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REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 7:00 P.M.

THE HONORABLE JOHN T. JENKINS, MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Councilors Kelly, Gray, Albert, Samson, Bilodeau, Putnam, City Administrator Robert J. Mulready, Assistant City Administrator Peter Crichton, and Deputy City Clerk Kelly Mercier.

ALSO PRESENT: Student Council Members Andrea Leclair and Nicholas Danforth.

ABSENT: Councilor Lynch and City Clerk Gerald P. Berube.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Moment of Silence.

The Mayor presented a letter of commendation to Hebron Academy student Kirsten Ness and Bates College student Peter Beeson for their involvement in the Lake Auburn Watershed Protection Commission.

The Mayor presented the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Finance Director Richard Metivier, and Margaret Chase Smith Award to Public Works Director Chris Branch.

VOTE (1)

Motion by Councilor Samson, seconded by Councilor Kelly:

To dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meetings of October 21 & November 5, 1997, and to accept and place them on file as prepared by the City Clerk.

Passed - Vote 6-0

**CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE
PERTAINING TO FRONTAGE REQUIREMENTS**

This is the continuation of the public hearing on the ordinance pertaining to Frontage, to allow existing lots of record to gain their frontage along a private mobile home park road.

The City Administrator advised the Council members that the attorneys have once again requested that the public hearing be continued to the next regular meeting and the following

action was taken.

VOTE (2)

Motion by Councilor Samson, seconded by Councilor Bilodeau:

To table until the meeting of December 2, 1997, the ordinance pertaining to Frontage, to allow existing lots of record to gain their frontage along a private mobile home park road. Passed - Vote 6-0

Development Director Elliot Friedman, briefed the Council on the request for funding under the Environmental Protection Agencies (EPA) Brownsfields Assessment Demonstration Pilot Program.

VOTE (3)

Motion by Councilor Albert, seconded by Councilor Bilodeau:

To authorize the submission of an application for funding under the Environmental Protection Agencies (EPA) Brownsfields Assessment Demonstration Pilot Program to develop plans to clean up the Bates Mill and a limited area surrounding the mill. Passed - Vote 6-0

Sarah Marshall, representing Terrence J. DeWan & Associates, made a slide presentation on the Gateways Landscape Improvement Plan. The landscape design plan to improve landscaping and aesthetics along Lisbon Street, exit 13 through the downtown and along Main Street, from the Longley Bridge to Sabattus Street was unanimously endorsed by the Planning Board at its meeting of November 10th.

A question and answer period followed the presentation.

VOTE (4)

Motion by Councilor Samson, seconded by Councilor Bilodeau:

To accept and place on file the Corridor and Gateways Landscape Improvement Plan as prepared by Terrence J. DeWan & Associates. Passed - Vote 6-0

A motion was made at this time to request the Maine Turnpike Authority study the turnpike toll charges.

Mr. Conrad Welzel, Government Relations for the Turnpike Authority, reviewed the process followed by the Authority to arrive at the present toll system, and how the transpass system works.

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To approve the following for the upcoming December 9th Special Run-off Election for the office of Mayor.

A. To accept the Warrant (Notice of Election) for the Special Run-off Election.

B. That the hours for acceptance of registrations in person only, prior to the December 9th Election, as required by M.R.S.A. Title 21-A, Sec. 122, 6A(2), be set at 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., November 24th, through December 8th.

C. That the names of those persons who register during the closed session for registration shall be recorded in accordance with M.R.S.A., Title 21-A, Sec. 122, Subsec. 7B, except the day prior to the election when they shall be recorded in accordance with Subsec. 7A.

D. Pursuant to Title 21A, Sec. 759(7), absentee ballots will be processed at the central polling place at 7:00 A.M., 6:00 P.M. & 8:00 P.M., if necessary.

Passed - Vote 6-0

VOTE (9)

Motion by Council Samson, seconded by Councilor Gray:

To confirm the Mayor's appointment of Patricia Lemaire, 11 Moreau Avenue, to replace Aime Morin on the Lewiston Housing Authority, said term to expire on September 17, 1998.

Passed - Vote 6-0

VOTE (10)

Motion by Councilor Bilodeau, seconded by Councilor Kelly:

To accept the recommendation of the City Clerk and to change the voting place of Ward 6 Precinct 2 to the Holy Cross Senior Citizen Hall, 16 S Croix Street for the December 9th Special Mayoral Run-Off Election.

VOTE (11)

Motion by Councilor Gray, seconded by Councilor Samson:

To adjourn at 9:30 P.M. Passed - Vote 6-0

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A true record, Attest:

Kelly J. Mercier
Deputy City Clerk
Lewiston, Maine