

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER**

All members of the Council were present; Mayor Katz presided

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Boy Scout Troop 603, Augusta, Maine

Presentation - Betsy Sholl, Maine's Poet Laureate

Presentation - Recognition of Augusta Police Officers - Chief Wayne McCamish

Presentation - Recognition of Cony High School Bowling Team State Championships

Presentation - Lithgow Library Director Betsy Pohl on Capital Read 2009

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND TABLED

- 017 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the five criteria for approving an area rezoning, found in section 1.6.1.A.vii have been satisfied.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that the Augusta Land Use Ordinance be amended as follows:

The parcels shown as the "area of change" on the attached map entitled Proposed Zoning and dated December 30, 2008, shall be rezoned to Planned Development (PD). Parcels included are Tax Assessor's Map 48, Lots 3, 3-A, 3-B, 4, 5, 5-B, 6, 7, 8, 8-A, 8-B, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12-A, and the segment of railroad property that starts at Riggs Brook and runs south to Route 3.

Yeas: 3; Byron, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 5; Doore, Paradis, O'Brien, Rollins, Coffin

- 021 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the Planning Board held the required public hearing on a proposed amendment to the City's comprehensive plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta that the 2007 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Augusta be amended as follows:

Volume 1, pages 33 and 34 of the City of Augusta 2007 Comprehensive Plan, which are maps entitled Future Land Use and Future Land Use Detail, shall be amended to include the area north of Rt. 3, west of Riverside Drive, south of Riggs Brook, and east of the

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND TABLED (Con't)

Kennebec River as the same shade of brown, indicating mixed use development, as the area directly to the north of the modified area.

(NO MOTION TO REMOVE FROM TABLE)

NEW BUSINESS

037 ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held March 5, 2009 and March 9, 2009 submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

038 ORDERED, That Dr. Kathleen Petersen be appointed to the Lithgow Library Board of Trustees; said term to expire March 19, 2012.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

039 ORDERED, That \$350,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the Downtown TIF for the reconstruction of Winthrop Street from State Street to Sewall Street.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

040 ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to submit grant applications for stimulus money to be administered by the Kennebec County Soil and Water Conservation District. The grants are for funding of projects within the Bond Brook watershed that will improve the water quality and fish habitat. There is no local match required under this grant program. The projects that are anticipated to be included in these applications include the replacement of very old large culverts with arch structures on several tributaries to Bond Brook. There is also a proposed stream bank stabilization and restoration project along a portion of Bond Brook adjoining City owned properties.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

041 ORDERED, That the City Manager is authorized to accept grant funding for the Augusta State Airport in the total amount of \$465,000 for FAA/MDOT grant # AIP3-23-0003-20-2009 - Design of Runway Safety Area improvements and rehabilitation of runway 17/35.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Paradis, O'Brien
Rollins, Coffin, Munson, Stokes

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk
March 24, 2009