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NOVEMBER 20, 2017**

Roll Call: Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. All Councilors were present.

A. Acceptance of Minutes

Beecher moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Fox. The motion passed 7-0.

B. Communications from City Manager

Update from Superintendent Ken Kunin regarding the status of the Middle School Project.
City Manager Scott Morelli mentioned the Police Department accreditation notice.
City Manager Scott Morelli addressed concerns and complaints about the recent Household Waste drop off-event and ideas of how the event can be improved in the future.

C. Reports from Boards and Committees

Henderson shared an update of the Metro Colation and addressing homelessness; and an update on the Smart Corridor committee addressing street traffic.
Beecher shared an update on the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, encouraging those who received surveys to return them; an update from ecomaine on grants for schools to implement recycling programs.
Smith addressed the upcoming meeting of the O'Neil Street committee, held on 11/30 at 6:30pm.

D. Petitions and Communications

E. Appointment Calendar

1. ORDER #114-15/16 – Board of Assessment Review, District Two (Smith), for an unexpired term which expires on 03/16/19. Postponed since 03/21/16. Passage requires majority vote.

Smith moved to postpone, seconded by Beecher. The motion passed 7-0.

2. ORDER #112-16/17 – Board of Assessment Review, District Five (Fox), for a term which expires 12/31/19. Postponed since 1/4/17. Passage requires majority vote.

Fox moved to postpone, seconded by Beecher. The motion passed 7-0.

3. ORDER #75-17/18 – Arts & Historic Preservation Committee, District Two (Smith), for an unexpired term which expires 10/20/18. Passage requires majority vote.

Smith moved to postpone, seconded by Morgan. The motion passed 7-0.

4. ORDER #87-17/18 – Energy & Recycling Committee, District Five (Fox), appointing for an expired term which expires on 05/05/18. Passage requires majority vote.

Fox moved to postpone, seconded by Beecher. The motion passed 7-0.

F. Consent Calendar

G. Citizen Discussion (First Part)

Russ Lunt, Brigham St.

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H. Public Hearings and Action

5. ORDER #88-17/18 – Establishing the new AVESTA Westbrook Street One Municipal Affordable Housing Development Tax Increment Financing District and approving the Associated Development Program. Passage requires majority vote.

City Manager Scott Morelli introduced the item and introduced Shana Cook Mueller to speak about the item. Shana Cook-Mueller, Bernstein Shur, presented information about TIFs and described the differences in this project from other TIF projects. One of the major differences is that for this TIF project, the City portion of TIF funds can be used for education costs.

Tyler Norod, AVESTA, spoke on the specifics of the TIF request. This project would be for the full 30 years with 100% capture. The ground floor (for retail space) will not be included in the TIF. The TIF allows to pay for construction costs. The TIF projects helps support the scoring guide that the State uses to decide which projects receive funding; a TIF shows support from the community. The current plan incorporates larger lobby space for community to gather.

The following spoke on this item:

Russ Lunt, Brigham St – expressing support of the project

Morgan moved for passage, seconded by Beecher.

Morgan, Beecher and Smith spoke in support of the project.

Mayor Smith called for the vote. The motion passed 7-0.

6. ORDER #89-17/18 - Edward H. Benjamin DBA Benjamin Building Wrecking Co., 41 Jackson Street, for an Automobile Graveyard/Automobile Recycling Business and/or Junkyard License. Passage requires majority vote.

The following spoke:

Patricia Whyte, Orchard St.

Russ Lunt, Brigham St.

Cohen moved for passage, seconded by Fox. The motion passed 7-0.

7. ORDER #90-17/18– Granting TriCorp Amusements, Inc., d/b/a Cinemagic, a Coin-Operated Game Machine License. Passage requires five (5) affirmative votes.

Fox moved for passage, seconded by Beecher. The motion passed 7-0.

I. Action on Old and New Business

8. Reconsideration of ORDER #81-17/18 – Appealing the denial of the Public Works' Director for a new curb cut at 851 Main Street for Rolando's Redemption Center. Passage requires majority vote.

The following spoke:

Dan Cook, New York Ave

Adrian Dowling, Brickhill Ave

Kate Lewis, Mussey St.

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Russ Lunt, Brigham St.

Cohen moved to reconsider; seconded by Rose. The motion passed 7-0.

Cohen moved to withdraw her original motion for passage; Henderson withdrew the second.

Cohen moved to postpone to 12/6; seconded by Rose. The motion passed 5-2 (Smith, Morgan).

9. ORDER #91-17/18 – Award of Bid #32-18 for the purchase of a three-quarter ton, 4 x 4 crew cab pickup truck for the South Portland School Department. Passage requires majority vote.

Beecher moved for passage, seconded by Fox. The motion passed 5-2 (Morgan, Smith).

10. ORDER #92-17/18 – Accepting miscellaneous donations. Passage requires majority vote.

Cohen moved for passage, seconded by Smith. The motion passed 7-0.

J. Citizen Discussion (Second Part)

Patricia Whyte, Orchard St.

Cassandra Grey, South Portland

Don Cook, New York Ave

Kate Lewis, Mussey St.

Adrian Dowling, Brickhill Ave

K. Councilor's Round Robin

Beecher expressed that she was looking forward to receiving results from the Senior Citizen survey. Henderson, Morgan, Rose, Cohen, expressed gratitude to Fox and Smith for their service on the Council.

Fox and Smith thanked everyone for their support.

Morgan apologized to Dan Cook for comments made previously in the meeting.

L. Executive Session

A motion was made to go into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A., §405 (6)(a), evaluation of City Clerk by Smith, seconded by Morgan. The motion passed 7-0.

The Council ended executive session at 9:35pm; motion made by Fox and seconded by Cohen, passed 7-0.

Morgan moved to adjourn at 9:36pm, seconded by Rose. The motion passed 7-0.



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