

Town of Hermon

Public Safety Meeting Room

September 12, 2024

Town Council Meeting

6:30 PM

MINUTES

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ALL ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATE COUNCIL ACTION

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON:
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Snyer led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Joshua Berry, Richard Cyr, Christopher Gray, Terry Hamm-Morris, Ronald

Murphy, John Snyer III and Derek Wood

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Town Manager Stephen Fields, Town Clerk Kristen Cushman, Assistant Town

Manager Scott Perkins, Code Officer Jessefa Murphy and 1 residents/guests

- IV. PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENTS: (ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)
 - No public comments



V. REVIEW CONSENT CALENDAR: REGULAR BUSINESS, APPOINTMENTS, SIGNATURES, AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MINUTES -APPROVE 8/15/2024

SIGNATURES -APPROVE

RESOLVES -SIGN

WARRANTS -SIGN 8/30/2024, 9/13/2024

Councilor Snyer moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Councilor Cyr seconded the motion. Motion passes 7-0.

VI. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

Casella Q & A – James Dunning, Market Area Manager for Casella

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

• Hold Public Hearing - Zone change res B to res A - Clark Rd

<u>Chair Snyer opened the public hearing at 6:42PM. No public comments were given. The hearing closed at 6:44PM.</u>

• Hold Public Hearing - Solar Ordinance

Chair Snyer opened the public hearing at 6:44PM. No public comments were given. The hearing closed at 6:47PM.

• Hold Public Hearing – Hermon Recreation special amusement permit

<u>Chair Snyer opened the public hearing at 6:47PM. No public comments were given. The hearing closed at 6:48PM.</u>

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- IX. SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS:
 - A. OLD BUSINESS:
 - **B. NEW BUSINESS:**

R24-25-02 Consider approving zone change res B to res A – Clark Rd

<u>Councilor Snyer moved to approve R24-25-02.</u> Councilor Wood seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.



O24-25-03 Consider approving Solar Ordinance

<u>Councilor Murphy moved to approve O24-25-03. Councilor Wood seconded the motion.</u> The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.

R24-25-03 Consider approving Hermon Recreation Special Amusement Permit for Truck or Treat

<u>Councilor Murphy moved to approve R24-25-03. Councilor Cyr seconded the motion.</u> The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.

FR24-25-03 Consider authorizing the sale of public works trucks

<u>Councilor Murphy moved to approve FR24-25-03.</u> Councilor Wood seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.

R24-25-04 Consider authorizing to seek consulting services for Land Use Ordinance updates

<u>Councilor Murphy moved to approve R24-25-04.</u> Councilor Cyr seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.

FR24-25-04 Consider authorizing HTO subsurface wastewater system replacement

<u>Councilor Murphy moved to approve FR24-25-04.</u> Councilor Wood seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.

C. WORKSHOPS:

- Discussion on Code Fee Schedule Jessefa Murphy
- Discussion on hiring a company to review and compare the land use ordinance and comprehensive plan to review it is compatible with comprehensive plan – Jessefa Murphy
- D. OTHER ITEMS: (FROM TABLE PACKAGE)
- X. APPOINTMENTS:
- XI. MANAGER STATUS REPORT:



- Thank you for understanding while I had my medical procedure and recovery process. Scott
 and the staff have been accommodating and stepping up to ensure the Town daily operations
 moved forward.
- As a veteran and former first responder, I would like to take this time to thank all the local first responders, veterans for their service, and those families affected by the events on September 11, 2001. Every generation has overcome adversity and opportunities, take time to reflect and learn from these events.
- Absentee ballots for the November Presidential/General Election will be available on/about October 7th. Requests are being taken now with the Clerk staff. Election is on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
- Thank you to Casella for taking the time to continue supporting the Town with questions/answers as we prepare for the upcoming transition. Once again, information is being mailed and available on the Town website and town official social media.
- Saturday, Sept 21st, 10a-2p, 75th Anniversary for Hermon Fire Department. Come on over to the Open House for fun and food.

XII. FINAL PUBLIC ITEMS OR COMMENT: (ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA)

• No public comments

XIII. COUNCIL ITEMS:

Joshua Berry: A tip of his cap to the first responders in Hermon. Since working at

Hermon I have a greater appreciation of what they do.

Great job Jessefa getting the solar ordinance to the finish line and appreciate all the supporting documents in the packet. It was very helpful.

Richard Cyr: Thanked Chief Sullivan for exhibit outside the fire station for 9/11. new track.

Ronald Murphy: Thank you to the fire department. As we heard last week, the fire department was upgraded to the paramedic level of care. There is a tremendous amount of paperwork and prep for this to happen along with an onsite inspection. Thank you for all you do.

Christopher Gray: The paramedic level to obtain is awesome. As a town we can build of this for possible ambulance services. It's great what they are doing and the tribute to 9/11 was great. It is important to teach the next generation the events of that day and what it meant to our country.



XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilor Murphy moved to enter Executive Session to discuss a legal matter involving council procedures pursuant to 1 M.S.R.A. 405 (6)(D). Councilor Gray seconded the motion. The motion was accepted. Motion passes 7-0.

The motion carries. Executive Session started at 7:17 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 7:28 p.m.

Consider entering Executive Session to discuss acquisition of real property or economic development per 1 M.S.R.A. § 405(6)(C)

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilor Murphy moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM. Councilor Berry seconded. With no objection the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Cushman Town Clerk

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Explanatory note #1: All items in the CONSENT CALENDAR are considered routine and are proposed for adoption by the Town Council with one motion without DISCUSSION or deliberation. If DISCUSSION on any item is desired, any member of the Council or public may request the removal of an item for it to be placed in the regular agenda prior to the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Explanatory Note #2: In the interest of effect decision-making: At 10:00 p.m., the Chairman shall poll the Council and Town Manager to identify remaining items which shall be carried forward to the next Regular Meeting.

Explanatory Note #3: A Councilor who feels the need for the Council excusing his/her absence will make the request to the Town Manager or the Town Clerk prior to the meeting.