

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
City Council of the City of Bath, Maine
Wednesday, June 11, 2008 6:00 pm
Council Chambers, Bath City Hall

Present: Councilors Cochrane, Eosco, Pagurko and Chairman Wyman
Excused: Councilors Omo, Rogers, Verville and Winglass

Also in attendance were the City Manager, William Giroux and City Clerk, Mary White.

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

I. PUBLIC HEARING: CDBG Business Assistance Grant regarding Gagne Foods of Bath 6:00PM

Chairman Wyman read the following Notice.

Public Hearing Notice
City of Bath For Two
CDBG Projects

The City of Bath City Council will hold two Public Hearings on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 6:01 P.M. on the third floor of City Hall in the City Council Chambers to report on the progress and receive questions regarding two CDBG Business Assistance Grants and a Development Fund Loan to assist two local businesses. The projects include: \$400,000 to Gagne Foods of Bath for the purchases of new equipment to expand the business and \$150,000 to Marnee's Cookies for the purchase of equipment and operating capital. Together, both businesses are creating at least 24 full-time jobs. Public comments will be solicited at these Hearings and will be submitted to the Department of Economic and Community Development Office of Community Development. All persons wishing to make comments or ask questions about these projects are invited to attend this Public Hearing and may also contact the City's CD Office at 55 Front Street, Bath ME 04530 or call 443-8372.

Chairman Wyman opened the public hearing.

Al Smith, CDBG Coordinator, stated this was part of the grant process to give and receive comments regarding this project. Mr. Smith said this was a 50/50 match of funding and the business has met its requirements.

Seeing no other comments Chairman Wyman closed the public hearing.

II. PUBLIC HEARING: CDBG Business Assistance Grant regarding Marnee's Cookies 6:02PM

Chairman Wyman opened the second public hearing.

Mr. Smith stated that Marnee's Cookies had also met their requirements of the grant.

Marnee thanked Council for their support and informed them that there would be a small segment on the Rachel Ray Show on July 3, 2008 regarding Marnee's Cookies.

III. Resolution: Preserve America Grant 6:05PM

Chairman Wyman read the following Resolution:

**Resolution to Endorse City of Bath
Application to Preserve America Grant**

WHEREAS, *Preserve America* is a White House initiative developed in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, The goals of this initiative include a greater shared knowledge about our Nation’s past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country’s irreplaceable cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of communities; and

WHEREAS, This initiative is compatible with our community’s interests and goals related to historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, The community has submitted an application for designation as a *Preserve America* Community in order to improve our community’s ability to protect and promote its historical resources; and

WHEREAS, The goals of this initiative include a greater shared knowledge about our Nation’s past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country’s irreplaceable cultural and historical heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of communities; and

WHEREAS, The City of Bath is interested in promoting the *Historical Markers Plus Project* in an effort to promote the cultural and historical assets of the City of Bath; now therefore be it resolved

RESOLVED, The Bath City Council hereby supports the grant application for *Preserve America* funds to assist the completion of *Historical Markers Plus*.

RESOLVED, that the City of Bath will protect and celebrate our heritage, use our historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

Motion by Councilor Pagurko, second by Councilor Eosco to put this Resolution on the floor for discussion.

City Manager William Giroux explained that a committee headed up by Robin Haynes was doing historical marking throughout the City.

VOTE on Resolution:

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

Resolution passed unanimously. 5-0

IV. Approving Tabulation of Election Returns of the State of Maine Primary/Referendum Election and RSU #1 Budget Verification Referendum Election held Tuesday, June 10, 2008

CITY OF BATH ELECTION TOTALS – June 10, 2008
STATE PRIMARY/REFERENDUM ELECTION

GREEN INDEPENDENT	TOTALS
United States Senator	
Write In	0

Representative to Congress (Dist 1)	
Write In	0
State Senator (Dist 19)	
Write In:	
Representative to the Legislature (Dist 62)	
Write In	0
Representative to the Legislature (Dist 65)	
Write In	0
Judge of Probate	
Write In	0
Register of Probate	
Write In	0
Sheriff	
Write In	0
DEMOCRAT	
United States Senator	
Allen, Thomas H.	604
Ledue, Thomas J.	71
Representative to Congress (Dist 1)	
Brennan, Michael F.	68
Cote, Adam Roland	156
Lawrence, Mark W.	21
Meister, Stephen J.	5
Pingree, Chellie	360
Strimling, Ethan King	85
State Senator (Dist 19)	
Goodall Seth A.	555
Representative to the Legislature (Dist 62)	
Watson, Thomas R.	545
Representative to the Legislature (Dist 65)	
Kent, Peter S.	75
Judge of Probate	
<i>Write In</i>	
Register of Probate	
Atwood, Joan M.	584
Sheriff	
Merry, Joel A.	581
REPUBLICAN	
United States Senator	
Collins, Susan M.	409
Representative to Congress (Dist 1)	
Scontras, C. Peter	167
Summers, Charles E.	260
State Senator (Dist 19)	
Benoit, Paula I.	409
Representative to the Legislature (Dist 62)	
Jones, William Andrew	322
Representative to the Legislature (Dist 65)	
Wasserott, Susan H.	29
Young, Carl J.	23
Judge of Probate	
Voorhees, John W.	407
Register of Probate	
<i>Write In</i>	
Sheriff	
Westrum, Mark Allen	369

STATE REFERENDUM

	TOTAL
Question 1: Bond Issue (Do you favor a \$29,725,000 bond issue for natural resource, agricultural and transportation infrastructure that will leverage \$29,780,000 in other funds?)	
YES	842
NO	420

Regional School Unit #1
Lower Kennebec River Region School Unit
BUDGET VALIDATION ELECTION
June 10, 2008

Do you favor approving the Lower Kennebec River Regional School Unit (RSU) budget for the upcoming school year that was adopted at the latest regional school unit budget meeting and that includes locally raise funds that exceed the required local contribution as described in the Essential program and Service so Funding Act:

Question 1	TOTALS
YES	837
NO	331

Total Registered Voters: 6,530

% of voter turnout: 19.5

Total who voted: 1,276

Councilor Mulligan motion to approve the election returns totals. Councilor Cochrane seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM with a motion from Councilor Pagurko and a second from Councilor Eosco. All were in favor.

Attest:

Mary J. White, City Clerk

Please note: These minutes are action only and not recorded verbatim. A tape recording of the meeting is available for review in the City Clerk's office during regular business hours.