

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
City Council of the City of Bath, Maine
Wednesday, September 17, 2008 6:00 pm
Second Floor Conference Room, Bath City Hall

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

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

I. Public Hearing: Application for Maine Maritime Museum for Riverfront Community Development Bond Program 6:00 PM

Public Hearing Notice City of Bath

The City of Bath will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 6:01 PM in the City Council Chamber 3rd Floor in City Hall (55 Front Street, Bath) to discuss an application being submitted on behalf of the Maine Maritime Museum to the State of Maine for the Riverfront Community Development Bond Program. The purpose of the grant application is to assist in the reconstruction of two piers on the Museum's Kennebec River waterfront, which are in dire need of restoration. These piers, known as the Fitting-Out Pier and the Zwicker Pier, are used extensively for educational programs and exhibits, while also providing access to and from the river. Public comments will be solicited at this Hearing and will be submitted as part of the application. All persons wishing to make comments or ask questions about the grant application are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Comments may be submitted in writing to: City of Bath, Attention CD Office, 55 Front Street, Bath, Maine 04530, any time prior to the Public Hearing.

Chairman Wyman opened the Public Hearing.

Al Smith, CDBG Coordinator, explained the bond application process.

Maine Maritime Museum Director, Amy Lent, reported to Council regarding the reason this bond was needed.

The following was information given to the Council:

MAINE MARITIME MUSEUM PIER RECONSTRUCTION

South Wharf

This work will consist of excavation and removal of the existing open face timber crib down to the mud line. The excavated stone will be stored on site and reused in the new structure. A new closed face timber crib will be constructed out of treated 12"x12" material and will be anchored by four treated southern yellow pine piles. Once the timber crib is constructed, thirteen new Greenheart fender piles will be driven and new chocking installed. Once the fender piles are fastened and the crib is filled with the recycled stone, the timber deck measuring 10.5 feet by 54 feet will be installed. Next, the stone for french drain material, non-woven geotextile, and untreated surface course will be installed. The final steps will be the installation of the timber curbing and reinstalling the platform and any signs removed for construction. The contractor will not be responsible for reinstalling the electrical service for the light post and platform.

Fitting-Out Pier

This work will consist of the removal of existing timber caps, timber floor system, fender system, and several support piles. All remaining piles being reused will be trimmed down to remove the top rot and timber spacer blocks will be added. The abutting land will be excavated back to install two courses of precast t-wall sections and then backfilled. New bracing will be installed to some of the piles and then heavy riprap will be placed in front of the t-wall sections. New southern yellow pine support piles will be driven and the treated timber floor system will be constructed. The final steps will be driving the twenty-six Greenheart fender piles, installing, loam, seeding the excavated areas, and reinstalling the shed, bollards and any signs removed for construction. The contractor will not be responsible for reinstalling the electrical service.

Seeing no further comment, Chairman Wyman closed the Public Hearing.

The Council gave unanimous consent to go forth with the application process.

II. Public Hearing: \$126,000 grant from State of Maine Municipal Investment Trust Fund program for the Water Street Infrastructure Project 6:10 PM

Public Hearing Notice
City of Bath Maine Investment Trust Fund Application

The City of Bath will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 6:05 P.M. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall 3rd floor to discuss and receive citizen input on a \$126,000 grant from the State of Maine Municipal Investment Trust Fund program. The grant will assist the City in implementing the Water Street Infrastructure Project to upgrade two downtown parking lots and will include new lighting and landscaping. The project will also construct new streetscapes including ADA compliant sidewalks, granite curbing, and landscaping. Public comments will be solicited at this Hearing and will be submitted to the Department of Economic and Community Development/Office of Community Development as part of the development phase. The City Council will also consider a resolution to accept the funds at the meeting. All persons wishing to make comments or ask questions about the project are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Comments may be submitted in writing to: the CD Office 55 Front Street, Bath, Maine 04530 or call 443- 8372 at any time prior to the Public Hearing.

Chairman Wyman opened the Public Hearing.

Al Smith, CDBG Coordinator, spoke regarding this stage of the grant process.

Jonathan Edgerton of Wright-Pierce gave a brief overview of the site plan for the project.

Seeing no further comment, Chairman Wyman closed the Public Hearing.

III. Resolution: MITF Grant to the DECD for the Water Street Improvement Project 6:23 PM

Chairman Wyman read the following Resolution:

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Bath has been selected to receive a Maine Investment Trust Fund Grant (MITF) by the Department of Economic and Community Development to help implement the Water Street Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the planning process required by Maine Law have been complied with, including participation in the planning process by members of the community and the City has conducted at least one duly advertised public hearing; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Bath that the City Manager:

- 1) Is authorized and directed to submit all Materials for the MITF Grant of \$126,000 to the Department of Economic and Community Development on behalf of the City of Bath
- 2) Is authorized to make assurances on behalf of the City of Bath required as part of the MITF program and
- 3) Is authorized and directed, upon acceptance of said funds to carry out the duties and responsibilities for implementing the said program, consistent with the Charter of the City of Bath and the laws and regulations governing planning and implementation of the Maine Investment Trust Funds program in the State of Maine.

Councilor Pagurko made a motion to put this item on the floor for discussion. Councilor Eosco seconded the motion.

There was no discussion.

VOTE ON RESOLUTION:

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

Resolution passed unanimously. 5-0

**IV. Appointment of 2 members to the Bath Housing Authority Board of Directors: 6:25 PM
1 Housing Representative for term to expire February 2013
1 Member to fill out term to expire February 2009**

Councilor Pagurko nominated Frederick Clarke as the Housing Representative. Councilor Omo seconded the nomination.

Vote on Appointment:

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

Appointment passed unanimously. 5-0

Councilor Pagurko nominated Michael Field to fill the Board Member position. Councilor Omo seconded the nomination.

Vote on Appointment:

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

Appointment passed unanimously. 5-0

The meeting adjourned to workshop at 6:26 PM with a motion from Councilor Pagurko and a second from Councilor Omo. All were in favor of the motion.

Attest:

Mary J. White, City Clerk

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