

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
**City Council of the City of Bath, Maine**  
**Wednesday, July 2, 2003 7:00pm**  
City Council Chambers, Bath City Hall

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Present: Councilors Hall, Blake, Hart, Daigle, Rogers, Mitchell and Chairman James.  
Absent: Councilors Winglass and Wyman

Also in attendance was the Acting City Manager – Paul Mateosian, Acting City Solicitor - Michael Therriault and City Clerk - Mary White.

Chairman James led the Pledge of Allegiance and City Clerk White called the Roll.

**C. Presentations: 7:03 PM #101**

Joseph Byrnes, Chairman of the Heritage Days Festival, gave an update of the schedule of events for the celebration and asked for volunteers.

David Smith, Chairman of Mid Coast Maine United Way, reported on a survey of the elderly of Bath regarding services and concerns. Some responses of concerns were more social contact, loneliness, safety and inability to do household tasks. Mr. Smith stated that the results show a significant level of distress among the elderly in Bath. The Task Force that did the survey will be meeting soon to discuss ways to address these issues.

Amy Segal of Terrance J. DeWaan Associates presented a master plan for the Waterfront Improvement Project. Goals of the master plan included providing safety and ease of access, to be an extension of the downtown area, to provide an opportunity to park and access local transportation, and to offer viable fishing pier, a walkway and a park.

**D. Committee Reports: 7:48 PM #1497**

Councilor Blake reported that the Skatepark Committee would be sponsoring a “Dunk Tank” during the Heritage Days Festival with the proceeds to go towards the purchase of fans for the Park.

**E. Correspondence/Petitions: 7:50 PM #1526**

There was no correspondence and no petitions.

**F. Time Devoted to Residents to Address the City Council: 7:50 PM #1534**

No one from the public spoke.

**G. Manager’s Report: 7:51 PM #1545**

The Acting City Manager spoke regarding the following subjects:

- Waterfront Park Dock and Floats
- Heritage Days Briefing

There was a brief discussion of the traffic patterns at the Washington and Centre Streets intersection.

**H. Consent Agenda: 8:00 PM #1866**

Motion by Councilor Blake, second by Councilor Mitchell to accept the minutes of the June 4, 11, 18 and 25 Council Meetings as presented.

**VOTE on Consent Agenda:**

**Yeas: 6**

**Nays: 0**

**Consent Agenda passed unanimously.**

**I. Ordinances, Resolutions and Orders: 8:02 PM #1885**

**Item I-2 – Approving Agreement with MDOT regarding the Carleton Bridge Project**

Motion by Councilor Hart, second by Councilor Mitchell to waive the reading of the agreement. All in favor.

Chairman James read the following:

The undersigned Municipal Officers of the **City of Bath** agree that a permit will be issued to the Contractor for the purpose of hauling loads in excess of the limits specified in Title 29 M.R.S.A. on Municipal roads as described in the “Construction Area” and that single move permits will be issued for moving Contractor’s construction equipment used on the project which exceeds the legal limits (backhoes, bulldozers, etc.) to sources of construction materials over municipal ways reasonably within the area of the project.

In the event that it is necessary to transport gravel, borrow or other construction material in legally registered vehicles carrying legal loads over municipal ways, a Contractor’s Bond of not more than Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000.00) per kilometer of traveled length may be required by the municipality; the exact amount of said bond to be determined prior to use of any municipal way.

The maximum speed limit for trucks on any municipal way will be forty (40) km per hour unless a higher legal limit is specifically agreed upon, in writing, by the Municipal officers.

Motion by Councilor Blake, second by Councilor Mitchell to put this item on the floor for discussion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Yeas:** Hall (reluctantly), Blake, Hart, Rogers, Mitchell

**Nays:** Daigle

**Passed 5-1**

**J. Old Business: 8:15 PM #2390**

There was no old business.

**K. New Business: 8:15 PM #2393**

K-3 Appointment of member to the Board of Assessment Review.  
Beverly Emero was reappointed to the Board with a term expiration in July 2006.

Councilor Mitchell brought up a parking safety issue at Somerset Place. There was consensus of the Council that the Police Chief should draft an ordinance addressing the issue and bring to Council for discussion.

Motion by Councilor Mitchell, second by Councilor Rogers to recess to workshop. All in favor.

Motion by Councilor Rogers, second by Councilor Mitchell to go into Executive Session. All in favor.

Motion by Councilor Mitchell, second by Councilor Rogers to come out of Executive Session. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM motion made by Councilor Mitchell and seconded by Councilor Rogers. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

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Mary J. White, City Clerk

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