



Town of Windham

Town Offices
8 School Road
Windham, Maine

Meeting Minutes - Final

Town Council

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

I. Roll Call of Members.

Present: 5 - Tim Nangle, Bob Muir, Donna Chapman, Clayton Haskell and Rebecca Cummings

Absent: 2 - Dennis Welch and Jarrod Maxfield

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Chair Chapman led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

XII. Discussion Items.

[CD 18-027](#) Highland Lake Watershed Moratorium on Certain Development Activities.

Attachments: [Cover Sheet CD 18-027](#)

[Moratorium on Highland Lake development to Council 20180328](#)

The town manager made brief remarks about the background of the moratorium, its adoption in September 2017 and extension in late February. Because it was extended as an emergency ordinance, a public hearing and vote have to be held within 60 days and are scheduled for April 24. The manager outlined some changes developed with staff input to limit the moratorium to subdivision and site plan applications that had not received final approval before September 5, 2017 and the construction of new private roads.

Councilor Chapman expanded the discussion to include a proposed quarry near Forest Lake where part of the property where the quarry would be located also falls within the Highland Lake watershed, and invited public input.

Many members of the public spoke, expressing concerns about the impact of quarrying on nearby wetlands, Forest Lake, ground water, wildlife habitat, public safety, and their quality of life.

During Council comment, Councilors expressed their appreciation for people's attendance and comments, concerns about the effect of development, and willingness to at least consider a moratorium on mineral extraction until standards in the town's ordinances can be reviewed.

[CD 18-082](#) Phosphorus fertilizer ban.

Attachments: [Cover Sheet CD 18-082](#)

[Maine DEP web site re. Phosphorus-Free Fertilizer](#)

[38 MRSA 419 re. use of phosphate containing agents and fertilizers](#)

The Council discussed ideas about prohibiting the use of phosphorus-containing fertilizers out of a concern about surface water quality. The sense of the Council was that some kind of public education and awareness effort would be more effective than trying to apply further regulations.

[CD 18-084](#)

Council rules discussion regarding conduct, social media use, staff communications.

Attachments: [Cover Sheet CD 18-084](#)

[Council Rules with Conduct, Social Media, Bullying Amendments](#)

[20180328](#)

[Charter](#)

[Workplace Bullying Policy](#)

[Yarmouth Council rules adopted 2.15.18 jsd 2.26.18](#)

This discussion was postponed to a later date due to not all members of the Council being present.

XIII. Agendas & Scheduling.

[CD 18-109](#)

Agenda Items Reports.

Attachments: [Agenda Items Scheduled 20180322](#)

[Agenda Items to be Scheduled 20180322](#)

[Projects & Issues List 20180322](#)

[Projects & Issues Sheets 20180322](#)

Budget meetings are coming up, and will be scheduled for the same days of the week as much as possible. The discussion on sprinklers will be moved due to school vacation. Waste management issues are scheduled for discussion on May 1st.

XIV. ADJOURN.

A motion was made by Council Chair Chapman, seconded by Councilor Nangle, that they be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 5 - Councilor Nangle, Vice Chair Muir, Council Chair Chapman, Councilor Haskell and Councilor Cummings

Absent: 2 - Councilor Welch and Councilor Maxfield

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony T. Plante
Town Manager