

**KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 11, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.  
TOWN HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

1. Call to Order: Chairperson Spiller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Introductory: Chairperson Spiller read the introductory.
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Chairperson Spiller led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Roll Call: Answering the roll were Councilors Charles Denault, Jeffrey Pelletier, Jeffrey Thomson, Cyrus Clark, Vice-Chair Matthew Brock and Chairperson Judy Spiller.

Chairperson Spiller said that Councilor Lemont was in a warmer place.

5. Agenda Amendment and Adoption: Chairperson Spiller proposed one amendment to the agenda - to move item 9 (a) before #6, Town Manager's Report. Hearing no other amendments, she cast one vote in favor of the agenda as amended.

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  - a. (020119-1) The Kittery Town Council moves to present a proclamation honoring Ann Grinnell for her years of dedication and service to the Town of Kittery.

Chairperson Spiller read the proclamation honoring the service and dedication of Ann H. Grinnell.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THE PROCLAMATION, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR BROCK.**

Councilor Denault requested, through the Chair, that he read an e-mail he received from Councilor Lemont, apologizing for not being in attendance and thanking Ann Grinnell for her service.

Chairperson Spiller read a letter from the Hon. Senator Susan B. Collins, expressing her warmest personal wishes to Ann Grinnell, remembering how she and Ms. Grinnell marched together to save the Shipyard and thanking her for her service.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIES.**

Chairperson Spiller asked the Councilors to join her in presenting the proclamation to Ann Grinnell. (the many people in attendance applauded)

Ms. Grinnell accepted the proclamation and said it was her honor to serve the Town of Kittery.

Chairperson Spiller asked if she would like to say a few words, to go to the podium.

Ann Grinnell, 5 Stimson St., Kittery said she is honored and asked everyone not to worry about her, what will be, will be. She said she pulled the short stick and that it is sadder for everyone else than it is for her. She said she will fight it and that she appreciated everyone's support.

6. Town Manager's Report:

Town Manager Amaral welcomed Brenda Fox-Howard, the new Finance Director.

Ms. Fox-Howard approached the podium, saying that she recently came on board from Peterborough, originally from Connecticut and that she was happy to be in Kittery. She said she looks forward to working for the Council.

Chairperson Spiller and the Councilors welcomed Ms. Fox-Howard and thanked her for coming.

Town Manager Amaral said there is a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and the Rice Public Library Board of Trustees. She said that she hoped they have time to review it, it has been a process, with many years in the making. She would like Councilors to send her comments.

Town Manager Amaral said that citizens have made her aware about a ripple in the road approaching the Memorial Circle, coming from the Kittery Community Center. She said that Dave Rich is taking a look at the road settling.

Town Manager Amaral said, regarding the Adopt-A-Road Program, they updated the checklist and what the Conservation Commission had proposed and made the necessary adjustments. She said the application is online and encouraged anyone to go on the website to learn more on how they can adopt a road.

Town Manager Amaral said that senior property taxpayers can get a credit and residents 70 and older are eligible. She said that they can receive a \$1,000 credit on the tax bill and they are accepting applications now for the next fiscal year. She said there is information on the website for other exemptions.

Town Manager Amaral said they are seeking candidates for Boards, Committees and Commissions and to check the website. There are openings on the Parks Commission, Conservation Commission and the Shellfish Conservation Committee.

Town Manager Amaral said, for upcoming dates, the property tax bill is due Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, and Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> is the Family Valentine Dance at the KCC, April 5<sup>th</sup> at the Regatta Room is the KCC Silent Auction.

#### 7. Acceptance of Previous Minutes – January 14, 2019 Regular Meeting

Chairperson Spiller cast one vote to accept the minutes of January 14, 2019 as amended.

#### 8. Interviews for the Board of Appeals and Planning Board: Planning Board (one appointment to fill an unexpired term until 12/31/19) Robert J. Kaszynski and Stephen J. Bellantone

Chairperson Spiller said she will ask a few questions of each candidate, relating to skills and experience he could bring as a member of the Planning Board, if he understood “conflict of interest” and if he had attended any Planning Board Meetings and for Mr. Kaszynski to give a brief response to each question.

Mr. Kaszynski said he is a resident of Kittery and in 2000 was on the Personnel Board as well as the Board of Appeals. He said he is able to assist in the community and would like to offer his services in any way possible.

Mr. Kaszynski replied he is a retired Federal law enforcement officer with 5 years active military service in the Army and 22 years in the reserve., that he had not attended any Planning Board meetings, but he did understand “conflict of interest.”

Chairperson Spiller asked the Town Clerk if Stephen Bellantone had been contacted.

Ms. Maurice replied yes.

Chairperson Spiller said that cannot act on the appointment until Mr. Bellantone has been interviewed and wanted to know if Mr. Kaszynski could stay a little longer.

Councilor Thomson said he had a question on Mr. Bellantone's application – it looked like it was date-stamped February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Chairperson Spiller thought that it is stamped February 5<sup>th</sup>. She said they will hold off on the appointment to the Planning Board.

9. All items involving the town attorney, town engineers, town employees or other town consultants or requested officials.
  - b. (020119-2) The Kittery Town Council moves to receive a presentation from the Town Manager on the 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Program.

Town Manager Amaral gave an overview of the program and the process on the 20-24 CIP plan. She denoted what they expect to spend on new and existing capital assets. She said they are taking steps to take care of what we have invested in. She said Councilor Denault is the Council representative on the CIP Committee and long-standing members Chris Perkins and Jeff Clifford are in the audience tonight.

Town Manager Amaral said they are working on a detailed asset management plans for the Police Dept. and Kittery Community Center equipment. She said the Harbor Master went through the plan and identified when things need to be replaced and is helping to develop a schedule but she does not have a detailed plan of when the servers and the computers need to be replaced.

Town Manager Amaral said the net CIP amount is \$1,913,517 and they are proposing \$1.988 million dollars in capital projects. She said this is a 40% increase and will not impact the tax rate. She said between 1.8 and 1.9 million dollars is the stabilizing number to maintain their assets and does not include expanding the building.

Town Manager Amaral said the Reserve approach has worked. She said they are able to absorb the FY'20 funding requests to meet their needs as they come up.

Town Manager Amaral discussed the FY'21 Emery Field Improvement Phase 2 \$300,000 project. She said that questions have been raised whether or not this is a good site for affordable workforce housing.

Town Manager Amaral said that Chief O'Brien had put out an RFP for the LED street light project in the amount of \$240,000 with a return on investment of 2.6 years. She said that they anticipate spending \$500,000 in total on the Library renovation and have signed with Scott Design Architects. She said the project will begin in January and she will seek bond authorization in November. She said if the bond is not passed, they will hold off and they are trying to be strategic in planning for this project.

Chairperson Spiller asked if the Council had any questions or comments.

Councilor Thomson said the members of the CIP committee are citizens who have been with the committee for a number of years. He said the document is complete and is a wonderful road map.

Chairperson Spiller wished to echo Councilor Thomson's comments and said they did a great job.

At 6:42 p.m. Stephen Bellantone arrived.

Chairperson Spiller asked Mr. Bellantone what skills and experience he could bring as a member of the Planning Board, whether he was aware of “conflict of interest” and if he had attended any Planning Board Meetings.

Mr. Bellantone replied he has an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering and a Master’s in Education and taught at Philip Exeter Academy, but is retired, as well as owning and operating his own surveying engineering company. He said he was on the Planning Board in Chichester, NH and is aware of the process and rules and regulations, as well as being aware of the conflict of interest but has not attended any Planning Board meetings.

Mr. Bellantone thought that he had to be here tomorrow night.

Chairperson Spiller said they have two candidates for the Planning Board and asked for nominations.

**COUNCILOR PELLETIER MOVED TO NOMINATE ROBERT KASZYNSKI FOR THE OPEN PLANNING BOARD SEAT, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR THOMSON.**

Chairperson Spiller asked if there were any other nominations.

Councilor Denault said this is a tough one – we have two experienced people.

**COUNCILOR DENAULT MOVED TO NOMINATE STEPHEN BELLANTONE TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM ON THE PLANNING BOARD AS WELL, SECONDED BY CHAIRPERSON SPILLER.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON NOMINATION OF ROBERT KASZYNSKI TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM ON THE PLANNING BOARD, AND VOTED 4-2 (COUNCILOR CLARK AND VICE-CHAIR BROCK VOTING IN OPPOSITION). MOTION CARRIES.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN ON NOMINATION OF STEPHEN BELLANTONE TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE PLANNING BOARD UNTIL 12/31/19 AND WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIES.**

Chairperson Spiller told Mr. Bellantone that he has been appointed to fill the unexpired term on the Planning Board until December 31, 2019.

Councilor Denault wanted to know, through the Chair to the Town Manager, if Mr. Kaszynski could stay in the pool since he has a lot of experience.

Chairperson Spiller thanked both and said the Council is aware that Mr. Kaszynski wants to stay in the pool.

## 10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. (020119-3) The Kittery Town Council moves to hold a public hearing and ordain amendments to Title 4- Boards, Commissions and Committees and to amend Council Rules.

Chairperson Spiller asked the Town Manager to give Council a quick overview.

Town Manager Amaral said this was on the “to do” list when she arrived. She said they have committees that no longer exist which was changed in the Town Charter in 2017. She said there was expressed frustration in the process and some may have not been consistent with the Charter. She said some Boards had financial responsibility.

Town Manager Amaral said they looked at the work done by prior Town Managers and Title 4 addresses all the issues that were raised and creates clarity. She said the appointment process for the Town Council has been changed and it adds two Committees created by the Town Council: the Sustainability Committee and the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee. She said that they recommend changes to the Council rules.

Chairperson Spiller opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

Tracy Hodgman, 4 Cromwell St. wanted to talk about Emery Field.

Chairperson Spiller said the public hearing is about amendments to Title 4 and she could come up when it is public discussion.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 30-A MRS, §3001 AND TOWN CHARTER, §2.07(3), THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 4 OF THE KITTERY TOWN CODE, AS PUBLICLY HEARD AND PRESENTED THIS EVENING, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR PELLETIER.**

Chairperson Spiller asked if Council had any comments or questions.

Vice-Chair Brock said that line 36, reads: Except for Planning Board and Board of Appeals applicants, the Council may waive the interview requirement for reappointments, alternates applying for full membership, and full members applying for alternate status, which is the current practice. He said the Town Charter requires all members be interviewed.

Town Manager Amaral said that all candidates be interviewed at once for re-appointments, so we still have to interview according to the Town Charter.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE OPPOSED, MOTION CARRIES.**

13. PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

a. Discussion by members of the public:

Chairperson Spiller opened the meeting for public discussion and asked if people's comments could be kept to three minutes.

Bill Pagum, 8 Cromwell St., said he saw a flatbed truck and men taking soil samples at Emery Field. He said he was surprised because he attended a meeting at the Kittery Rec Center where they were told the playground was being upgraded for the children as well as the athletic field and a lot of money has been spent on Emery Field. He said they put down levels of grass seed. He said his concern is that it will be changed to something different – like affordable workforce housing.

Mr. Pagum said that the area is congested and parking is congested and there are drainage problems. He said in the newspaper there has been discussion on 45 Woodlawn and 2 Cole Street for affordable housing. He said they have open space and a playground, which are vital assets to our neighborhood and to the town. He said he prefers to have that than more houses in a congested neighborhood.

Tracy Hodgman, 4 Cromwell Street, said she is an abutter and her concern is they cannot enhance their house because of the sewer issue, and they do not have the capability to serve more houses with electricity but if they are allowed to do that, she would like the opportunity to enhance her property and a lot more we can do to the neighborhood.

Ms. Hodgman wanted to know if there would be any more information that will come out?

Chairperson Spiller replied once everyone is done speaking, she would answer questions.

Ms. Hodgman said she is trying to find out if she will have the opportunity to exercise her democratic right to have this brought forward to a town vote.

Susan Emery, 5 School Lane, said she does not live in Admiralty Village, which is the town's first planned subdivision with Emery Field as open space. She said that parking is minimal by the Rec. building with wetlands.

Ms. Emery said that in 2009, saving Emery Field included a court case. She said the town was putting a rec center on that field and she thinks it is better a site where it is. She said the town removed permitted use of the school facility or the hospital and there are numerous special exceptions which includes multi-unit residential dwellings, which were eliminated.

Ms. Emery said she supports the Village residents and their concerns and encouraged Phase II so this area would evolve into a great area for the whole town. She said the town should consider flooding the field in the winter for ice skating and urged the Affordable Housing Initiative to look elsewhere.

Carol Lombardi, 105 Manson Ave., said she is an abutter and loves Emery Field. She showed a street map of Admiralty Village and urged the Town Council to protect Emery Field – which is not a site for affordable housing. She said it was a World War II housing project, owned by the United States of America and 250 single and duplex houses were built to house over 400 families and it was intended that Emery Field would be a recreational space. She said all the houses are still there and the neighborhood has grown with 3 dozen apartment buildings and two rows of three-story condos are at the end of Boush Street.

Ms. Lombardi said she understands that workforce housing is needed but Admiralty Village should be left out. She said Emery Field is our sanctuary and we need to preserve this site as they way in which it was originally intended.

Faye Gourley, 21 Woodlawn, said they have always had difficulty with drainage. She said it comes from the basal stone on the ledge. She said that the fragmites denote wetland and the fragmites used to fill the field until the town dumped excess snow removal and salt there. She said there is still drainage issues there and that this is not a well-chosen site (for more housing).

Ms. Gourley said the town should think of the families who live there and they may not have air-conditioning but they do have a field within walking distance.

Ms. Gourley said she loved the idea of a skating rink.

Chairperson Spiller said she received a letter from Suzanne Johnson and said she would read part of it. She said that Ms. Johnson wanted to be on the Library Transition Committee, and applied, but did not hear back from anyone. She said that Ms. Johnson did not support affordable housing by Emery Field.

c. Chairperson's response to public comments

Chairperson Spiller said that most of the comments were about Emery Field and wanted to let people know that the affordable housing project is a long, long way off. She said there has to be a feasibility study, maps of the wetland, taking soil samples and she does not think it is going to happen.

Chairperson Spiller said that Vice-Chair Brock may want to comment since he is the head of the Committee and knows more about it than she does.

Vice-Chair Brock said he appreciated their concerns but at this point there is no plan. He said the Affordable Workforce Housing Committee has been tasked to go and look at the old recreation building and we will do that. He said if they determine it is potentially feasible, he will be able to come forward and comment on it.

Councilor Denault said the Affordable Workforce Housing group is looking at the building, not Emery Field.

Vice-Chair Brock said that is his understanding.

Councilor Denault said he wanted to make sure that people understand and do not get panicky that it is about the field.

Vice-Chair Brock said he recalled discussion about green space in Admiralty Village and there is property at the rec center and to see if it is feasible.

Chairperson Spiller said regarding Suzanne Johnson's question on the Library – there will be an opportunity for residents to vote on whether or not they want to spend the money.

Councilor Clark said he spoke with the Affordable Workforce Housing group and asked if they could up a duplex house. He said his understanding is that it could be for two families, not 100 families. He said it could be used for putting up 50 units, but people should not get freaked out about this. He said he loved the idea of a skating rink.

## 12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 13. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Donations/gifts received for Council disposition.

- The Kittery Town Council moves to accept a Donation from York Hospital in the amount of \$9,250 to be deposited into account # 5003-43600 York Hospital Scholarship Fund.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL ACCEPT A DONATION FROM YORK HOSPITAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,250 TO BE DEPOSITED INTO ACCOUNT # 5003-43600 YORK HOSPITAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR PELLETIER. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

### b. (020119-4) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve the disbursement warrants.

Chairperson Spiller read the warrants: Town payable in the amount of \$228,668.91 and Sewer in the amount of \$10,091.38.

Chairperson Spiller asked Councilor Clark if he reviewed the town and sewer payables and if they are in the format for approval.

Councilor Clark replied yes, they are.

Chairperson Spiller read the School payable in the amount of \$335,821.77.

Chairperson Spiller asked Councilor Pelletier if he had reviewed the School payable and is it in the format for approval.

Councilor Pelletier replied yes, it is.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE DISBURSEMENT WARRANTS BE PAID AS READ, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR DENAULT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR BY A VOICE VOTE, AYE, 6-0. MOTION CARRIES.**

c. (020119-5) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve the 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Program in accordance with Town Charter Section 6.05 as presented.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE 2020-2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TOWN CHARTER, AS PRESENTED AND WITH THANKS FOR EFFORTS EXPENDED, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR DENAULT. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

d. (020119-6) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve the fiscal year 2020 Capital Improvement Program budget in accordance with Town Charter Section 6.04(2) in the amount of \$1,988,517.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 CIP BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,988,517 AS PRESENTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN CHARTER SEC. 6.04(2), SECONDED BY COUNCILOR DENAULT. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

e. (020119-7) The Kittery Town Council moves to affirm that requests for MMA Legal Services are restricted as presented.

Chairperson Spiller asked if the Town Manager could give Council a quick overview.

Town Manager Amaral said she received a phone call and they have been receiving requests from people that did not have a list and were seeking clarification. She said they added a couple of positions and updated the list for them.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES AND AFFIRMS THE LIST OF REQUESTS FOR MMA LEGAL SERVICES ARE RESTRICTED AS PRESENTED BY THE TOWN MANAGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR PELLETIER.**

Chairperson Spiller asked if Council wished to discuss this.

Councilor Thomson said, through the Chair to the Town Manager that the School Dept contacted MMA.

Town Manager Amaral said they are separate and have their own contact.

Vice-Chair Brock said in the event the Town Council determined they wanted a legal opinion on an issue, they would have to ask the Town Manager and she would have to forward our request to MMA.

Town Manager Amaral said that is how it has historically been done – all requests go through the Town Manager.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

f. (020119-8) The Kittery Town Council moves to appoint David Batchelder to the Library Building Committee with a term ending with the completion of work of that board.



**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPOINT DAVID BATCHELDER TO THE LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE WITH A TERM ENDING WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE WORK OF THAT BOARD, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR DENAULT. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

g. (020119-9) The Kittery Town Council moves to appoint George Dow as an associate member to the Parks Commission to a term expiring on 12/31/19.

Chairperson Spiller said he is currently a full member and would like to move to the associate level.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPOINT GEORGE DOW AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER TO THE PARKS COMMISSION FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 12/31/19, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR PELLETIER.**

Councilor Thomson had a question and asked if they need to unappoint him as a full member.

Chairperson Spiller asked the Town Manager to explain this.

Town Manager Amaral said she did not believe they needed to do that.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

h. (020119-10) The Kittery Town Council moves to appoint a representative to meet with the Chair of the Parks Commission to interview Shaye Robbins to be appointed to that board to fill an unexpired term ending 12/31/19.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPOINT SHAYE ROBBINS TO THE PARKS COMMISSION AS A FULL MEMBER, WITHOUT BENEFIT OF AN INTERVIEW, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 12/31/19, SECONDED BY COUNCILOR PELLETIER. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE, MOTION CARRIES.**

i. (020119-11) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve a request from the Kittery Harbourside Garden Club to place signage throughout Kittery, seven to ten business days prior to the event, to advertise their annual plant sale to be held on May 25, 2019.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE KITTERY HARBOURSIDE GARDEN CLUB TO PLACE SIGNAGE THROUGHOUT KITTERY, 7-10 BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT, TO ADVERTISE THEIR ANNUAL PLANT SALE TO BE HELD ON MAY 25, 2019. COUNCILOR PELLETIER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE. MOTION CARRIES.**

j. (020119-12) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve a request from the Kittery Rotary After Hours to place 10 signs at various locations throughout Kittery to advertise their St. Patrick's Day Dinner at the Kittery Fire Station on Sunday, March 17, 2019. Signs will be placed March 1, 2019 and removed on March 19, 2019.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE KITTERY ROTARY AFTER HOURS TO PLACE 10 SIGNS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT KITTERY TO ADVERTISE THEIR ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER AT THE KITTERY FIRE STATION ON SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019, TO BE PLACED MARCH 1-19, 2019. COUNCILOR PELLETIER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE, MOTION CARRIES.**

k. (020119-13) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve a request from Kittery Little League to hang a banner over Rogers Road in front of the Community Center from February 25, 2019 until March 8, 2019 to promote open registration for the League.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE KITTERYLITTLE LEAGUE TO HANG A BANNER OVER ROGERS ROAD IN FRONT OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER FROM FEBRUARY 25, 2019 UNTIL MARCH 8, 2019 TO PROMOTE OPEN REGISTRATION FOR THE LEAGUE. COUNCILOR PELLETIER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, MOTION CARRIES.**

l. (020119-14) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve a request from the Kittery Land Trust to hang a banner across Rogers Road from March 17, 2019 until March 31, 2019 to coincide with their annual March membership drive.

**COUNCILOR THOMSON MOVED THAT THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE A REQUEST FROM THE KITTERY LAND TRUST TO HANG A BANNER ACROSS ROGERS ROAD FROM MARCH 17-31, 2019 TO COINCIDE WITH THEIR ANNUAL MARCH MEMBERSHIP DRIVE. COUNCILOR PELLETIER SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE, MOTION CARRIES.**

m. (020119-15) The Kittery Town Council moves to approve a request from the Project Graduation Committee to hold a dump toll on Saturday, April 20, 2019 from 9am to 5pm with a rain date on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 9 am until 5 pm, and to place signage.

**COUNCILOR PELLETIER MOVED THAT THE KITTERY TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE PROJECT GRADUATION COMMITTEE TO HOLD A {VOLUNTARY} TOLL AT THE RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY ON SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2019 FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. WITH A RAIN DATE ON SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019 FROM 9 AM UNTIL 5 PM AND TO PLACE SIGNAGE. COUNCILOR THOMSON SECONDED THE MOTION. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN WITH ALL VOTING IN FAVOR, 6-0, NONE IN THE NEGATIVE, MOTION CARRIES.**

#### 14. COUNCILOR ISSUES OR COMMENTS

Councilor Denault said he received a noise complaint from Richard Balano, Ox Point Drive, which the Town Manager may have already received. He said they do have a noise ordinance on record as well as a sound ordinance, a junk yard ordinance and an ordinance regarding litter on homeowner's properties, and we have to make sure that they are seriously enforced.

Councilor Denault said that NH plates are still here in town and we have rules. He said they need to make sure that we are staying on top of them. He said years ago, he stayed on top of this, especially litter on properties.

Councilor Denault said he would like to thank Jeff Clifford and Cliff Perkins on the CIP Committee, who have brought so much – as Councilor Thomson has mentioned before – institutional knowledge with them. He said it has been phenomenal.

Councilor Denault said he would like to speak on behalf of Team Alex, a Kittery resident, Traip graduate, who works at the Kittery Animal Hospital and has helped with the stray cat program. He said she has been fighting a serious ailment and was in need of surgery in Boston for an ovarian cyst. He said she is no longer eligible for health care insurance under her parents and they have set up a Go Fund Me page. He said they have to raise \$250,000.

Councilor Denault said he will be donating his next Council check of \$250 to Team Alex and urged other Councilors to join him. He said people can find out more about it at the Kittery Animal Hospital.

Councilor Thomson said he would like to piggyback Councilor Denault's comments regarding Alex. He said he has spoken with her many times at the Kittery Animal Hospital as he has four cats. He said her case is a compelling reason why this country needs universal health care.

Councilor Thomson said last Fall, he received complaints about parking during the summer months on Badger's Island. He said we, as a body, need to do something about the parking on Badger's Island. He said this needs to be looked at.

Town Manager Amaral said they starting an outreach on this project and have a contact. She said they will meet with businesses and residents separately to hear comments and do a site tour with the Police Dept. and Public Works so they can develop a plan to address this issue.

Councilor Thomson said that tomorrow, February 12<sup>th</sup>, is our 16<sup>th</sup> President's birthday, and wished Abraham Lincoln happy 210<sup>th</sup> birthday. He said that he ranks as top of his list of favorite Republican presidents, which is a very short list. He added that February 22<sup>nd</sup> is the country's first President's birthday, George Washington, who will be 287 years old. He said there was a time when every school age child knew those two dates, but now it is Presidents' Day in place of their birthdays, which was contrived by the automobile industry dealerships and ski resorts in order to have a three-day weekend.

15. COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

- a. Communications from the Chairperson
- b. Committee Reports

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

17. ADJOURNMENT

**COUNCILOR PELLETIER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:34 P.M., SECONDED BY COUNCILOR THOMSON. ALL WERE IN FAVOR BY A VOICE VOTE, AYE, 6-0. MOTION CARRIES.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Boggiano  
Recording Secretary

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