

**CITY OF EASTPORT  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
SHEAD HIGH SCHOOL - BAND ROOM - 6:00 P.M.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 5:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

THERE WAS NONE

\_\_\_ Personnel Matters  
\_\_\_ Real Property or Economic Development  
\_\_\_ Labor Negotiations  
\_\_\_ Consultation w/Legal Counsel  
\_\_\_ Poverty Abatement Application

*Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A)*  
*Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C)*  
*Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D)*  
*Title 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(E)*  
*Title 36 M.R.S.A. § 841*

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

(Ref. WS700335 & WS700336)

**Those in Attendance:** Councilor Roscoe Archer, III, Councilor Hailley Bradbury, Councilor Scott Emery, and Council President, Gilbert Murphy. Also present were City Manager, Elaine Abbott; and City Clerk, Ella Kowal. **Absent:** Councilor Shannon Emery.

**Attendees in the Audience:** Lora Whelan, Robert Scott, Dennis Mahar, Kendall Ziegler, Ross Argir, Jeanne Peacock, Jana Sutherland, Elizabeth Hastings-Renner, and Chester Jenkins.

The City Clerk had temporary difficulty with the recorder and started over again.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

***Ref. WS700335 & WS700336***

Council President calls the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. ACTION from EXECUTIVE SESSION - NOT APPLICABLE**

**III. PUBLIC HEARING - THERE WERE NONE**

**IV. ACTION on PUBLIC HEARING(S) - NOT APPLICABLE**

**V. ADJUSTMENT(S) TO AGENDA - NONE**

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE**

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

The City Clerk notes that there was only one bid received and the Council President moves forward with the opening of the bid from Downeast Masonry and reads aloud what appears to be an amount of \$28,000.00 but that it is not legible. The City Manager asks to call Howie for verification as she believed this amount to be higher than what was expected. Howie will call the bidder to confirm the amount and will call the City Manager back.

**a) Opening & Award of Bid for the Lowering & Retarring - 22 Manholes**

**MOTION** ARCHER **SECOND** SCOTT EMERY **(PASSED 4-0)**

To table this vote until the Public Works Director, Howie, calls to verify the dollar amount submitted for the bid from Downeast Masonry.

The Public Works Director, Howie, called back at approximately 6:10 p.m. and confirms the amount of \$28,000.00.

Council President asks if it is too late to re-bid. The City Manager and Councilor Archer comments to say that they are getting ready to close down the plants and that it is late in the season for this type of work. The City Manager notes that the funds will come from the Sewer budget which is by user fees and not tax dollars.

**MOTION** ARCHER **SECOND** SCOTT EMERY **(PASSED 4-0)**

To accept the submitted bid of \$28,000.00 from Downeast Masonry and to authorize the City Manager and the Public Works Director to negotiate with said bidder but that the expense is not to exceed the \$28,000.00.

**b) Council Approval for a Write-Off in the Amount of \$125.57 - Sewer Acct. #605**

**MOTION** SCOTT EMERY **SECOND** ARCHER **(PASSED 4-0)**

To approve the write off for an amount of \$125.57 on Sewer Acct. #605 and to authorize the Treasurer, Traci Claroni, to make the necessary adjustment to the account.

**c) Opening of City Property for the Special Hunt for Antlerless Deer  
(from 11/26/2018 to 12/8/2018)**

**MOTION** ARCHER **SECOND** SCOTT EMERY **(PASSED 4-0)**

To authorize and approve the opening of City Property for the Special Hunt for antlerless deer from 11/26/2018 to 12/8/2018 and that the locations are to remain the same as last year and those being reflective of the Port Authority property on County Road and a range around the airport. Council also recognizes and accepts there is no change with regard to the cemetery, the parks, and the schools and that there is no hunting allowed. (No parks, no cemeteries, and no schools).

**d) Council Approval to Authorize Treasurer, Traci Claroni, to Administer Rural Development Grant for Raye's Mustard Mill Museum**

Councilor Archer asks the City Manager if the City would get reimbursed for the administration fees and she responded “no” we do not.

**MOTION** \_\_\_\_\_ **BRADBURY**                      **SECOND** \_\_\_\_\_ **ARCHER** **(PASSED 4-0)**  
To approve and authorize the Treasurer, Traci Claroni, to administer the Rural Development Grant for Raye's Mustard Mill Museum.

**e) Citizen Request to Join Sister Cities International**

**MOTION** \_\_\_\_\_ **BRADBURY**                      **SECOND** \_\_\_\_\_ **ARCHER** **(PASSED 4-0)**  
To accept and approve the Citizen Request to join the Sister Cities International organization to become a “sister city” to Finisterra, Spain with the understanding that Mr. Guiterrez has offered to pay the fee for both cities.

**f) Council Liaison/Manager Updates**

The City Manager presents her report as submitted and also notes that a journalist/camera crew from Switzerland (the equivalent of our public television) will be visiting the City next week for a period of a week.

Council President, Gilbert Murphy, updates that Downeast EMS held their quarterly meeting last month and reports that they are still financially stable and that there are a total of three trucks in Eastport. He comments to say that the third truck is for transfers and that they will be updating the manual stretcher to a power lift stretcher and they will also be replacing the monitor with a new one. He also informs that there are new employees and that there some that are attending EMT classes.

**MOTION** \_\_\_\_\_ **SCOTT EMERY**                      **SECOND** \_\_\_\_\_ **ARCHER** **(PASSED 4-0)**  
To accept and approve the Council Liaison/Manager Updates as given and presented.

**g.) Council Approval of Consent Agenda**

**MOTION** \_\_\_\_\_ **ARCHER**                      **SECOND** \_\_\_\_\_ **BRADBURY** **(PASSED 4-0)**  
To approve the Consent Agenda as presented and given.

**VIII. COUNCIL ISSUES**

Councilor Scott Emery addresses the Tax Assessor, Robert Scott, with a question with respect to Raye's Mustard Mill Museum. How will the taxes be impacted. Mr. Scott responds that there is no exemption before him at this time.

**IX. ADJOURN**

**MOTION** \_\_\_\_\_ **ARCHER**                      **SECOND** \_\_\_\_\_ **SCOTT EMERY** **(PASSED 4-0) TIME: 6:20 P.M.**  
To adjourn.