

# MINUTES

Cumberland Town Council Meeting

Town Council Chambers

**MONDAY, April 14, 2014**

**6:30 P.M. Workshop** with the Town Attorney re: Friend's School Payment In Lieu of Taxes and Conduit Financing.

## **7:00 P.M. Call to Order**

**Present:** Councilors Stiles, Gruber, Copp, Storey-King, Edes, Turner and Bingham

### **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Councilor Bingham, seconded by Councilor Gruber, to accept the March 24, 2014 minutes as presented.

VOTE: 7-0                      UNANIMOUS

### **II. MANAGER'S REPORT**

Town Manager Shane said that he spoke to the Windham Town Manager this afternoon regarding the concerns of our Fire Chief with the road conditions around Forest Lake. One road in particular is impassable due to 18 inches of mud. There is no way that our emergency vehicles could travel the road without getting stuck and causing damage. Town Manager Shane suggested that a Council subcommittee be formed to review the agreement from 1983 and update it.

He urged residents to sign up for natural gas and not wait for instructions from the Town on how to do so. In order to have natural gas by the next heating season, you have to be signed up by the end of May. Neighborhoods should be getting together and talking to Summit Natural Gas. Summit has been going door to door to answer question. Contact information for Summit is available at Town Hall.

Nomination papers are due in 2 weeks. Anyone interested in running for Town Council or School Board should see the Town Clerk for more information.

### **III. PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

None

### **IV. LEGISLATION AND POLICY**

#### **14 – 050 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Conduit Financing request from the Friend's School.**

Town Manager Shane explained that the Town Attorney met with the Council in workshop this evening and briefed them on Conduit Financing and how it works. It allows non-profit's, like the Friend's School, to use the Town's good credit to their benefit. It is allowed by the IRS and the State. The Friend's School will be going to the Finance Authority of Maine to get approval to borrow up to 2.7 million dollars. The Town will have absolutely no obligation to repay any of the loans. It is entirely the responsibility of the Friend's School.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing

Motion by Councilor Edes, seconded by Councilor Copp, to adopt the Inducement Resolution of the Town of Cumberland declaring its official intent with respect to issuance of its revenue obligation securities to finance the Friend's School of Portland project and authorize the Town Manager to execute necessary agreements as outlined in the resolution by the Town Attorney.

VOTE: 7-0                      UNANIMOUS

**14 – 051    To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on authorizing a Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for the Friend's School.**

The Friend's School is tax exempt and has agreed to a payment in lieu of taxes for public services. They will contribute \$5,000 for the first 4 years, then 85% of the non-school and county mil rate.

We are very appreciative that they have come forward and offered the PILOT as part of their stewardship to our community.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Turner made the following motion, Councilor Bingham seconded:

**WHEREAS**, the Cumberland Council has adopted an Inducement Resolution in regard to the issuance of certain Revenue Obligation Securities for the Friends School of Portland; and

**WHEREAS**, in consideration of this action the Friends School of Portland has agreed to develop a school on Route One in Cumberland; and

**WHEREAS**, said School would be exempt from property taxes unless the parties negotiated an Agreement for payments in lieu of taxes pursuant to Cumberland's Ordinance to Authorize Service Charges adopted January 27, 2014 (PILOT Ordinance).

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Cumberland Town Council hereby ratifies and approves that certain Agreement Regarding Property Tax entered into by the Town Manager with the Friends School of Portland on April 7, 2014, attached hereto.

VOTE: 7-0                      UNANIMOUS

**14 – 052    To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on amendments to the 2009 Comprehensive Plan.**

Councilor Storey-King said that the amendments are proposed new actions to update the Comprehensive Plan are as follows:

**2014 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

	Font Color Key
Red	Proposed New Language (for 2014 Updated Plan)
Black	Existing Language (in current 2009 Plan)
Green	Completed Actions from 2009 Plan
Blue	Proposed Language to be deleted (from 2009 Plan)

## CHAPTER 3: HOUSING

### GOAL:

Continue to encourage the development of housing which provides for a mix of people from all income strata, ages, trades and professions.

### Proposed New Actions:

- Work with potential developers to create rental housing for young people (ages 20-30) so that they have an affordable and flexible option for housing should they wish to live in Cumberland following high school or college.
- Consider establishing an Affordable Housing Overlay Zone in West Cumberland near the Industrial District. This would allow for greater density thereby reducing the cost per unit of new housing.
- Continue to work with potential developers for the construction of Phase 2 of the Village Green Revitalization plan. This phase could include rental housing to fit the needs of the growing number of single resident households. Studio (efficiencies) and one bedroom units located above ground floor retail or office space would be desirable.
- Continue to expand options for the creation of accessory dwelling units. These units could be created within larger single family homes or in detached structures on a parcel with an existing house located on it.
- Consider ways to support the development of a continuum of care facility.

### 2009 Comprehensive Plan Housing Actions (to remain in the plan):

- Consider providing incentives to developers who create a portion of the lots for buyers who meet affordable income guidelines.
- Provide incentives for the construction of smaller, single family homes.

### 2009 Completed Actions:

- ~~1. Exempt homes under 1500 sq. ft. from the Growth Management and Impact Fee Ordinances.~~
- ~~2. Develop a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the build-out of the Doane property that would include construction of affordable housing units for all age groups and income levels. Explore feasibility of creating units for handicapped residents. Include both ownership and rental units.~~

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## CHAPTER 5: PUBLIC FACILITIES

### Proposed New Goals and Actions:

### GOAL:

Ensure that all town roads are brought up to acceptable standards and then maintained in good condition to reduce the need for expensive rebuilding of roads.

### ACTIONS:

1. Continue implementation of the paving plan schedule through annual funding as called for in the Capital Improvement Plan.
2. Continue to partner with the Maine Department of Transportation to acquire state funds to assist with State-owned road projects.
3. Continue to work with PACTS (Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System) to secure available federal transportation money to assist with town projects.

**GOAL:**

**Continue to work with providers of natural gas so that gas is available to as many areas of town as possible.**

**ACTIONS:**

- 1. Continue and build an aggressive education program for natural gas connections.**
- 2. Develop long range plans to reach all Cumberland residents.**
- 3. Set aside annually monies from revenues collected from gas main infrastructure to assist in home energy audits for residents not receiving natural gas services.**
- 4. Continue to work with the Energy Advisory Committee to find alternative ways to achieve energy savings through all alternative sources of fuels.**

**GOAL:**

**Consider expansion of the public water and sewer system so that environmentally sensitive areas are protected; to stimulate or provide for economic development; and to provide safe drinking water to areas that have had water quality problems in the past.**

**ACTIONS:**

1. Expand public water along Blackstrap Road and along Route 100 north to the Gray town line.
2. Continue expansion of public water in West Cumberland. Extend water from its current terminus at the West Cumberland Fire Station across turnpike, to the Uppper Methodist Road and Goose Pond Road.
3. Extend water to the Corey Road Business Park from its current terminus at Winn Rd/Rt.9 and Rt. 9/Wyman Way.
4. Extend water along Middle road from Tuttle to Falmouth town line.
5. Extend water in the upper Bruce Hill and Pleasant Valley roads area.
6. Consider funding to assist residents in separating foundation drains and sump pumps from the sewer system.

**2009 Comprehensive Plan Public Facility Goals and Actions (TO REMAIN IN PLACE):**

**GOAL: Continue to provide high quality municipal services to town residents in the most cost efficient way.**

**ACTION:**

Continue to explore further opportunities for regional consolidation of services.

**GOAL: To provide community facilities sufficient to meet the needs of the town government and its citizens. Examples include town buildings, Val Halla Golf and Recreation Center, Twin Brook Recreation Center, the Rines Forest, and the schools.**

**ACTIONS:**

1. Explore opportunities for oceanfront access.
2. Consider assisting in the development of a community center for use by all age groups in the town.
3. Consider expanding Community Education opportunities to senior residents.

**GOAL: Encourage higher density development to areas which are served by public water and sewer.**

**ACTION:**

Consider providing a density bonus for developments that agree to extend or connect to public water and/or sewer.

**GOAL:** Manage growth so that public services can be effectively and efficiently provided.

**ACTIONS:**

1. Continue to monitor the effectiveness of the Growth and Impact Fee Ordinance.
2. Recommend to the Town Council that new subdivision roads not be accepted as public roads.

## **CHAPTER 13: LAND USE CHAPTER**

**Proposed New Goals and Actions:**

~~**GOAL:** Work to create local land use regulations that do not unnecessarily increase the cost of new, affordable housing.~~

~~**Actions:**~~

- ~~• Consider revising the two rural residential zones. Delete the RR 1 zone which requires a 4 acre minimum lot size and also delete the RR 2 zoning district. Replace these two zones with one zone “Rural Residential” that requires a two-acre minimum lot size.~~
- ~~• Reduce the cost for connecting into public water and sewer where available.~~

~~**GOAL:** Consider allowing additional uses to the Route 1 commercial districts to allow for support services for employees of the businesses located there, as well as for the entire community to utilize.~~

~~**Action:**~~

- ~~• Consider adding Retail (limited to 3500 s.f.) and Restaurants (limited to 3500 s.f.). Ensure that all new development conforms to the Route 1 Design Guidelines and standards for hours of operation, number of seat, parking, lighting and signage.~~

~~**GOAL:** Continue to work to create opportunities for the development of affordable housing.~~

- ~~• Action: Consider establishing an Affordable Housing Overlay Zone in West Cumberland~~

~~**Goal:** Consider ways to provide affordable public transportation~~

- ~~• Action: Explore opportunities for bus service between and among surrounding communities so that residents of all ages are able to travel around the area without the need for a private vehicle.~~

***2009 Comprehensive Plan Goals and Actions (TO REMAIN IN PLAN):***

**GOAL:** To connect the major roads in town to conserve fuel and allow for more efficient and convenient vehicle, bike and pedestrian travel.

**ACTION:** Inventory potential connections between the following roads:

- Greely and Tuttle
- Tuttle and lower Rt. 9 (via Harris Rd.)
- ~~• Tuttle and upper Rt. 9 (via the former Doane parcel) (Complete)~~
- Greely Road Extension and Pleasant Valley Road.

**GOAL :**

**Work towards creating a more “livable” community.**

**ACTIONS:**

1. Strive to create a mix of homes, jobs, services and amenities in areas with proximity to town services.
2. Encourage diversity within the community by adopting affordable housing zoning provisions.

3. Encourage/allow for a variety of housing types to meet the needs of single residents, young families and seniors so that the ability to stay in the community for a lifetime is possible for all income levels.
4. Have pedestrian/bike friendly connections within densely developed residential areas and within commercial areas. Connect the two whenever possible.
5. Facilitate the development of mixed use projects.
6. Maintain existing trail systems with the town and where possible, connect trails.
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**GOAL: Reduce dependence on cars and encourage safe, non-vehicular transportation for all age groups.**

**ACTIONS:**

1. Interconnect new subdivisions with existing ones or leave connections to undeveloped sites.
2. Work to link existing trails by strengthening ordinance language. Delete reference to Greenbelt Map, instead state “any observable trail shall be preserved in its existing location or relocated on the site in such a way as to preserve the existing trail connection.”
3. Develop bike/pedestrian ways along all major roads so that residents are able to get to the town center, major recreational areas, commercial areas and jobs.

**GOAL: To encourage the preservation of land that is suitable for agricultural use.**

**ACTION:** Create a Farmland Overlay for lots greater than 10 acres or on which the current use is agricultural. This overlay will then require that any subdivision developments within the area conform to the Conservation Subdivision Ordinance.

**GOAL: Require that future subdivisions be designed so as to preserve or protect agricultural use, environmentally sensitive land, and scenic areas while clustering homes in areas of least visibility from the roadways.**

**ACTIONS:**

Adopt a Conservation Subdivision Ordinance to protect the above types of land and to site homes in areas of least visibility from roadways.

*Note: The following goals and actions have been completed.*

**GOAL 6:**

~~Encourage non-residential development in commercial and industrial zones to diversify the tax base.~~

**ACTIONS:**

- ~~1. Establish a mixed use zone on the town owned land at the end of Drowne Road.~~
- ~~2. Create a simplified process for small projects that require site plan review.~~
- ~~3. Consider having a staff review process for small projects or changes to existing plans.~~

**GOAL 7:**

~~Simplify the site plan review process so that small projects may be processed with a minimum amount of time and cost to the applicant.~~

**ACTIONS:**

- ~~1. Develop procedure for staff review of small projects.~~
- ~~2. Develop a reduced list of submission requirements rather than create a need for waivers to be granted by Planning Board for unnecessary materials.~~

**NOTE:** The following action is proposed to be removed from the plan. Reason: There are certain types of parcel configurations that do not lend themselves to a cluster design which requires an internal road system, therefore retention of the traditional design is proposed.





*The Ad Hoc Land Use Advisory Committee shall review and make recommendations to the Town Council on the following:*

- 1. The two rural residential zoning districts (RR 1 and RR 2) including but not limited to, their location, boundaries, lot standards, and allowed uses. The committee will also review the provisions of Section 315-6 (G) and 315-6B-(G) and consider if any changes should be made to the existing Rural and Growth areas as contained in the 2009 Comprehensive Plan.*
- 2. The Office Commercial (OC-S and OC-N) districts located on Route 1, including but not limited to, the location of the districts, the land uses allowed and lot standard requirements. The committee will also review the current Route 1 Design Guidelines*
- 3. Consider if a Conservation Subdivision ordinance should be adopted and, if so, where and how the provisions would apply (e.g., subdivisions? Site Plans? Rural/Growth areas only?) .*
- 4. Assist in the development and administration of a town-wide survey on issues relating to land use regulation.*

*The Committee shall provide the recommended changes to the Town Council by January, 2015.*

Councilor Copp said that he feels the committee should be limited to 12-14 people. If the committee is too large, it will be difficult to get anything done in the time allotted. He urged residents who are interested to please apply.

Motion by Councilor Storey-King, seconded by Councilor Bingham, to direct the Town Manager to advertise for a new Land Advisory Committee with the attached Council Charge and time line.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 055 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on draft zoning amendments to section 315-6A (1)(x) and section 316-6B (1)(w) Rural Residential I and II Districts (Outdoor recreational facilities subject to site plan review **if required**), and section 315-15B (4) and section 315-16B (4) Village Office Commercial I and II (Outdoor recreation facilities subject to site plan review, **if required**), as recommended by the Planning Board.**

Town Manager Shane explained that some small projects do not require site plan review, so the addition of “if required” is simply a housekeeping issue.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

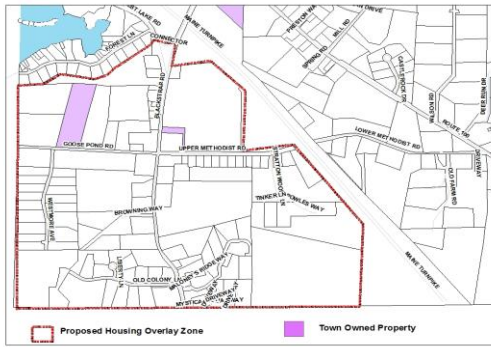
Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Bingham, seconded by Councilor Gruber, to amend section 315-6A (1)(x) and section 316-6B (1)(w) Rural Residential I and II Districts (Outdoor recreational facilities subject to site plan review **if required**), and section 315-15B (4) and section 315-16B (4) Village Office Commercial I and II (Outdoor recreation facilities **subject to site plan review if required**), as recommended by the Planning Board.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 056 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on draft zoning amendments to Chapter 315, Article III (Overlay Districts) to add section 315-29 (West Cumberland Housing Overlay Zone) to the Cumberland Code and update the Cumberland Official Overlay Zoning Map, as recommended by the Planning Board.**





Town Manager Shane explained that the Planning Board supported this plan to make a housing overlay district west of the Turnpike. Since public water will be required with any new development in this district, it will protect our aquifer.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Bingham, seconded by Councilor Turner, to amend Chapter 315, Article III (Overlay Districts) to add section 315-29 (West Cumberland Housing Overlay Zone) to the Cumberland Code and update the Cumberland Official Overlay Zoning Map, as recommended by the Planning Board.

VOTE: 6-0-1 (Copp abstained) MOTION PASSES

**14 – 057 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for “Girls on the Run” Maine 5K race to be held at the Cumberland Fairgrounds on June 8, 2014.**

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Storey-King, seconded by Councilor Gruber, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for “Girls on the Run” Maine 5K race to be held at the Cumberland Fairgrounds on June 8, 2014.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 058 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for the Penobscot Valley Kennel Club’s Chickadee Classic Dog Show to be held at the Cumberland Fairgrounds, June 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014.**

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Storey-King, seconded by Councilor Gruber, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for the Penobscot Valley Kennel Club’s Chickadee Classic Dog Show to be held at the Cumberland Fairgrounds, June 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 059 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for Binnie Media’s Maine’s Ultimate Yard Sale to be held on May 31, 2014 at the Cumberland Fairgrounds.**

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Storey-King, seconded by Councilor Gruber, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for Binnie Media’s Maine’s Ultimate Yard Sale to be held on May 31, 2014 at the Cumberland Fairgrounds.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 060 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for the Cumberland Youth Lacrosse Boy’s Lacrosse Jamboree to be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Twin Brook.**

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Copp, seconded by Councilor Turner, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for the Cumberland Youth Lacrosse Boy’s Lacrosse Jamboree to be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Twin Brook.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 061 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for the Cumberland Youth Lacrosse Girl’s Youth Round Robin to be held on May 17<sup>th</sup> at Twin Brook.**

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Copp, seconded by Councilor Turner, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for the Cumberland Youth Lacrosse Girl’s Youth Round Robin to be held on May 17<sup>th</sup> at Twin Brook.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 062 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on authorizing the Code Enforcement Officer to execute a Consent Agreement with property owners located at 60 Autumn Ridge Road.**

Town Manager Shane explained that the Code Enforcement Officer and Town Attorney have reviewed the Consent Agreement and are recommending a \$500 payment upon approval of the agreement.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Bingham, seconded by Councilor Edes, to authorize the Code Enforcement Officer to execute the attached Consent Agreement with property owners located at 60 Autumn Ridge Road.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 063 To appoint a member to the Coastal Waters Commission and Rines Forest Advisory Committee.**

Motion by Councilor Copp, seconded by Councilor Bingham, to appoint Mark Sprague to the Coastal Waters Commission and Ben Waterhouse to the Rines Forest Advisory Committee.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 064 To hear a report from the Ordinance Committee re: dogs at large.**

Councilor Storey-King reported that there have been complaints about packs of dogs being allowed to run free at Twin Brook and at Val Halla. The Ordinance Committee looked at the issue and came up with a good compromise (below):

**Chapter 200. ROADS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY**

**Article I. Roads and Town-Owned Property**

**§ 200-2. Animals at large.**

Whoever, being the owner or person having the care of any sheep, swine, horses, oxen, cows, or other grazing animals, **shall permit or suffer** them to go at large or to graze on any street, lane, park, square, cemetery or other public place within the limits of the Town of Cumberland, or permit any such animal to go or stand upon any sidewalk therein, and whoever shall fasten any horse or other grazing animal to any tree growing in any street, public way or park within said limits, shall be ~~punished~~ subject to violations as provided in § 200-5.

Dogs shall be considered at large when on public property or a public street unless controlled by a leash of not more than 25 **15** feet in length or under voice control. Voice control shall mean that the dog returns immediately to and remains by the side of the owner in response to the owner's verbal command. Owner shall mean any person who is an actual owner of a dog or is in possession or keeping of a dog on public property. No more than two dogs shall be under the voice control of one owner at one time while on public property.

Public property shall mean all land owned by the Town of Cumberland, including without limitation Twin Brook Recreation Area, the Rines Forest, the Town Forest, West Cumberland Field and Val Halla Golf Course and Recreation Center. All additional regulations and policies as adopted by the Town Council for specific public property also apply to animals at large and owners.

**Chapter 17. ANIMAL CONTROL**

**§ 17-3. Dogs at large.**

It is unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to be at large, except when used for hunting. The owner of any dog found at large shall be subject to the civil penalties provided in Title 7, Chapter 719, of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated. Dogs at large found on public property are also subject to the regulations set forth in Section 200-2 of this Code.

**§ 200-5. Violations and penalties.**

Whoever violates § 200-1, 200-2 or 200-3 of this article shall be punished by a fine of not less than **\$50** **\$100** nor more than \$250.

These amendments will be acted upon at the next meeting.

**14 – 065 To set a Public Hearing date (April 28<sup>th</sup>) to consider and act on amendments to Chapter 200 (Roads and Public Property), Section 2 (Animals at large), of the Cumberland Code.**

Motion by Councilor Bingham, seconded by Councilor Turner, to set a Public Hearing date of April 28<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on amendments to Chapter 200 (Roads and Public Property), Section 2 (Animals at large), of the Cumberland Code.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 066 To set a Public Hearing date (April 28<sup>th</sup>) to consider and act on amendments to Chapter 17 (Animal Control), Section 3 (Dogs at Large) and Section 5 (Violations and Penalties), of the Cumberland Code.**

Motion by Councilor Edes, seconded by Councilor Copp, to set a Public Hearing date of April 28<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on amendments to Chapter 17 (Animal Control), Section 3 (Dogs at Large) and Section 5 (Violations and Penalties), of the Cumberland Code.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 067 To set a Public Hearing date (April 28<sup>th</sup>) to consider and act on a Wharfing Out Permit for Gerard Cassidy for a proposed pier, seasonal ramp, and float system to be located at 17 Old Musket Road.**

Motion by Councilor Copp, seconded by Councilor Storey-King, to set a Public Hearing date of April 28<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on a Wharfing Out Permit for Gerard Cassidy for a proposed pier, seasonal ramp, and float system to be located at 17 Old Musket Road.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**14 – 068 To set a Public Hearing date (April 28<sup>th</sup>) to amend the Contract Zone Agreement for Cumberland Foreside Village (lot line changes).**

Motion by Councilor Turner, seconded by Councilor Bingham, to set a Public Hearing date of April 28<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on amending the Contract Zone Agreement for Cumberland Foreside Village.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Councilor Turner** – reiterated the Town Manager's comments about natural gas and neighborhoods getting together to discuss their intention. He realized that he needs to talk to his neighbors.

**Councilor Bingham** – None

**Councilor Storey-King** – referenced photos of dog park signage from a resident in the meeting materials.

She wished her neighbor, Ken Casey of Middle Road, a happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Last week, Ken and Nancy celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Councilor Gruber** – the Friar Lane neighborhood is meeting with Summit this evening to discuss natural gas.

He attended the annual Good Shepard Food Bank Banquet. He heard a lot of good comments about our food pantry. At the next Council meeting, he would like to recognize the top volunteers of our food pantry (in regard to number of volunteer hours worked).

**Chairman Stiles** – None

**Councilor Edes** – he attended a Cumberland/Falmouth Chamber of Commerce meeting last week. They discussed a major overhaul of a Route One Business Park. There will be a lot of construction activity on Route One in Falmouth this summer.

Falmouth's budget came in at a flat rate this year, including the school. This is very interesting.

Reminder to residents that the paving gypsies will be coming around soon. If anyone is contacted by a paving firm, they can contact the Better Business Bureau to check on them.

Town Manager Shane reminded residents that this is not a good summer to repave driveways due to the natural gas work that will be going on.

**Councilor Copp** – he noted that the West Cumberland Recreation facility has come a long way into a great facility.

**Town Manager Shane** – at the next Council meeting, there will be a brief Fire Department promotional swearing in ceremony. The Police Department will be doing a presentation on prescription drugs, and the Animal Control Officer will be present to talk about any dog issues that he has noticed.

- VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION** pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A., § 405(6)(C) re: real property.  
Motion by Councilor Bingham, seconded by Councilor Storey-King, to recess to Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A., § 405(6)(C) re: real property.  
VOTE: 7-0  
TIME: 7:59 P.M.

Reconvened to regular session at 8:57 P.M.

- VII. ADJOURNMENT**  
Motion by Councilor Copp, seconded by Councilor Storey-King, to adjourn.  
VOTE: 7-0  
TIME: 8:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brenda L. Moore  
Council Secretary