

# CITY OF LEWISTON

CITY COUNCIL

DECEMBER 1, 2015

## REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 6:00 P.M.

THE HONORABLE ROBERT E. MACDONALD, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Macdonald, Councilors Dubois, Libby, Bouchard, Cloutier, Cayer and Lachance, City Administrator Edward Barrett and City Clerk Kathleen Montejo.

Absent/Excused: Councilor D'Auteuil. Note – Under the City Charter, in the absence of a Council, the Mayor is entitled to cast a vote.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moment of Silence.

### VOTE (310-2015)

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by Councilor Bouchard:

To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meetings of June 2, June 16, September 1, September 15 and September 29, and to accept and place them on file as prepared by the City Clerk. Passed - Vote 7-0

### RECOGNITION OF THE LEWISTON HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS

The Mayor presented certificates of recognition to the LHS boys soccer team who just won the Maine State Championship for High School Soccer. Names were also read for certificates for the LHS Golf Team and Cross Country Team.

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Ronnie Paradis of 82 Prospect Avenue spoke about recent damage to the sign in Mark Paradis Park and said she reported it to City Administration. She also spoke about some public health concerns regarding safety in housing in the downtown area and also read a Letter to the Editor regarding the need for the incoming City Council to work together as a team.

### PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMIT FOR LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR FISH BONES AMERICAN GRILL, 70 LINCOLN STREET

Mayor Macdonald opened the public hearing. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

### VOTE (311-2015)

Motion by Councilor Libby, seconded by Councilor Lachance:

To grant a Special Amusement Permit for live entertainment to Fish Bones American Grill, 70 Lincoln Street. Passed - Vote 7-0

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST PASSAGE REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE  
GENERAL ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE REGARDING ELIGIBILITY**

Mayor Macdonald opened the public hearing. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

**VOTE (312-2015)**

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by Councilor Libby:

That the proposed amendments to the City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 46 “General Assistance” receive first passage by a roll call vote and that the public hearing on said ordinance be continued to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Passed - Vote 7-0

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL PASSAGE FOR LAND USE CODE AMENDMENTS  
REGARDING THE ABILITY TO DIVIDE LOTS IN THE SHORELAND  
ZONING DISTRICT**

Mayor Macdonald opened the public hearing. No members of the public spoke for or against this issue. The Mayor then closed the hearing.

**VOTE (313-2015)**

Motion by Councilor Cayer, seconded by Councilor Lachance:

That the proposed amendments to Appendix A, Article V, “Administration and Enforcement”, Section 3, “General provisions”, of the City Zoning and Land Use Code, receive final passage by a roll call vote. Passed - Vote 7-0

**REPORTS AND UPDATES**

The City Clerk provided an update regarding the upcoming Mayoral Run-Off election. It was also noted the City of Auburn’s Inaugural Ceremony is December 7.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilor Cayer asked to have the Public Works Committee review the bus stop snow plowing before the upcoming winter.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**VOTE (314-2015)**

Motion by Councilor Dubois, seconded by Councilor Bouchard:

To enter into an Executive Session, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (C) to discuss Disposition of Property, of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 6:30pm and ended at 7:50pm.

**VOTE (315-2015)**

Motion by Councilor Libby, seconded by Councilor Cayer:

To enter into an Executive Session pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter regarding the annual evaluation of the City Administrator. Passed - Vote 7-0

Executive Session began at 7:51pm and ended at 8:23pm.

**VOTE (316-2015)**

Motion by Councilor Cloutier, seconded by Councilor Libby:

To adjourn at 8:24 P.M. Passed - Vote 7-0

A true record, Attest:

Kathleen M. Montejo, MMC  
City Clerk  
Lewiston, Maine