

Council Agenda Item #1: Roll Call

The Caribou City Council held a City Council Meeting, Monday, August 24, 2020 at 6:00p.m. in the Council Chambers with the following members present D. Morrell, H. Kirkpatrick, R. Mark Goughan, T. Ayer, N. Cote, and J. Theriault. J. Smith was absent.

Dennis L Marker, City Manager was present in Council Chambers along with Department Head K. Murchison.

The meeting was broadcasted via Spectrum, and Caribou's YouTube Channel.

Council Agenda Item #2: Invocation/Inspirational Thought  
Mayor Goughan led an invocation.

Council Agenda Item #3: Pledge of Allegiance  
Mayor Goughan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Agenda Item #4: Public Forum

Bruce Hagelstein- Caribou Resident: He spoke in opposition of placing the snow plowing out for bid. Mr. Hagelstein is in favor of getting the roof repaired at the fire station sooner rather than later and he also spoke about investment policies regarding the three million dollars that needs to be reinvested and stated that he will try to get more information before he comes in again about reinvesting the monies.

Bill Gehring- Caribou Resident: Bill came in to speak about his time on Fenderson Street and why they would like to acquire the neighboring property and his visions for the parcel.

Wilfred Martin- Caribou Resident: He came to share his opinion on the ambulance service and about two bills that he has received.

Council Agenda Item #5: City Council Minutes

a. July 15 Special Meeting

Motion made by T. Ayer, seconded by J. Theriault to accept the July 15, 2020 minutes. (6 Yes) So voted.

b. July 27 Regular Meeting

Motion made by T. Ayer, seconded by J. Theriault to accept the July 27, 2020 minutes. (6 Yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #6: BidAward, Recognitions & Appointments

a. Award of Snow Plowing Services Contract

No Motion made; Services will remain as they are with Public Works.

Council Agenda Item #7: New Business

a. Versant Pole Permit Request 2CARIBOU204700

Motion made by K. Kirkpatrick, seconded by D. Morrell to give approval to Versant for the Pole Permit for York Street. (6 Yes) So voted. Permit will extend Versant power lines for 350 feet along York.

Council Agenda Item #8: Old Business & Adoption of Ordinances and Resolutions

a. Resolution 07-01-2020, Amending the 2020 Expense Budget

Motion made by D. Morrell, seconded by H. Kirkpatrick to accept Resolution 07-01-2020, Amending the 2020 Expense Budget as \$170,000.01 (4 Yes, 2 No J. Theriault and N. Cote) So voted.

b. Resolution 08-01-2020, Amending the City's Façade Improvement Grant Program

Motion made by T. Ayer, seconded by J. Theriault to accept the Resolution 08-01-2020, Amending the City's Façade Improvement Grant Program as written. (6 Yes) So voted.

Manager Marker was directed to prepare a similar program for the Council to consider for businesses not located inside the downtown TIF district.

c. Introduction of Ordinance #04, 2020 Series, Amending Liquor Licensing Regulations

Deputy Mayor T. Ayer introduced Ordinance #04, 2020 Series, Amending Liquor Licensing Regulations

T. Ayer was excused from the meeting at 7:50p.m.

Council Agenda Item #9: Reports and Discussion by Mayor and Council Members

a. Review of City Investment Policy

Discussion regarding how the investment policy works and the state guidelines that must be followed. The guidelines are to be reviewed annually. Manager Marker was asked to discuss options with Mr. Hagelstein and coordinate a meeting with a local broker about options the city may have for reinvesting the \$3M previously in CDs.

b. Review of the City Policy on Disposition of Tax Acquired Property

Discussion regarding Tax Acquired Property procedures.

Council Agenda Item #10: City Manager's Report

Manager Marker reviewed the City Manager's Report dated August 20, 2020.

a. MDOT Proposal to Restripe Bennett Drive

Discussion regarding restriping Bennett Drive and the report from MaineDOT- Safety Office dated August 11, 2019. Bennett Drive may be restriped from a four-lane highway to a single lane in each direction with a center turn lane installed. MDOT safety department estimates a 69% reduction in crash rates with the changes. Councilor Kirkpatrick asked if reducing the lanes was wise since there are limited routes for traffic to the area. Manager Marker noted that the proposal is coming from the safety division of DOT and the facilities division has not approved the change. DOT is seeking public comments.

Council Agenda Item #11: Reports by Staff and Appointed Officials

Ken Murchison- Code Enforcement Officer: Spoke regarding tiny houses/ affordable housing and that the state is moving to recreational sales of marijuana.

Council Agenda Item #12: Executive Session(s)

b. Real Estate and Economic Development Activities under §405(6)C

Motion made by H. Kirkpatrick, seconded by J. Theriault to enter executive session at 8:34p.m. under Real Estate and Economic Development Activities under §405(6)C. (5 Yes) So voted.

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Council exited executive session at 8:55p.m.

No action was taken.

Council Agenda Item #13: Next Meeting(s): September 8, 15, & 21

Council Agenda Item #14: Adjournment

Motion made by D. Morrell, seconded by H. Kirkpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 8:55p.m. (5 Yes) So voted

Danielle Brissette, Secretary