



**TOWN COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2008**

Fern Larochelle, Jr., At Large 2010  
Charles Smith, At Large 2008  
Michael Bowie, At Large 2009  
Gina Mason, District 1 2010  
Janet Henry, District 1 2009  
Dale Crafts, District 2 2010  
Norma Wells, District 2 2009

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE TO THE FLAG.** The Chairman, Norma Wells, called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL.** Members present were Councilors Wells, Smith, Bowie, Mason (arriving at 7:40 PM), Crafts, Henry, and Larochelle. Also present were Stephen Eldridge, Town Manager; Roger Therriault, Esq., Town Attorney; Wayne Ricker, Solid Waste Director; Cathy Ricker, Finance Director; Rosie Bradley, Economic & Community Development Director; and approximately 45 citizens in the audience.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### VICTUALER PERMIT - MICHAEL RASKIN D/B/A THE MADHOUSE

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing. There were no comments. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

### CHARTER AMENDMENTS

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing. Attorney Therriault pointed out that Question #2 had been changed and stated this question now deals only with the requirement that an ordinance be submitted in writing, and briefly explained each question.

Prudence Grant submitted the attached ([see attached](#)) information about Question 6 upon behalf of the School Committee and Superintendent Dr. Welsh. David Bowie presented the attached ([see attached](#)) comments for the Council to consider as well. The Chairman closed the Public Hearing.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**VOTE (2008-150)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve a Victualer Permit for Michael Raskin d/b/a The Madhouse and the minutes of August 19, 2008. **Order passed - Vote 6-0.**

## **COUNCIL ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

### RESIGNATIONS - PLANNING BOARD AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**VOTE (2008-151)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to accept Daniel Goyette's resignation from the Planning Board and Kelsey Purinton's resignation from the Conservation Commission. **Order passed - Vote 6-0.**

CHARTER AMENDMENTS

Attorney Therriault briefly explained the proposed amendments which the Council and he determined needed to be addressed in our charter and pointed out that there were good and sound reasons for all of them.

Councilor Mason arrived at 7:40 PM at the end of Attorney Therriault's presentation. Councilor Mason announced that she would be abstaining because she had not heard the information presented earlier that evening.

Councilor Wells reminded everyone that although the Council may recommend these amendments, Lisbon voters would make the final determination. The Council decided to vote whether or not to place each amendment on the ballot individually as follows:

QUESTION #1:
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Article II. Town Council  
Sec. 2.06. Proceedings of the Council.

(a) Meetings.

Add to the end of the Subsection the following: "The Chair, and the Vice Chair when acting as Chair, shall exercise full privileges of Council membership including participation in deliberations on all issues before Council and the right to vote on all issues."

(b) Rules.

Add to the end of the Subsection the following: "The term limits for each office shall be administered separately and a term as Vice Chair, shall not preclude the Vice chair from being elected the Chair."

EXPLANTION: To clarify that the Chair and Vice Chair, when acting as Chair, are full voting members of the Council on all issues and to clarify that term limits are administered separately for the Chair and Vice Chair.

**VOTE (2008-152A)** Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Bowie moved to submit question 1 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 5-1-1.**  
**(Against: Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #2:
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Article II. Town Council  
Sec. 2.08. Ordinances.

Amend by adding the underlined text as follows:

(a) Procedure. An ordinance may be introduced by any Councilor at any regular or special meeting of the Council and may not be enacted except after public hearing thereon. All Ordinances shall be submitted in writing....

EXPLANATION: To require that all Ordinances be submitted in writing.

**VOTE (2008-152B)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 2 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 6-0-1.**  
**(Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #3:
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Article II. Town Council

Sec. 2.11. Vacancies; Forfeiture of Office; Filling of Vacancies.

Amend by deleting the stricken text and adding the underlined text as follows:

(b) *Forfeiture of Office.* A councilor ~~shall~~ may forfeit the office if the Councilor (1) lacks at any time during his or her term of office any qualifications for the office prescribed by this Charter or by law, (2) knowingly and willfully violates any express prohibition or other provision of this Charter, of the terms of their oath of office, the Town's Ethics Policy, or any other Town provision relating to the conduct of a Councilor, including violation of confidentiality requirements (3) is convicted of any crime or offense which is reasonably related to his or her ability to serve as councilor, ~~or~~ (4) fails to attend three consecutive regular meetings of the Council without being excused by the Council, (5) malfeasance of office, (6) failure to carry out the duties of the office, or (7) misappropriation of funds.

In its review of a Council member, the Council shall have the authority to issue a public reprimand, to cause a reduction of elimination of salary, to suspend the member for a specific period of time, or to cause removal of a Council member which shall result in the seat being declared vacant. A Councilor charged with conduct constituting grounds for forfeiture of office shall be entitled to a public hearing on demand of that Councilor. Notice of such hearing shall be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the municipality at least one (1) week in advance of the hearing.

EXPLANATION: To clarify the circumstances where a Councilor may face forfeiture of office and Council's authority to police its own membership.

**VOTE (2008-152C)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 3 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 4-2-1.**  
**(Against: Crafts & Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #4:
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Article II. Town Council

Sec. 2.11. Vacancies; Forfeiture of Office; Filling of Vacancies.

Amend by deleting the stricken text and adding the underlined text as follows:

(c) Filling of Vacancies. If a seat on the Town Council becomes vacant more than six (6) months prior to the next regular Town election, the vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by a special election ~~held within sixty (60) days from the date the vacancy occurred.~~ The Town Council shall follow the time frames for the availability, and filing of nomination petitions and the date of the special election in Section 7.02 of this Charter except that shorter time frames may be prescribed by Council where it can be assured that the time frames for circulating nomination petitions and for the Town Clerk to prepare ballots is adequate. If a seat on the Town Council becomes vacant within six (6) months prior to the next regular Town election, the Council shall appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy. If the vacancy is a seat of a District Councilor, the person elected or appointed to fill the vacancy shall be a resident of the applicable Voting District. Should a Councilor who is elected from a particular District change his residence from that District to another District within the Town of Lisbon, that Councilor shall be allowed to serve out that portion of his term until the next election during which Councilors are elected. At that time, his seat shall be declared vacant for the remainder of that Councilor's term and a new Councilor qualified from that District shall be elected to fulfill the remainder of the term. If by virtue of a change in District lines, a Councilor elected

from a particular District, without having physically moved the Councilor's residence, is nevertheless located in a District other than that from which he was elected, he shall be permitted to serve out the remainder of the term but shall not be eligible for reelection as a Councilor from the original District.

Article VII. Nomination and Elections  
Sec. 7.02. Nomination by Petition.

Amend by deleting the stricken text and adding the underlined text as follows:

(a) Petitions. ...No nomination petitions shall be issued by the Clerk more than ~~thirty (30)~~ forty (40) days prior to the earliest date upon which a completed petition could legally be accepted by the Clerk....

Article VIII. Initiative, Referendum, Recall and Special Town Meeting  
Sec. 8.31. [Generally.]

Amend by deleting the stricken text and adding the underlined text as follows:

(d) Actions on Petitions. The Council shall, within 30 days following a final determination that the recall petition is sufficient, hold a municipal election for the purpose of submitting the question of recall to a vote of the qualified voters of the Town or, in the case of recall of a Council or Budget Advisory Board member elected from a district, the qualified voters of that district. Pending the outcome of the election, the elected official who is the subject of the recall petition shall continue to exercise all of the privileges of his or her office. An official shall be recalled when a majority of those voting thereon shall have voted in the affirmative so long as the total number of votes cast for and against recall is at least equal to 30% of the total number of qualified voters who cast votes for Governor in the most recent gubernatorial election. ~~The Council shall within 30 days after the voters have recalled an official hold a special election to fill the vacancy.~~ Where the voters have recalled an official, the Council shall fill the vacancy thus created in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.11 of this Charter.

EXPLANATION: To make consistent the provisions for filling Council vacancies and to provide for forty (40) days for the circulation of nomination petitions.

**VOTE (2008-152D)** Councilor Wells, seconded by Councilor Bowie moved to submit question 4 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 5-1-1.**  
**(Against: Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #5:

Article V. Administrative Organization and Departments  
Sec. 5.23. Personnel Rules.

Add a Paragraph at the end of this Section as follows:

Where there is a conflict between the Rules adopted by Council under this Provision, with Collective Bargaining Agreements, the provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreements shall govern.

EXPLANATION: To clarify that the provisions of Collective Bargaining Agreements shall supersede conflicting Council adopted rules.

**VOTE (2008-152E)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 5 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 6-0-1.**  
**(Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #6:
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Article VI. Financial Provisions

Sec. 6.02 Submission of Budgets; Budget Messages.

Amend by deleting the stricken text and adding the underlined text in the first sentence, as follows:

On or before the third Tuesday ~~first day~~ of March each year, the Town Manager and the School Committee shall submit to the Town Council line item budgets for the ensuing fiscal year....

Sec. 6.04. Council Action on Budget.

(b) Budget Deliberations. The Town Council shall review the proposed budgets at budget sessions which may be informal but which shall be open to the public. The Council shall complete its review of the budgets no later than the last Tuesday in June.

(d) Adoption. ~~The final votes on the budgets shall be taken on or before the first day of June. If the Council fails to adopt a budget for either the Town or the School Department by the first day of June, the budget as presented by the Town Manager or the School Committee shall automatically become the budget for the fiscal year.~~

1. Town Budget. The final vote on the Town Budget shall be taken on or before the last Tuesday of June. If Council fails to adopt a Budget for the Town by the last Tuesday in June, the Budget as presented by the Town Manager shall become the Budget to be implemented on a month to month basis until such time as a final Budget is approved.

2. School Budget. Until such time as the Town of Lisbon becomes certified as a member of a Regional School Unit by the Commissioner of the Maine Department of Education, the Town Council shall act as the Board of the Regional School Unit, approving the Budget with or without amendment, and providing for Referendum vote on the Budget in accordance with the procedures and time frames provided in LD499 as amended.

EXPLANATION: To change the date of Budget submissions to Council from March 1<sup>st</sup> to the third Tuesday of March; to provide for completion of review and passage of the Town Budget by the last Tuesday in June and for the School Budget as required under Maine Statute.

**VOTE (2008-152F)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 6 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 5-1-1.**  
**(Against: Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #7:
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Article VI. Financial Provisions

Sec. 6.05. Amendments After Adoption.

Amend by adding the underlined text as follows:

(a) Supplemental Appropriations. If during the fiscal year, the Town Manager, in the case of the Town's budget, or the Superintendent of Schools, in the case of the School budget, certifies that there are available for appropriation revenues from state or federal sources or from private

gifts or bequests, or from other sources, in excess of those estimated in the budget, the Town Council may make supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year up to the amount of the estimated excess. All supplemental appropriations shall be in the form of an Ordinance and approved in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.08 of this Charter.

EXPLANATION: To provide that all supplemental appropriations shall be approved as Town Ordinances.

**VOTE (2008-152G)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 7 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed – Vote 5-1-1.**  
**(Against: Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #8:

Article VI. Financial Provisions  
Sec. 6.08. Capital Program.

Amend by adding the underlined text as follows:

(c) Planning Board Review. The Planning Board shall review the proposed capital program each year to determine, where appropriate, that the capital expenditure is consistent with the provisions of the Town Comprehensive Plan and forward its recommendations to the Town Council no later than the first day of February.

EXPLANATION: To clarify the Planning Board's role in reviewing the Town's capital program.

**VOTE (2008-152H)** Councilor Wells, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 8 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed – Vote 5-1-1.**  
**(Against: Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #9:

Article IX. General Provisions  
Sec. 9.03. Conflict of Interest.

Amend by adding the underlined text as follows:

If any elected or appointed officer, official, employee, or the spouse of any such person, has a substantial financial interest, direct or indirect, in any contract with the Town or in the purchase or sale of any land, material, supplies, or service to the Town or to a contractor supplying the Town, that person shall make known that interest and shall refrain from voting or otherwise participating in his or her capacity as an elected or appointed officer, official, or employee in making any such purchase or sale or in making such contract. Any such person who willfully conceals said financial interest or that of his or her spouse, or willfully violates the requirements of this section shall be guilty of malfeasance in office or position and shall forfeit the same. Any contract made in violation of this section shall be voidable by the Town. An elected or appointed officer, official, employee or spouse of any such person may participate in a commercial transaction with the Town only where that commercial transaction is governed by a competitive bid process.

EXPLANATION: To provide that Town officials and employees may only engage in commercial transactions with the Town under a competitive bid process.

**VOTE (2008-152I)** Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Wells moved to submit question 9 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 4-2-1.**  
**(Against: Crafts & Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #10:

Article I. Grant of Power to the Town  
Add new Sec. 1.05 as underlined as follows:

Sec. 1.05. Separation of Powers.

The Town of Lisbon, pursuant to authority granted by the Home Rule Amendment to the Maine Constitution and statutory authority under the Maine Revised Statutes, exercises both legislative and administrative powers in carrying out its governmental functions. Legislative powers are vested solely and exclusively with the Town Council. This Legislative function pertains to the enactment of Ordinances, Regulations, Resolutions and Orders, and with the establishment of Policy, the purpose of which is to determine a course of conduct for Town government, and to formulate Rules of Conduct consistent therewith. Administrative powers are vested in the Town Manager and Town Staff. These executive functions vested in the Town Manager and his Staff exist for the purpose of carrying out administratively the Legislative Policies adopted, approved and set down by the Town Council. This Charter recognizes a firm line of division between these two governmental functions and herein expresses the principal that members of the Town Council shall not be involved in the exercise of the administrative powers of the Town, except to determine that the Legislative Enactments and Policies adopted by Council are being carried out by Town Administration.

EXPLANATION: To clarify the separation of legislative and administrative powers under the Town's Council/Manager form of government.

**VOTE (2008-152J)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 10 to the voters and instruct the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed - Vote 4-2-1.**  
**(Against: Crafts & Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

QUESTION #11:

Article VI. Financial Provisions  
Add a new Sec. 6.10 as underlined as follows:

Sec. 6.10. Borrowing in Anticipation of Taxes.

In anticipation of the collection of taxes, the Council may by Order authorize borrowing by the issuance of notes, which said notes may be renewed, but all such notes or renewals thereof, shall mature and be paid no later than the end of the fiscal year in which the borrowing occurred. In the absence of a contrary provision on an Order authorizing said notes, the Town Finance Director with the approval of the Chairman of the Town Council and the Town Manager, shall determine the date or dates, maturities, denominations, interest rate or rates, and other details of each issue of notes or renewals thereof and shall provide for the sale thereof.

EXPLANATION: To provide appropriate procedures for tax anticipation borrowing.

**VOTE (2008-152K)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to submit question 11 to the voters and instructed the Town Clerk to prepare the ballot. **Order passed – Vote 4-2-1. (Against: Crafts & Henry) (Abstained: Mason)**

### VEHICLE BIDS

**VOTE (2008-153)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Crafts moved to award Beaver Park's 1988 GMC Pickup Truck with plow bid to Ronald Leighton for \$1,608.77. **Order passed – Vote 6-0.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### A. TRANSFER & RECYCLING DEPARTMENT REVIEW

Mr. Ricker said the Solid Waste Department's financial picture looked very good. He highlighted the following revenues:

\$ 34,209	Sticker/Permits
\$ 24,835	Paper/Newspaper
\$ 19,147	Cardboard
\$ 2,295	Refrigerators
\$ 1,505	Tires
\$ 30,615	Shingles/Wood and other bulky waste
\$ 34,793	Steel
\$ 195	Bottles
\$147,595	Total Revenue

Mr. Ricker pointed out his expenses total \$554,295 last year, which was \$30,000 less than appropriated. He pointed out that last year Lisbon budgeted \$125,000 in revenue and he collected \$147,595. He estimated it costs Lisbon approximately \$406,700 to operate this facility. Councilor Smith remarked that Mr. Ricker had done a good job and said, "Keep up the good work."

### B. ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REVIEW

Ms. Bradley said she received several calls from businesses looking for sites to locate or relocate to here in Lisbon. She is putting together a binder and database list of all the available commercial spaces and land in Lisbon. She indicated she received ten requests over the last few weeks, five of those she had successfully helped, and the other five she was still working with.

Ms. Bradley said she is continuing business visits and discussing operational needs, along with updating businesses about some of the activities she has going on in Lisbon. She encouraged businesses to call for a visit and to call for a survey if they had not received one.

Ms. Bradley said she had completely revamped the loan paperwork and that the new guidelines, procedures, and applications were in use now. She said she revitalized the Commercial Revolving Loan Review Committee and they are actively reviewing loans. Lisbon currently has about \$550,000 to lend. She encouraged businesses to use this option if they have a project that needs financing, but to remember that this money is used for "gap" financing and would not fund 100% of any project. She said the loan committee is discussing utilizing one of the smaller loan pools to assist businesses. She recommended the Council support creating a different loan application and process for smaller loans.

Ms. Bradley informed the Council that the IRP Auditor completed the IRP audit and that they were very pleased with our progress. She said new guidelines, criteria, and an application for the TIF program have been completed and sent to the state for preliminary review. Once she incorporates those changes if any, she said it would be ready for the Council to review. She said she compiled

an informative business resource packet to use for start up businesses that includes business plan information, financing options, legal structures, tax information, training, resource contacts, websites, and much more.

Ms. Bradley said she had been working extensively over the past few months with Ellie Bowie d/b/a Enchantment Wedding Services located at 18 Main Street in Lisbon Falls and that their planning a grand opening on Monday, Sept. 22 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Aubuchon's is finalizing their traffic permit application with MDOT and should be opening on November 1. The Family Dollar opened last Thursday and held their Grand Opening on Saturday. The BMX group is finalizing their application for the planning board to review next month. They will be holding an abutters meeting at the MTM center on September 25 to address issues, answer questions, and correct misinformation. She said this is an excellent project for Lisbon and that Kim had done a great job coordinating this effort.

Ms. Bradley said the Revitalization Committee started out with three or four members and grew to 12. This committee is finalizing plans to hold three Community Visioning Workshops within in the next couple of months. She said they would be having one in the morning on a weekday, one in the evening on a weekday and one on a Saturday. She encouraged all residents and businesses to participate and help shape what direction Lisbon should proceed with. She said once the three visioning workshops were over, this committee would compile the data, then one larger event would be held to reveal this information and to have everyone prioritize these items. Based upon the topics (recreation, transportation, infrastructure, housing, etc.) subcommittees would be formed to create detailed strategic plans for accomplishing the items suggested. She said she plans to submit in January 2009 a Downtown Revitalization Grant application along with a Façade Improvement Grant application, and that part of their revitalization efforts would include the redevelopment of the Worumbo Mill.

Ms. Bradley said if Lisbon could generate enough community interest that she would like to apply for the next Main Street Community Grant. She mentioned that this application would be comprehensive and would be contingent upon business support and community involvement. She pointed out that nine other communities in Maine received funding. Those were Bath, Biddeford, Eastport, Gardiner, Norway, Saco, Skowhegan, Van Buren and Waterville. Lisbon could be the next one. She commented that from 2002 to 2007 these Main Street communities benefited from a total of \$45.6 million dollars, which was reinvested into physical improvements from public & private sources, that netted 120 new businesses, 625 new jobs, and 54 renovated buildings. She pointed out that 117,486 volunteer hours had been spent. She said this was a proved program and that it could work here, but that it would take a committed community to make this happen.

#### C. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cathy Ricker noted on the revenue side that several timing differences caused the July and August reports to indicate higher amounts than last year. She pointed out that our escrow interest and Sate road maintenance funds came in earlier this year. She said that although State Revenue Sharing went up \$6,500, vehicle excise tax dropped \$19,000 as compared to last year. She said Lisbon had collected 2.3 million so far and expected two times that by the end of the month. The auditor's draft should be ready by the end of this week. On the appropriation control side, there is one negative amount because the canopy project grant money can not be applied for until they come inspect the trees to make sure they survived the winter. She said the county tax was included in this week's warrant. She anticipated reserves should be okay in January this year.

#### D. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Eldridge said the Energy Forum was successful with seven presenters and a room full of residents. He explained that the Androscoggin River might become a Class B instead of a Class C. He mentioned CMMC was looking for a letter of support for a hospital expansion. He informed the

Council that he appointed Cathy Ricker to be the go to person while he would be away on September 19 through 24. Mr. Eldridge spoke to the Environmental Class at Bowdoin College and announced that these students offered to help draft our trail system policies and procedures for maintenance.

E. INTERVIEWS FOR ETHICS PANEL,  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION, AND  
TRAIL COMMISSION

The Council agreed to go into executive session to interview candidates for the Ethics Panel, Conservation Commission, and Trail Commission.

**VOTE (2008-154)** Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Bowie moved to go into Executive Session at 8:45 PM per 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) (a) Personnel Matters. **Order passed - Vote 6-0.**

The Chairman dismissed the Council Secretary. The Council came out of executive session at 9:10 PM and reconvened the meeting.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Roger Cote said he had been definitely discriminated against while circulating his nomination papers at a recent football game. He pointed out to the Council what is allowed to be discussed in executive session and for what purpose executive sessions can be called. He said he felt that executive sessions were being taken advantage of by this Council.

Dexter Parsons said the recent tax error missed by three people should have been preventable, and urged that safeguards be adopted to prevent this from happening again.

Robin Tupper asked the Council to address a conflict of interest issue involving the adoption of the recent municipal budget and the fact that Councilor Bowie had voted when his wife's salary was included in that budget. Michelle Turmelle remarked that Chapter 12 (Ethics and Conflicts of Interest) identifies this issue and requested the Council deal with this issue. Councilor Wells said the Ethics Panel needed to be established first. She mentioned that Attorney Therriault would be addressing this issue at their October 7 meeting as well.

**APPOINTMENTS**

ETHICS PANEL/ ONE 3-YEAR TERM

Because some applicants were not present, the Council agreed to finish the rest of these interviews at the next Council meeting. This item postponed to the next meeting.

ETHICS PANEL/ ONE 1-YEAR TERM

Because some applicants were not present, the Council agreed to finish the rest of these interviews at the next Council meeting. This item postponed to the next meeting.

ETHICS PANEL/ONE ALTERNATE MEMBER

Because some applicants were not present, the Council agreed to finish the rest of these interviews at the next Council meeting. This item postponed to the next meeting.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEMBER

**VOTE (2008-157)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to appoint Toby Williams to the Conservation Commission for a three-year term expiring in 2011. **Order passed - Vote 7-0.**

TRAILS COMMISSION

**VOTE (2008-158)** Councilor Henry, seconded by Councilor Bowie moved to appoint Pauline Mathieu to the Trail Commission for a three-year term expiring in 2011. **Order passed - Vote 7-0.**

RECREATION COMMITTEE/ALTERNATE MEMBER

**VOTE (2008-159)** Councilor Smith, seconded by Councilor Crafts moved to appoint Carroll Curtis as an alternate to the Recreation Committee for a three-year term expiring in 2011. **Order passed - Vote 7-0.**

**COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Henry said she was sorry to hear that David Hale was moving to Concord, New Hampshire. She encouraged everyone to attend the home coming games and to support the boosters by purchasing tickets for the KFC dinner on Friday, September 19.

Councilor Larochelle said many residents attended the Energy Forum. He said many residents would be turning to electric heat this winter. He said there is help out there and encouraged residents to contact Mr. Eldridge or Mrs. Hardy-Goddard.

Councilor Crafts publicly thanked Master Chief Nicholson and his team from the Brunswick Naval base for their volunteer painting at MTM and the Library.

Councilor Mason said she was excited about the revitalization committee and about what that group could do. She pointed out that it is all about what we can do together to solve the problems of our town and invited everyone to attend and participate at the visioning workshops.

Councilor Bowie said the smaller communities were not in favor of the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) consolidation effort. He said the discussion leaned towards a weighted call solution in hopes of making the financial picture a little more palatable for all. He said this group would continue to work on finding a solution.

Councilor Wells asked the Council and community to support a food drive on Election Day and encouraged residents to bring donated food to their polling place to help our local food bank this year. The Council unanimously supported this effort. Councilor Henry pointed out that this should be perfect timing since its right before Thanksgiving.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*(Item taken up out of order under Appointments)*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**VOTE (2007-160)** Councilor Bowie, seconded by Councilor Smith moved to adjourn at 9:58 PM. **Order passed - Vote 7-0.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Twila Lycette, Council Secretary  
Town Clerk, Lifetime CCM