

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by D. Martin, to terminate the agreement with the Town of Woodland by which the City of Caribou provides Code Enforcement and Plumbing Inspector services by June 1, 2017 or sooner. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #5: Sale of Tax Acquired Property

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by N. Cote, to remove from the Bid List properties #22 Map 22, Lot 11-A and #24 Map 29, Lot 40 and to place the remaining tax acquired properties out to bid. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #6: Other Business

- A. Council nomination papers are available and the deadline to return is April 28th.
- B. Property cards on the website – discussion – Council requested information on costs – Assessor Penny Thompson will research and report back at the next Council meeting.

Motion made by T. Guerrette, seconded by P. McDonough, adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. (6 yes) So voted.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Workshop Council Meeting with Robert Clarke of NMDC Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Regular City Council Meeting Monday, April 24, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Regular City Council Meeting Monday, May 8, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Jayne R. Farrin, Secretary