

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Aldermen Minutes
Monday, July 16, 2018

Members Present; President Davis, Aldermen Notte, Ryan, Etori, Tommola, Mattis, Clifford, DePoy and Whitcomb. Aldermen Humphrey and Gillam were absent. Also present Mayor Allaire, Attorney Bloomer and City Clerk Heck.

7:00 PM BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

President Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS (July 2, 2018)

A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Etori) approving the minutes of the previous meeting.

Motion passed.

OUTSIDE THE RAIL

Diane Alberts of Rutland spoke on the tax rate issue and shared her frustration of getting information on school tax prebate.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Allaire shared two items, the first on the success of the first Friday Night Live this past Friday. He thanked those who participated in that event. Mayor Allaire then noted the mutual aid request from Woodstock on a huge fire in downtown Woodstock that the City responded with a truck and several firemen. Mayor Allaire noted it was a precedent type request that Chief Larsen was happy to help with. The truck and men responded to the request along with other towns from Vermont and New Hampshire.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

President Davis noted there were two requests to be added. The first request was from Treasurer Markowski for Fund Balance Assignment & Transfer. That request was so moved and seconded (Etori, Ryan). **Motion passed.** The next request was from Attorney Bloomer for LAZ Management Agreement & FY 19 Budget. That request was so moved and seconded (Etori, DePoy). **Motion passed.**

REPORTS AND LETTERS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS AND OFFICIALS

Barbara Spaulding; RRA, Resolution for VCDP Grant Application

President Davis introduced the request from Barbara Spaulding of the RRA on a resolution for the VCDP Planning Grant Application. President Davis noted a motion to suspend the rules and circulate the resolution for signatures would be in order. A motion was made and seconded (Etori, Clifford) suspending the rules and taking the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Etori, Notte) to circulate the resolution for signatures. **Motion passed.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Alderman Etori; Finance Committee

This report will be read out at the meeting on Tuesday.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

Alderman Etori; Marketing Committee

Alderman Etori read his committee report from July 9th and noted there were two (2) issues referred to the committee. The first item dealt with the Marketing Initiative and the committee received an update from Mary Cohen on Real Rutland. The next issue was the State of Vermont \$10,000 Remote Worker incentive, a plan to recruit remote workers to Vermont. Alderman Etori noted several ideas discussed at the meeting and how Rutland City could use that incentive to lure families to Rutland. The issues are to remain in committee with future updates provided. The report was for information only.

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

There were no reports of representatives.

PETITIONS, LETTERS, MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION

SEP Request, Art in the Park, August 11 & 12, Main St Park

President Davis introduced the request. A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Ryan) suspending the rules and taking the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Ryan) approving the Special Events Permit Request for Art in the Park Summer Festival, August 11 & 12, 2018 from 10 AM to 4PM daily in Main Street Park. **Motion passed.**

SEP Request, Art in the Park, October 6 & 7, Main St Park

President Davis introduced the request. A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Ryan) suspending the rules and taking the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Notte) approving the Special Events Permit Request for Art in the Fall Foliage Festival, October 6 & 7, 2018, from 10 AM to 4PM daily in Main Street Park. **Motion passed.**

SEP Request, Winter in August, August 14, Merchants Row

President Davis introduced the request. A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Whitcomb) suspending the rules and taking the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Whitcomb) approving the Special Events Permit Request for Winter in August, August 14, 2018 from 5PM to 8PM on Merchants Row between West & Center Streets. **Motion passed.**

SEP Request, Special Olympics VT, Rutland Eagles Program, Coin Drop, August 11th

President Davis introduced the request. A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Whitcomb) suspending the rules and taking the issue up that evening. **Motion passed.** A motion was made and seconded (Mattis, Whitcomb) approving the Special Events Permit Request for Special Olympics VT, Rutland Eagles Program, Coin Drop, on August 11, 2018 with the rain date of August 18, 2018 from 10AM to 2PM on Merchants Row. **Motion passed.**

BOARD OF CONTROL COMMISSIONERS

There were no items for the Board of Control Commissioners.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Notte noted a prior referral for fire box issues was still in committee and he has been trying to get a meeting date set.

Alderman DePoy spoke on the Babe Ruth game this week in Rutland and looked for some support for the home team.

President Davis then discussed Alderman Etori reporting out his Finance Committee Report on setting the tax rate or did the Board want to take another evening to look at the new numbers being presented by Treasurer Markowski and meet tomorrow to set the city tax rate. The Board looked to meet again tomorrow. President Davis moved on in the agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Etori noted at the last Project Vision meeting the new CEO of the hospital, Claudio Fort spoke on his vision for the hospital. Alderman Etori stated it would be nice to have Mr. Fort speak at a Community and Economic Development Committee meeting and moved to refer this request. Alderman Ryan seconded. **Motion passed.**

With no further business to come before the Board, President Davis noted a motion to adjourn to Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 5:30 PM would be in order. Alderman DePoy so moved and Alderman Clifford seconded. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A Heck
Rutland City Clerk