

**COUNCIL MINUTES OF  
MAY 12, 2016**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mike Blake, Fred Sherburne, Mark Robichaud, Ron Apel, Alan Wintle, Sharon Grant, Marcia Delaware

**STAFF PRESENT:** Shelley Watson, Kim Hughes, Marilyn Curtis, Mike Gudroe, Steve Gudroe, Warren Ackerman, Susan Page, Matt Connor, Kevin Wintle, Anita Colomy

The Invocation was led by **Sean Sherburne** followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. PUBLIC HEARING**

*1. Application for Victualer's License for Noreen O'Brien doing business as Snowflakes II, 15 Main Street*

NO COMMENTS

**II. MINUTES**

*1. Approve/Amend Council Minutes of April 14, 2016*

**Motion to Approve:** Ron Apel

**Second:** Fred Sherburne

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*2. Approve/Amend Council Minutes of May 2, 2016*

**Motion to Approve:** Fred Sherburne

**Second:** Marcia Delaware

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

**III. NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS, & ELECTIONS**

*1. Approve/Sign SAD #46 Election Warrant*

**Motion to Approve:** Marcia Delaware

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*1. Manager's Report*

**Shelley Watson** started by announcing that the anniversary celebration for Dexter's incorporation is on Friday, June 17 at the Town Hall and it is the exact date of the Town's original incorporation. The proclamation will be read, there will be cake in the dining room of the Town Hall, and everyone is welcome. **Ms Watson** pointed out the picture hanging on the Council Chambers wall and stated that the Town was recognized in the Bangor Metro so the picture is a collage of the photos and articles. **Ms. Watson** and **Eric Campbell** met with Corinna's Town Manager, **Serena Bemis-Goodall**, and their Public Works Director to discuss some cost sharing and job assistance between the Towns. The two Towns will assist each other with hauling winter sand which is why the Dexter trucks will occasionally be in Corinna. **Ms. Watson** stated that she, **Marilyn**, and **Kim** attended **Roland Clukey's** funeral services yesterday to represent the Town and to honor **Mr. Clukey** as a past holder of the Boston Post Cane. Budget meetings are on-going and the Council has some really difficult decisions in front of them. The cemetery crew have been enjoying the antics of a mother fox and her four kits. The

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hiring committee for the summer camp councilors met to review the applications and are hoping to do interviews next week. There is a great group of candidates so it is going to be a difficult decision. **Ms. Watson** closed by thanking the Plummer Foundation for the generous donation that they gave towards the summer camp which will allow for a fifth summer councilor with some extra money for incidentals.

*2. Departmental Reports*

NO QUESTIONS

*3. Order A2016-28 Victualer's License for Noreen O'Brien doing business as Snowflakes II, 15 Main Street*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the Victualer's License for Noreen O'Brien doing business as Snowflakes II *upon the successful final inspection and approval from the Code Enforcement Officer.*

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**MARCIA DELAWARE**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Marcia Delaware** asked **Ms. O'Brien** what her plans are for the space and she replied that the it is going to take her longer than she anticipated to get up and running but that she plans on having a small café with a couple of lunch specials each day along with breakfast. She also intends on having baked goods and really good coffee.

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*4. Continued Discussion on Acceptance of Late Payments for Tax Acquired Properties from April 14, 2016 Council Meeting*

**Marcia Delaware** stated that she thought the Council needed to get back to the way the Code Book is written and that when the final deadline has passed, all three years of taxes should be collected along with interest and lien costs. She feels that several Town Managers ago things changed but the Council needs to go back to the way the Ordinance reads. She also stated that she did not know if the Town could collect two more years of taxes now from those that had made one year late payments that had been accepted at the last meeting. **Mike Blake** did not think that the other two years could be demanded at this point. **Sharon Grant** agreed that the Council should go forward from this point on. **Mike Blake** asked how the tax money was coming in now and **Marilyn Curtis** stated very well and that the tax club had more activity this year than last. **Alan Wintle** expressed concern with the patterns that are forming when the Council is not treating all properties the same and that the Code should be followed from now on and that notices should be sent. **Mike Blake** suggested that **Marilyn Curtis** draft a letter advising those with outstanding taxes that in the future, all three years of taxes would be due for any accounts that miss the final payment deadline. The rest of the Council agreed that letters should be mailed and that any future taxes should be collected according to the Town Code.

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**V. NEW BUSINESS**

*1. Resolution B2016-03 Penobscot County Hazard Mitigation Plan*

**Resolved, by the Town of Dexter that:**

Whereas, natural and man-made disasters may occur at any time, we recognize that to lessen the impacts of these disasters we will save resources, property, and lives in Penobscot County;

And whereas the creation of a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is necessary for the development of a risk assessment and effective mitigation strategy;

And whereas, this multi-jurisdictional county of 3 cities, 52 towns, 4 plantations and a portion of Maine’s Unorganized Territory is committed to the mitigation goals and measures as presented in this plan;

Therefore the City Councils and Boards of Selectmen of the Incorporated Towns and Plantations hereby adopt the Penobscot County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan – 2016 Update; and

Therefore, the Penobscot County Commissioners, acting on behalf of the County and its portion of the Unorganized Territory hereby adopt the Penobscot County Hazard Mitigation Plan – 2016 Update.

Authorizing Signatures

**Town of Dexter**

_____	_____	_____
Michael Blake	Position	Date
_____	_____	_____
Fred Sherburne	Position	Date
_____	_____	_____
Mark Robichaud	Position	Date
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Ron Apel	Position	Date
_____	_____	_____
Sharon Grant	Position	Date
_____	_____	_____
Alan Wintle	Position	Date

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Marcia Delaware

Position

Date

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**SHARON GRANT**

**Second:** Marcia Delaware

**Ron Apel** asked if there was any cost to the Town for the Plan and the answer was “no – it is just a formality”. **Fred Sherburne** asked if this is parallel to FEMA and **Matt Connor** replied that there is money out there for Towns with recognized hazard plans and those who have assessed their risks. There could be funding or grants for projects that the Town needs to do in the future. **Shelley Watson** stated that it addresses the Town’s Emergency Action Plan and Emergency Management Plan. There is a list of telephone numbers for the Emergency Operations Manager which is **Matt Connor** and **Rick Stocker** along with some of the Councilors and the Police Chief.

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*2. Order A2016-29 Renewal of Victualer’s Licenses*

**BE IT ORDERED,** that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the Victualer’s License renewals as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUSINESS</u>
A E ROBINSON	A E ROBINSON CONVENIENCE STORE
BRENDA BROOKS	ALL ABOARD RESTAURANT
JOHN HERETAKIS	DEXTER HOUSE OF PIZZA
GERALD NESSMAN	NESSI'S ICE CREAM SHOP
MARK STEPHENS	THE BREWSTER INN
HOMESTEAD ENTERPRISES	BUD'S SHOP & SAVE
JAMES COSTEDIO, JR	DEXTER MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE
ROBERT GRANT	DEXTER VARIETY
ALLEN BROWN	NOAH'S LANDING
VINCENT SAWYER	TOOT'S DELICATESSEN
ZHEN YUN DONG	CHINA GARDENS
COLLEEN BAILEY	DUNKIN DONUTS
WHITE MOUNTAIN SUBS	SUBWAY
DONALD SMITH, JR	MOOSEHEAD TRAIL MOTOR LODGE
ADRIAN CRONKHITE	FACTORY ONE

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**ALAN WINTLE**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Alan Wintle** asked if licenses could be held back when taxes were not current. **Susan Page** stated that it was discussed in a class that she attended recently that some Towns do have Ordinances where they do not give licenses to businesses that are not up to date on taxes and **Mike Blake** asked her to provide the Council with more information.

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*3. Order A2016-30 Renewal of InnKeeper's Licenses*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the Innkeeper's License renewals as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUSINESS</u>
MARK STEPHENS	THE BREWSTER INN
DAVID PALMER	TAYLOR EDES INN
DONALD SMITH, JR	MOOSEHEAD TRAIL MOTOR LODGE

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**FRED SHERBURNE**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*4. Order A2016-31 Renewal of Poolroom Licenses*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the Poolroom License renewals as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUSINESS</u>
DONALD SMITH, JR	MOOSEHEAD TRAIL MOTOR LODGE
ADRIAN CRONKHITE	FACTORY ONE

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**RON APEL**

**Second:** Fred Sherburne

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

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*5. Order A2016-32 Renewal of Tavern Keeper License*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the Tavern Keeper License renewal as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUSINESS</u>
ADRIAN CRONKHITE	FACTORY ONE

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**MARK ROBICHAUD**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*6. Order A2016-33 Renewal of Taxi Licenses*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the Taxi License renewals as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BUSINESS</u>
JEFFREY GETCHELL	ROADRUNNER TAXI, LLC

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**MARCIA DELAWARE**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*7. Order A2016-34 Off-Premise Catering License for Factory One*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the off-premise catering license for Adrien Cronkhite doing business as Factory One for the Maine Red Hot Dog Festival on August 13, 2016.

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**SHARON GRANT**

**Second:** Marcia Delaware

**Mike Blake** asked what he was going to be catering and the reply was that it was going to be a beer tent. It was explained that the permit is for State approval and is good for the one event.

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*8. Order A2016-35 Date Change for June Council Meeting*

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**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby changes the June Council Meeting from Thursday, June 9 at 7:00PM to Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00PM due to a conflict in attending the MSAD #46 District Budget Meeting.

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**ALAN WINTLE**

**Second:** Marcia Delaware

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*9. Order A2016-36 Sale of 2008 Columbia Mower*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the bid from Matt McKusick in the amount of \$ 656.00 for the 2008 Columbia Mower #1D248G20233 with all proceeds going to the repair of the 2001 John Deere 325 mower.

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**FRED SHERBURNE**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*10. Order A2016-37 Sale of 1995 John Deere Mower*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the bid from Tom Hartford in the amount of \$ 376.00 for the 1995 John Deere 325 Mower #M00325B011767 with all proceeds going to the repair of the 2001 John Deere 325 mower.

Filed May 12, 2016  
**RON APEL**

**Second:** Marcia Delaware

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*11. Order A2016-38 Sale of 2005 John Deere Mower*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the bid from Matt McKusick in the amount of \$ 252.00 for the 2005 John Deere Z-Trak Mower Model 717A with all proceeds going to the repair of the 2001 John Deere 325 mower.

Filed May 12, 2016  
**MARK ROBICHAUD**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*12. Order A2016-39 Sale of 2010 John Deere Mower*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the bid from

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Eric Campbell in the amount of \$ 630.00 for the 2010 John Deere Mower Model LA 105 #GXA105A347036 with all proceeds going to the repair of the 2001 John Deere 325 mower.

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**MARCIA DELAWARE**

**Second:** Ron Apel  
**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*13. Order A2016-40 Closure of Municipal Parking Lot for Kiwanis Cruise-In*  
**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the closure of the municipal parking lot behind Bangor Savings Bank on August 6, 2016 with a rain date of August 27, 2016 from 1PM to 8PM for the Kiwanis Cruise-In.

Filed May 12, 2016  
**SHARON GRANT**

**Second:** Marcia Delaware  
**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*14. Order A2016-41 Recreation Committee Yard Sale*  
**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the Recreation Committee to hold a yard sale to sell unused sports equipment with the proceeds to go towards the purchase of new Recreation Department uniforms.

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**ALAN WINTLE**

**Second:** Marcia Delaware  
**Marcia Delaware** asked what kind of equipment would be in the sale and the reply was things like old bats, gloves, softballs, catcher's equipment and other items that have been sitting around in storage for quite awhile.  
**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*15. Order A2016-42 Approval of Paving Inspector*  
**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the proposal presented by Asphalt Pavement Technologies, LLC for paving inspection at a cost of \$ 60.00 per hour and mileage expenses.

Filed May 12, 2016  
**FRED SHERBURNE**

**Second:** Ron Apel  
**Shelley Watson** stated that she received five proposals that are quite varied from \$88 per hour down to \$60 per hour. She explained several of the options and recommended Asphalt Pavement Technologies, LLC as the most reasonable at \$60 per hour and \$.56 a mile. The mileage will be

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charged from Lagrange to Dexter and for travel in Town but will not be billed for the mileage to return back to Lagrange. **Ms. Watson** said the company has been recommended by Phil Curtis of Maine Local Roads and also by Matt Connor.

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*16. Order A2016-43 Sale of Tax Acquired Property*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the sale of tax acquired property per Section 2-197 of the Town Code of Ordinances:

OWNER'S NAME	MAP/LOT	LOCATION	ACTION
Nadeau, Dana	M7/L18	78 Pleasant Street	To be sold

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**RON APEL**

**Second:** Mark Robichaud

**Marilyn Curtis** stated that she had talked with the State concerning the property and they are not going to pursue a claim because in their opinion there are too many people involved and the State does not want to have to clear up any of the other issues involved. **Shelley Watson** explained that the decision from the State came a day or so after the last meeting so it was decided not to advertise twice for the sale of property because of the cost involved. By the Council voting to sell the property, one advertisement for the six properties can be done with one deadline for the bids.

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*17. Order A2016-44 Transfer of Money for Cemetery Truck*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the Finance Officer to transfer up to \$7,000 from the Cemetery Equipment Reserve Account #E130-05-511-06 to Cemetery Equipment Account #11301-50710 for the purchase of a crew cab truck at the State Auction. Be it further ordered that the Dexter Town Council authorizes the sale of the 1998 Chevy 1500 truck with the proceeds to be deposited to the Cemetery Equipment Reserve Account.

Filed May 12, 2016

**MARK ROBICHAUD**

**Second:** Ron Apel

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*18. Approve/Sign Quit Claim Deed for Enrico Dicensoo, Jr.*

**Motion to approve:** Fred Sherburne

**Second:** Ron Apel

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**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

**Motion:** Ron Apel made a motion to add Order A2016-45 and a Proposed Ordinance

**Second:** Fred Sherburne

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*19. Order A2016-45 Transfer of Funds for Fire Department Equipment Repair*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the Finance Officer to transfer up to \$6,500 from Fire Department Equipment Reserve Account E13005-51110 to Fire Department Account E10403-50501 Municipal Vehicle Repairs to replace the radiator in Truck 472 the 1992 E One Custom.

Filed May 12, 2016

**MARCIA DELAWARE**

**Second:** Sharon Grant

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*20. Proposed Ordinance for Transfer of Money for Legal Expenses*

**BE IT ORDAINED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the Finance Officer to move money from the general fund to cover all necessary legal costs incurred through June 30, 2016 to Town Council Legal Account 10201-50450.

**VI. PUBLIC FORUM**

**Marcia Delaware** stated that she had been thinking a lot about the budget and the possible loss of tax dollars. When the Town had the joint meeting with Corinna and talked about cost sharing, Corinna mentioned that one way of saving is having the Sheriff's Office patrol the Town one week and then the State Police patrol the next week. She thought about the \$282,000 paid to Penobscot County and wondered if the Town could utilize them in a way to save the Town money and if a fact-finding committee should be formed to study what, if anything, they can provide to the Town. **Warren Ackerman** stated that the Town's people are never going to see the Sherriff's Department. They are hardly ever seen in Dexter or Corinna and late at night there are no Sherriff's Deputies out on the road so response time to an incident is going to be 30 to 40 minutes rather than 2 to 3 minutes response with Dexter PD. **Alan Wintle** asked why the Town is looking into using the Sherriff's Department and **Mike Blake** replied that they are just looking into ways to be more economical and still do what is best for the Town. **Mr. Wintle** stated that he did not think it was a good idea because of the response time. **Fred Sherburne** thought it would be worth exploring the options and do the comparisons. **Kevin Wintle** stated that the Sheriff's Office is sometimes depending on the Dexter Police in the middle of the night because Dexter can get there quicker. **Mike Blake** asked if the Town bills for that and **Mr. Wintle** replied "no" that it is an agency assist. **Sharon Grant** stated that Corinna has a population that is half of Dexter's and cannot afford a Police Department and **Warren Ackerman** stated that the Town would probably see a spike in burglaries and other crimes. It was decided that the Council should have a workshop with the Sheriff's Office to open up a conversation.

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**Ron Apel** stated that he had been talking with some people at Revision Energy about possibly getting some solar panels for Dexter. They had a preliminary meeting where they came out and looked at some possible sites for installation and came up with the Police Station and the new maintenance garage. That could generate enough power to take care of about 25% of what the Town uses for the Municipal buildings. The panels would be at no cost or a very small cost for the Town with a six year lease. The roof space would be leased and the electricity sold which would generate about \$10,000 per year. At the end of six years, the Town can renew the lease or buy the installations. **Mike Blake** asked about the end of the six years and **Mr. Apel** answered that typically the equipment is guaranteed for 25 years and most go 40 years so the payback time should be about 15 years. **Alan Wintle** thought solar would be a good idea and **Fred Sherburne** stated he was at the meeting and it all sounds like a win/win situation with a good track record. Initially they thought more panels could be mounted but the Town does not have the roof space for more. Unfortunately, the Town just had a new roof put on the highway garage and the fire station so penetrating those roofs is not an option and there is a ground mount option but it is more expensive. **Mr. Apel** ended by stating that he thought it was worth pursuing especially since there has been no cost to the Town so far.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

NONE

**Motion to Adjourn at 8:14PM:** Ron Apel

**Second:** Alan Wintle

**Vote:** Unanimous in favor, motion passes

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim M. Hughes  
Town Clerk