

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Aldermen Minutes
Monday, October 20, 2014

Members present; President Allaire, Aldermen Kiernan, Humphrey, Notte, Donahue, Siliski, Brodowski, Larson, Bloomer, DePoy and Davis. Also present, Attorney Romeo and Clerk Heck.

President Allaire called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (October 6th & 15th , 2014)

A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to approve the minutes of the previous meetings.

Motion passed.

OUTSIDE THE RAIL

No one spoke outside the rail.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Untable Mayoral Appointment; Allan Shelvey, Zoning Administrator

The President noted the request and asked for a motion to untable the nomination. The request was so moved and seconded (Davis, Notte) **Motion passed.** The President noted a motion to circulate the ballot box would be in order. The request was so moved and seconded (Davis, Notte) **Motion passed.** Clerk Heck collected the votes and presented them to Attorney Romeo.

President Allaire moved on with the agenda item.

Board of Health Appointments

President Allaire noted a request from Mayor Louras to table the nominations of three people for the Board of Health. They included Dr. Mark Messier, Mary Nemeth, and Courtney Collins. A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to table the nominees until the next BOA meeting. **Motion passed.** There was brief debate on the correct name of Courtney Collins and a request for contact information on all nominees.

President Allaire then read the results of the vote for Allan Shelvey as Zoning Administrator. 9 YES and 2 NO, Alan Shelvey is appointed as Zoning Administrator.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

President Allaire noted a request from Chief Schlachter to add a request for the transfer of 48 hrs. of annual leave to his 2015 total. A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to add this request to the agenda. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS AND LETTERS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND OFFICIALS

Treasurer Wilton; Treasurer's Report First Qtr. FY 2015

Treasurer Wilton was not present to present her findings. A motion was made and seconded (DePoy, Larson) to receive and file the emailed information. **Motion passed.**

Dave Allaire; Addison Rutland Natural Gas Project

This issue was moved to the Petitions, Letters and Miscellaneous Communications portion of the agenda.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Melinda Humphrey Chair; Recreation Committee, White's Pool

Alderman Humphrey read a very detailed and thorough report on a request to amend and expand the Wiemann Lamphere contract scope at Giorgetti Park, to review the White's Pool analysis and to discuss the Giorgetti scoping study. At the end of her report, Alderman Humphrey moved a motion presented by Alderman Siliski in committee to recommend to authorize up to \$36K from the Giorgetti Trust for the purpose of a costing/design study of a municipal pool which would be located at the Giorgetti Facility. The study shall include both indoor and outdoor pool facility options. This motion was seconded by Alderman DePoy. Debate.

There was a lot of debate on the issue/motion with several Aldermen showing strong support for a pool but not necessarily the funding source. There was a question as to if the Giorgetti Fund could be used as a funding source for the scoping study. Alderman Davis asked the City Attorney to research that request. As debate continued, a request was noted for a potential amendment if the vote passed. As the debate concluded, President Allaire asked if there was any other debate. Prior to an answer, a request for a roll call vote was requested by Alderman Notte. Alderman Humphrey asked if the motion passed and the Attorney found the request to be invalid per the Giorgetti document what would happen. Attorney Romeo noted that the motion would be null and void, and the committee would need to find other funding for the scope work.

President Allaire noted the request for a roll call vote and asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Alderman Kiernan		NO
Alderman Humphrey	YES	
Alderman Notte		NO
Alderman Donahue		NO
Alderman Siliski	YES	
Alderman Brodowski	YES	
Alderman Larson	YES	
Alderman Bloomer	YES	
Alderman DePoy	YES	
Alderman Davis	YES	

President Allaire read the results, 7 YES and 3 NO. Motion **passed**.

Alderman Davis then asked for the City Attorney to revisit the language in the Giorgetti Trust Fund and to determine the use of this fund for this purpose is not in violation of the agreement. This request was seconded by Alderman DePoy. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

There were no reports from any select committees

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

There were no representative reports.

PETITIONS, LETTERS, MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION

Dave Allaire; Addison Rutland Natural Gas Project

President Allaire introduced the issue stating that Vermont Gas was looking for two (2) delegates from Rutland City to be part of an multi-town advisory board. The function of the board is to help identify a potential route or routes for the third phase of the Addison Rutland Natural Gas Project. A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Davis) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Notte, Davis) to authorize the BOA President to name two (2) representatives. **Motion passed.**

Chief Schlachter, Request to Carryover 48hrs of Annual Leave

President Allaire read the request from Chief Schlachter. A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Notte) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Davis, DePoy) to move for the approval. **Motion passed.**

BOARD OF CONTROL COMMISSIONERS

There were no issues to come before the Board of Control Commissioners.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

OT Request from Alderman Davis; Fire Department Officers Overtime, Chief Schlachter

Chief Schlachter reviewed the handouts presented to the Board. As the Chief went line by line the Board started to question some of the electrical work that was done by fire personnel. A motion was made and seconded (Larson, Davis) to refer the issue of Officer OT back to the Public Safety Committee. There was brief debate on the referral. **Motion passed.**

Poor Farm Lease Request, Alderman Larson

Attorney Romeo responded to the request of Alderman Larson on the lease of the Poor Farm to Grow Solar. Attorney Romeo reviewed all the dates associated with the lease and even contacted Grow Solar as to where they stood in the permit process. The company stated they were waiting on their certificate of public good and should start the project in early spring.

PD Union Contract

President Allaire reviewed the history of the action taken to date on the PD contract. The President asked if there were any other questions or concerns. Seeing none, the President asked if the Board was ready to take action on the Police Contract. A motion was made and seconded (Donahue, Davis) to suspend the rules and take the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Siliski, Donahue) approving the proposed Police Department Union Contract going into effect July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2016 and to authorize the Mayor to sign. Alderman Davis asked for a roll call vote. Prior to the roll call there was brief debate from Alderman Donahue. Attorney Romeo answered the question of Alderman Donahue and the President asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Alderman Kiernan		NO
Alderman Humphrey	YES	
Alderman Notte		NO
Alderman Donahue	YES	
Alderman Siliski	YES	
Alderman Brodowski	YES	
Alderman Larson	YES	
Alderman Bloomer	YES	
Alderman DePoy	YES	
Alderman Davis	YES	

President Allaire read the results, 8 YES and 2 NO. **Motion passed.**

MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Larson presented a heat density chart on parolee locations within the City.

At 8:15 PM a motion was made and seconded to adjourn (Davis, Larson). **Motion passed**

Respectfully Submitted,

Henry A. Heck

Rutland City Clerk