

**TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA
October 19, 2020
Moose Hill Council Chambers
7:00 P.M.**

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1.) NHDOT Project NH 28/Stonehenge Rd. Presentation
Presented by NHDOT

C. PUBLIC HEARING

D. NEW BUSINESS

E. OLD BUSINESS

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of October 5, 2020 Town Council Minutes

G. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

- 1.) Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment
- 2.) Interview of Ryan Prudhomme for Traffic Safety Committee

H. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Liaison Reports
2. Town Manager Report
3. Assistant Town Manager Report

I. ADJOURNMENT

J. MEETING SCHEDULE

- A. Town Council Meeting – 11/02/20
Moose Hill Council Chambers, 7:00PM
- B. Town Council Meeting – 11/16/2020
Moose Hill Council Chambers, 7:00PM

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1 October 5, 2020

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3 The meeting took place in Moose Hill Council Chambers at Town.

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5 Present: Chairman John Farrell; Vice Chairman Joe Green; Councilor Tom Dolan, Jim
6 Butler and Deb Paul; Town Manager Kevin Smith; Executive Assistant Kirby Brown;
7 Absent; Assistant Town Manager Lisa Drabik

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9 CALL TO ORDER

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11 Chairman Farrell called the Town Council meeting to order. This was followed by the
12 Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a moment of silence for Londonderry Police
13 Chief Bill Hart's father, Doctor Hart, who passed away recently. Dr. Hart started a medical
14 practice in Plaistow, NH over 60 years ago. Moment of silence was held for Dr. Hart.

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16 PUBLIC COMMENT

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18 Steven Lewis, 95 May St, Atkinson, spoke about his project, Sandborn Crossing Senior
19 Living. Lewis stated that his project is now complete. It's occupying it now. Lewis stated
20 that he would like the Councilors to take a walk through to see it. Lewis stated that the
21 project is low income tax credits. It's rent capped. Lewis stated that there was also a state
22 bond because it was a large project. The land was a brown field and it took a while to go
23 through all of the processes. The project is now finished. Lewis urged the Council to walk
24 through. HUD determines the rent. Residents don't pay any utilities besides phone and
25 cable. Chairman Farrell stated that he is waving the five-minute limit for this presentation.
26 Vice Chairman Green thanked Lewis for his hard work and for the project. Green also
27 thanks Senior Center Director Cathy Blash for the connect that we made. She's also part of
28 Senior Affairs Committee and this project came out of that.

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30 John Best, 27 Atlas Place, stated that no matter what an RSA says, the supreme law in
31 United States is the Declaration of Independence which says that government gets their
32 powers from the consent of the government and he does not consent to anyone making a
33 mask rule that can effect his health. Best stated that as far as he knows, masks are hazardous
34 to peoples health. Best called Covid a hoax. Best stated that the Council should watch a

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35 video that is from a doctor, titled “Crimes Against Humanity”. Best stated that he doesn’t
36 understand why people are wearing masks. Chairman Farrell suggested to Best to stick
37 around to see what the Council does with the Ordinance.

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39 Ann Chiampa, 28 Wedgewood Drive, stated that she would like to say a few words about
40 the Planning Board appointments. Chiampa gave a little background about herself and why
41 she should be appointed as a full member of the Planning Board. Chairman Farrell lifted the
42 five-minute limit for Chiampa to proceed. Chiampa went over her history with all she has
43 done in Londonderry and on various boards and committees. Chiampa stated that she has
44 only missed a few meetings in the last few years, even while battling cancer. Chiampa asked
45 that the Council appoint her to Mary Wing Soares term now and honor the Planning Boards
46 vote to fill her seat. Councilor Dolan motioned to Ann Chiampa to fill Mary Wing Soares
47 full member seat on the Planning Board with an expiration date of 12/31/2020. Second by
48 Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0. Chiampa thanked the Council.

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PUBLIC HEARING

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NONE

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NEW BUSINESS

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56 Chairman Farrell introduced Ordinance #2020-04, an emergency Ordinance regarding face
57 coverings and masks. Town Manager Smith presented. Smith stated that this Ordinance was
58 drafted with the town attorneys’ input. It’s a vert generic Ordinance, similar to other towns
59 Ordinances. This one contains a trigger provision, where the Councils direction from the
60 last meeting upon notification of the EMD or other public health official of there being
61 increase community spread, the Council will vote on whether on enact the Ordinance. Smith
62 stated that if the Ordinance is adopted, it will stay on the books unless or until, we need it.
63 At that point it is just a tool in the tool box.

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65 Chairman Farrell stated that the fines are light. Councilor Dolan stated that this Ordinance
66 only covers Covid-19. So once it goes away by heard immunity or vaccines, the way this is
67 written is you can only enforce masks during Covid-19. Councilor Dolan suggested making
68 the Ordinance more generic to other diseases or sicknesses and this history of the document

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69 can go back to the pandemic. Smith stated that the idea was run by the town attorney but it
70 will be a legal challenge. It needs to be tied to something more specific. Councilor Paul
71 asked for examples of what some of the triggers may be. Chief Darren O'Brien stated that
72 if there was a rise in cases. Chief O'Brien stated that he gets the number of cases daily.
73 Chief O'Brien stated that the cases have been pretty steady over the last month and a half.
74 There are currently six addresses in town and a couple school occupants. Chief O'Brien
75 stated that if there was a massive increase, that's a trigger. Or if the state finds a trigger.
76 Councilor Butler stated that the decision will be the boards decision, not just the chiefs and
77 it's hard to outline triggers. Chairmen Farrell stated that his opinion is there isn't enough
78 information right now to implement an Ordinance. The Council is just starting to shorten
79 the time that it would take to have a public hearing in case we ever need it.

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81 Motion to table Ordinance #2020-04 indefinitely made by Vice Chairman Green and second
82 by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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OLD BUSINESS

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NONE

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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90 Motion to approve the Town Council minutes, with Ann Chiampa's amendment, from
91 September 28, 2020 made by Councilor Dolan and second by Councilor Paul. Chair votes
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APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

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96 Chairman Farrell went through the Planning Board appointments.

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98 Motion to appoint Jeff Penta to the full-time position on the Planning Board with a term
99 ending 12/31/2021 and Jason Knights for the alternate position with a term ending
100 12/31/2021. Second by Councilor Dolan. Chair votes 4-1-0. Councilor Paul voted against.

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102 The Council interviewed David Armstrong, 30 Sherwood Dr, and Irene Macarelli, 99
103 High Range Rd, for the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

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105 Brendan O'Brien who is an alternate on the ZBA now and expressed interest in moving up
106 to the full position. Councilor Dolan motioned to move O'Brien up to the full-time
107 position. Second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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109 This opens up an alternate position to be filled. Councilor Paul motioned to table to ZBA
110 appointment. Second by Councilor Butler. Chair votes 5-0-0.

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112 ADJOURNMENT

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114 Town Manager Smith stated that all of the reimbursement Covid related expenses to the
115 small businesses in town have all been awarded. There is a press release on the town's
116 website. In total, over \$50,000 was awarded to small businesses.

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118 Motion to adjourn made by Councilor Dolan and seconded by Councilor Paul. Chair votes
119 5-0-0.

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121 Notes and Tapes by: Kirby Brown Date: 10/05/2020

122 Minutes Typed by: Kirby Brown Date: 10/12/2020

123 Approved by: Town Council Date: 10/19/2020