

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
Bath City Council
Wednesday, September 18, 2019 6:15 PM
Council Chambers
Bath City Hall

Councilors Present: Councilors Bailey, Nordmann, Leonard, Comeau, Bauer, Ambrosino and Madame Chair Eosco
Councilor Paulhus was excused.

Also, in attendance, were the City Manager, Peter Owen, City Solicitor, Roger Therriault and City Clerk, Mary C. Howe

I. Public Hearing on a proposed amendment to the Charter of the City of Bath

At 6:15 p.m., Madame Chair Eosco opened the public hearing for the proposed amendment of the City of Bath's Charter to the public for comments and there were none. She closed the public hearing @ 6:16 p.m.

Marc Meyers, Assistant City Manager, stated that the agreement with ReVision Energy, on a solar energy power purchase to offset electricity costs and reduce carbon pollution, would require a twenty-five (25) year contract agreement with the City. As the Charter reads now, provisions say that no contract shall be longer than five (5) years. The Charter Amendment would waive the five (5) year limitation with the majority of the Council's vote. Roger Therriault, City Solicitor, stated that the amendment could be beneficial for anything in the future, not just with ReVision Energy and it would give the ability to extend contracts beyond the five (5) year restriction that currently exists. This Charter amendment will give the Council the option to enter into this agreement.

Madame Chair Eosco asked for a motion for this amendment to be put on the ballot in November.

Councilor Bauer made the motion and it was seconded by Councilor Bailey.

VOTE ON AMENDING THE CHARTER:

YEAS: 6

NAYS: 0

All were in favor of the amending the Charter.

Madame Chair Eosco asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting and go into the workshop.

Councilor Park made the motion and it was seconded by Councilor Bailey.

All were in favor to go into the workshop.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Workshop adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Attest:

Mary C. Howe

City Clerk

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