

**COUNCIL MINUTES OF  
FEBRUARY 14, 2019**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Peter Haskell, Fred Sherburne, Sharon Grant, Mark Robichaud, Marcia Delaware, Chuck Ellms, Steve Gudroe

**STAFF PRESENT:** Susan Page, Shannon Hall, Juli Kimball, Matt Connor

The Invocation was led by **Pastor Andrew Bermudez** followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. PUBLIC HEARING**

*1. Ordinance C2019-1 Transfer of Money for Police Department*

**Trampas King** explained that this is to pay the Town of Orono for the buyout of Officer Day with the money we received from the Town of Holden for Officer Day.

*2. Order A2019-4 New Victualers License for Suhit Patel dba Dexter Variety, 171 Spring Street*  
No Comments

**II. MINUTES**

*1. Approve/Amend Council Minutes of January 10, 2019*

Motion to Approve: **Sharon Grant**

Second: **Steve Gudroe**

Vote: Unanimous, motion passes

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

None

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*1. Manager's Report*

**Trampas King** thanked the road crew for all their hard work and also the Police and Fire Departments. **Mr. King** reported that he met with **Andrew Bermudez** for an update on the Work Camp in July. They have received about 85 applications but would like 20 – 30 more as some will not qualify. **Mr. King** stated that some of the Council went to the **DRC** meeting and he feels that they are on the same page. **Mr. King** told the Council that he had a very good meeting with the Piscataquis Chamber of Commerce in Dover-Foxcroft.

**Fred Sherburne** told **Mr. King** that he has had several positive comments on the updates that he has been putting on social media.

*2. Departmental Reports*

No comments

*3. Ordinance 2019-1 Transfer of Money for Police Department*

**BE IT ORDAINED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the Finance Officer to transfer \$12,000 of unanticipated revenue from the Town of Holden for the buyout of Steven Day from Account #R116-01-400-50 to Officer Buyout Account #E104-01-501-99 for final payment to the City of Orono for Officer Steven Day.

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**CHUCK ELLMS**

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Motion to approve: **Chuck Ellms**

Second: **Fred Sherburne**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*4. Order A2019-4 New Victualer's License for Suhit Patel dba Dexter Variety*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the new Victualer's License for Suhit Patel doing business as Dexter Variety, 179 Spring Street subject to the final inspection and approval from the State and local authorities.

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**MARCIA DELAWARE**

Motion to Approve: **Marcia Delaware**

Second: **Sharon Grant**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*5. Update on Mayo Hospital Merger from HAD 4 Member Mark McNaughton*

**Mark McNaughton**, HAD 4 member, informed the Council that he will be reporting any updates on a monthly basis. **Mr. McNaughton** stated that they are at a standstill right now and **Jim Wiley** is leading the negotiations.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

*1. Order A2019-5 Tax Payment Extension*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council, pursuant to Chapter 2, Administration; Article VII Sec. 2-192 of the Dexter Code of Ordinances, hereby extends until March 7, 2019 the time period for owners of record and lien holders to bring their accounts current. Owners of record and lien holders are required to make full payment of all property taxes and costs assessed against properties that have tax liens that mature on February 7, 2019. Municipal Quit Claim deeds will be issued at the April 11, 2019 meeting on properties that have satisfied full payment of their taxes. Action will be taken to dispose of any remaining properties with outstanding tax balances with matured liens.

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**SHARON GRANT**

Second: **Marcia Delaware**

**Trampas King** stated that we had 22 accounts this year which is the most we have had in a while. **Jill Jones** asked what the accounts were. **Mr. King** said they were accounts that owed three years of taxes that had matured liens.

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

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*2. Order A2019-6 Renewal of Liquor License for James Costedio*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the renewal of the Malt Liquor License for James Costedio, Jr. doing business as the Dexter Municipal Golf Course.

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**FRED SHERBURNE**

Second: **Mark Robichaud**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*3. Order A2019-7 Signing of Contract with Stantec*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes Trampas King to sign a five year contract with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for airport planning and engineering services as recommended by the Airport Committee.

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**MARK ROBICHAUD**

Second: **Steve Gudroe**

**Trampas King** told the Council that due to FAA regulations an RFQ had to be done. Dubois & King and Stantec were the two that submitted bids. Members of the Airport Committee and Council evaluated the bids with score sheets and Stantec was picked with a vote of 4 – 2.

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*4. Order A2019-8 Abatement of Taxes*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby abates the uncollectible real estate taxes on the following accounts:

Account #1627, Map 101-025-H, 397 Ripley Road totaling **\$849.04**  
2016-1 in the amount of \$141.40  
2017-1 in the amount of \$385.33  
2018-1 in the amount of \$322.31

Account #115, Map 005-050-R28, 28 Christopher Road totaling **\$466.57**  
2016-1 in the amount of \$181.86  
2017-1 in the amount of \$169.89  
2018-1 in the amount of \$114.82

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**STEVE GUDROE**

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Second: **Mark Robichaud**

**Trampas King** explained that the Ripley Road property burned down right before Christmas and the trailer on the Christopher would have to be a tear down and would cost more to remove it than it is worth.

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*5. Discussion on New Welcome to Dexter Signs*

**Trampas King** informed the Council that the **DRC** would like to buy a new welcome to Dexter sign and put it down by P & L Market. **Mr. King** showed the Council some pictures and quotes that he had gotten. The signs also incorporate the Red Hotdog Festival with an additional sign that is removable.

**VI. PUBLIC FORUM**

**Steve Gudroe** asked **Trampas King** about the issues with ice shacks too close to shore. **Mr. King** stated that **Al Tempesta** has been making people move them back and they will be fined if they continue or don't move. **Mr. King** stated that **Mr. Tempesta** has been going out on the ice with the Police to enforce the rules.

**Jill Jones** asked what the status is of 121 Main Street. **Trampas King** stated that the Council went back to the original bids and went with the second lowest bidder, **Ralph McNaughton**, because the lowest bidder had withdrawn. **Mr. McNaughton** will be tearing it down and will coordinate with the fire department to burn it.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

Motion to Adjourn at 7:40: **Fred Sherburne**

Second: **Chuck Ellms**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan E. Page  
Town Clerk