



Town Council Regular Session

December 4, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Town Council Chambers

MINUTES

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Conley convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Councilor White led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: Council Chair Katanna Conley, Council Vice-chair Brian Ward, Councilor Scott Blackstone, Councilor Joe LaMattina, Councilor Sonke Dornblut, Councilor Colin White, Councilor Justin Glazebrook.

Staff Present: Town Manager Stephen Fournier, Environmental Services Director Sean Greig and Wendy Chase Recording Secretary.

3. Public Forum

Chair Conley opened the Public Forum at 7:03 PM.

Chair Conley closed the Public Forum at 7:03 PM without comment

4. Town Council to Consider Acceptance of Minutes

a. November 20, 2024 Non-public Minutes

Motion: **Councilor Ward** made a motion to approve the November 20, 2024 Non-public Minutes

Second: **Councilor LaMattina**

Vote: **Motion Approved (6-0-1)** Councilor White abstained.

b. November 20, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion: **Councilor White** made a motion to approve the November 20, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Second: **Councilor Ward**

Vote: **Unanimously Approved (7-0-0)**

5. Report of the Town Manager

Town Manager Fournier and staff had a productive meeting with the Department of Transportation (NH DOT) regarding the town taking over a portion of the state road from the lights at the intersection of Routes 108 and 152 to Grant Road. NH DOT was receptive, and they will continue discussions with the town.

The December 5th Highway Public Safety Committee meeting was canceled due to inclement weather. A meeting will be rescheduled for next week on site on Central Street.

The town and school budgets will be presented to the Budget Committee at their

Monday, December 9th meeting at 6:30 pm in the auditorium.

The 36th annual tree lighting ceremony will be on Saturday, December 7th at 5:00 PM at Arbor Park. Chair Conley will be a speaker at the ceremony.

6. Committee Reports

Councilor Glazebrook reported on the Arts, Culture & Tourism Commission's December 3rd meeting.

The Commission discussed upcoming projects with a focus on the library mural and hope to have a proposal by the January meeting. The Strafford Regional Planning Commission will meet with some of the members to review the draft of the Master Plan chapter.

7. Old Business

8. Resolutions/Ordinances in the 2nd Reading

a. Resolution # 2024/2025 - 24 Water & Sewer Metal Storage Building

Motion: **Councilor Ward** made a motion to approve Resolution # 2024/2025 - 24 Water & Sewer Metal Storage Building

Second: **Councilor Dornblut**

Discussion: Environmental Services Director Greig explained that the proposed storage building is located behind the ambulance garage.

Vote: **Unanimously Approved (7-0-0)**

9. New Business/Correspondence

a. Correspondence to the Town Council

There was no correspondence to the Council.

b. Closing Comments by Town Councilors

Councilor Blackstone commented on the Christmas lights in town; it gives the town a good feel.

Councilor Dornblut thanked the Public Works Department on the great job they are doing on the extended sidewalk project on South Main Street.

c. Next Meeting

i. December 18, 2024

10. Adjournment

Chair Conley adjourned the meeting at 7:20 PM without objection.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy V. Chase, Recording Secretary