

**TOWN OF ORONO
SPECIAL REMOTE COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.**

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**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS ACCEPTED AT
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AGENDA

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Presentation - Public Health Emergency Update**
- 3. Election of Council Chairperson**
- 4. Agenda Review**
- 5. Approval of Minutes of March 9, 2019 and March 25, 2019**
- 6. Public Hearings - None**
- 7. Acknowledgments by Council Members**
- 8. Unfinished Business**
- 9. Consent Agenda**

Order 20-40 Order, authorizing the Town of Orono's participation in the Maine Municipal Association Workers' Compensation Safety Incentive Program and, further, confirming the Town of Orono's commitment to providing a safe environment for its employees, citizens, and visiting public.

The Town has been a longstanding participant in MMA's Leader Program which recognizes its leadership and outstanding efforts related to workplace safety. Participation in this program provides the Town with a reduction in its annual workers' compensation coverage premium. As MMA is retooling this program, we've been asked to "reapply" and reaffirm the corporate commitment to providing a safe work environment.

Order 20-41 Order, confirming the employment contract of William Murphy as Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Orono, effective January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022.

Order 20-42 Order, re-appointing the following Board/Committee Members:

- *Planning Board:*
Michael Costello (move from Associate seat to 5-year term, regular seat: expiring 2025)
- *Board of Appeals:*
William Devoe, Mary Cathcart and Paul Smith (5-year terms, regular seat: expiring 2025)
- *Board of Assessment Review:*
Brett Grandchamp (3-year term, regular seat: expiring 2023)
- *Library Board of Trustees:*
Katherine Edes (3-year term, regular seat: expiring 2023)
Ana Neary (1-year term, youth regular seat: expiring 2021)
- *OEDC Council Representative:*
Cheryl Robertson (3-year term, expiring January, 2023)
- *OTO Fiber Corporation Council Designee:*
Geoffrey Gordon (3-year term, expiring 2023)
- *Personnel Board of Appeals:*
Fredrica Smith (3-year term, regular seat: expiring 2023)
- *Trails Committee:*
Jeffrey Boal, Gail White, David Tompson, David Frankel, Glen Koehler, Kate Locke and Jim Rose (2-year terms: expiring 2022)
- *Tree Board:*
David Thompson and Pat Thompson (3-year terms: expiring 2023)

Order 20-43 Order, confirming the following 1-year appointments of the Town Manager:

Assessor	Michael Noble
Tree Warden	Robert Yerxa
Road Commissioner	Robert Yerxa
Code Enforcement Officer	William Murphy
Building Inspector	William Murphy
Electrical Inspector	William Murphy
Local Plumbing Inspector	William Murphy

Order 20-44 Order, confirming the Town Manager's 1-year appointment of Michael Noble as Alternate Code Enforcement Officer, Building Inspector and Alternate Local Plumbing Inspector.

Order 20-45 Order, confirming the Town Manager's 1-year appointment of David Russell as Alternate Code Enforcement Officer, Alternate Building Inspector,

Alternate Electrical Inspector and Alternate Local Plumbing Inspector.

Order 20-46 Order, appointing Election Clerks for two-year terms, as recommended by the Democratic and Republican Parties.

Democrats

Abigail Despres	Adam Toothaker	Aidan Andrews
Alan Cobo-Lewis	Amanda Bertana	Angela Kohtala
Angelina Fourtnier	Ben Cotton	Caitlyn Rooms
Cathryn Marquez	Connie Perry	Cormac Coyle
Craig Butler	Cynthia Blease	Cynthia Mehnert
Daniel Lambert	Debra Brooks	Declan Downey
Devon Lammert	Elizabeth Brand	Ellen White
Emily Turner	Geoffrey Gordon	Gwethalyn Phillips
Jack Blease	Janice Poulsen	Jennifer Jain
Jewell Powers	Joanna Toothaker	Jodi Clayton
Joschka Winterling	Judith Hakola	Julie Monroe
Katherine Taylor	Kelena Spencer	Kerry Sweet
Kevin Fitzpatrick	Kyleen Nixon	Lauren Genenbacer
Laurie O'Brien	Laurie Sidelko	Lisa Buck
M. Scarlett Tudor	Mackenzie Creamer	Madilyn Newcomb
Mark Haggerty	Mary Anne Hillery	Mary Cathcart
Meredith Ares	Pamela Smon	Paula Moore
Porter Wathington	Rebekah Novak	Robert Tredwell
Rosemary Sidelinker	Samuel Kunz	Suzanne Gordon
Taylor Holmes	Terri Hutchinson	Tim McInnis
Thomas Perry	Thomas Spitz	Townsend Lamore
Trudy Trembly	William Willkomm	Yvette Grady

Republicans

Allison Applebee	Daniel LaPointe	David Chase
Dennis Cross	Donna Slopey	Douglas Flagg
Douglas Palmeter	Dylan Richmond	Francine Palmeter
Gary Noyes	Genia Boko	Gwen Fenderson
Jacob Eckert	Jacob Ward	Janet Goodrich
John Beckett	Judy Cyr	Judith Sullivan
Keragan Ward	Margaret Russell	Marion Grandchamp
Mark Brewer	Marlene Doucette	Nancy Grant
Patricia Thompson	Robert Bass	Ryan Ratledge
Sally Brooker	Scott Abbott	Stephen Monroe
Stuart Colbath	Theresa Legere	Travis Blackmer
Trea Ratledge	Wanda Thomas	William Libby

Unenrolled

Alexandros Giannos	Catherine Scott	Connor Hughes
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Frank Kelly
Lisa Feldman
Roger Feeley

Hannah Hotbrook
Lisa Fox
Samuel Regan

Hannah Marsh
Madeline Hanlon
Stephan Dexter

Order 19-47 Order, appointing Council Members to the following standing Council committees:

<u>Finance & Operations</u>	<u>Community Development</u>	<u>Comp Plan Implementation</u>
Tom Perry (Chair)	Terry Greenier (Chair)	Meghan Gardner (Chair)
Cindy Mehnert	Tom Perry	Terry Greenier
Laurie Osher	Sam Kunz	Sam Kunz
Meghan Gardner	Cheryl Robertson	Laurie Osher
		Cheryl Robertson

10. New Business

Order 20-48 Order, appointing an individual as the RSU#26 Director filling a current vacancy until the Annual Municipal Election in March 2021.

Letters of interest received from both individuals who applied for consideration are included for review. Staff will reach out to both applicants to let them know that Council may have questions for them regarding their skills, experience, and interest during the meeting. Staff will also provide example questions to Councilors via email before Monday.

Order 20-49 Order, approving a Class XI - Restaurant/Lounge - Malt, Spirituous & Vinous Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing & Entertainment and Victualer’s License for Woodman’s LLC, d/b/a Woodman’s Bar & Grill, 31 Main Street.

Governor Mills’ executive order allows the Town Council to renew business licenses without public hearing. Staff is recommending approval of the licenses (see attached); however, while Chief Ewing recommends approval, he is asking that the record reflect that the Orono Police Department has needed to address two minor administrative liquor violations in the last year.

Order 20-50 Order, approving a Class I - Malt, Spirituous & Vinous Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing and Entertainment and Victualer’s License to Wardwell, LLC, d/b/a The Family Dog, 6 Mill Street.

Governor Mills' executive order allows the Town Council to renew business licenses without public hearing. Staff is recommending approval of the licenses (see attached).

Order 20-51 Order, approving a Notice of Election that postpones the Municipal Referendum Election originally scheduled to be held on June 9, 2020 to November 3, 2020 with polls open from 7AM to 8PM.

Order 20-52 Order, approving the transfer of any portion of the Defendant in Rem \$5,034.64, as set forth in Penobscot Court Criminal Action Docket No. CR-19-732, State v. Darrel Joseph Ross, pursuant to 15 M.R.S.A. Sec. 5824(3) & Sec. 5826(6); further, authorizing the Town Manager, if approved by the court, to transfer 15% of the funds received to the Penobscot County District Attorney.

See attached documentation. With Council's consent and a valid court order, these funds would be receipted into the State Asset Forfeiture account for a future use as approved by the Town Council.

Order 20-53 Order, authorizing the Town Manager to expend up to an additional \$35,000 for change orders associated with the current contract between the Town of Orono and Tanko Streetlighting, Inc. of San Francisco, CA for the Streetlight Project with such funds drawn from the approved FY20 Capital Infrastructure Budget; and, further, to authorize the Town Manager to make such budget adjustments as necessary between the Miscellaneous Electrical and Streetlight Project budget lines for this purpose.

Staff has determined that it is likely more feasible to purchase new fixtures for the decorative lights as opposed to retrofit the existing 20-year old decorative lights. It makes the most financial sense to simply replace with the same decorative style that was purchased for the Town Office project as it limits the styles and part supplies needed for inventory. Staff has rolled funds forward into the Capital Miscellaneous Electrical Infrastructure budget for the last two years to fund this potential budget cost. There is currently \$50,082 remaining in this miscellaneous account. Public Works Director Rob Yerxa will be participating in the meeting to answer costs associated with this project.

11. Council Committee/Representative Reports

12. Future Agenda Items/Items of Concern

13. Public Petitions

14. Public Comments (Provide in writing to info@orono.org)

15. Adjournment

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