

AGENDA

for a regular meeting of the Pittsfield Town Council, to be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2008 at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers.

1. Open Meeting/Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Council Members elected at the November 2007 election take the oath of office and are seated:

Councilor at Large: Michael Cianchette

District Three: Donna Chale

3. Adoption of minutes of the regular meeting on December 18, 2007

4. **PRESENTATIONS, CONGRATULATIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS:**

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS/OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. RESOLUTION 07-139:* Resolved that the Town of Pittsfield will hold a Public Hearing on January 02, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Pittsfield Municipal Building Council Chambers to discuss an application being submitted to the State of Maine CDBG program for a Public Facilities Grant Program. The purpose of the grant application is for Historic Preservation of the Pittsfield Public Library to include addressing problems created by moisture in the basement, rotted bases of the wooden walls and weakened underpinnings to prevent eventual failure of the first floor. Repairs or replacement of damaged walls and floors will include painting, reconstruction of crumbling interior masonry, repairs of horsehair plaster, leveling and refurbishing of uneven floors. Public comments will be solicited at this Hearing and will be submitted as part of the application. All persons wishing to make comments or ask questions about the grant application are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Comments may be submitted in writing to: Lyn Smith at the Pittsfield Town Office, 112 Somerset Avenue, Pittsfield, Maine 04967 at any time prior to the Public Hearing. TDD/TTY users may call 711. If you are physically unable to access any of the Town's programs or services, please call Kathryn Ruth at 1-207-487-3136 so that accommodations can be made.

6. **REPORTS: TOWN MANAGER, FINANCE, ORDINANCE & RECYCLING COMMITTEES**

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. ORDER 08-01:* Ordered that the Town Council elect from among its members a Mayor to serve for the 2008 year.

- b. **ORDER 08-02:** Ordered that the Town Council elect from among its members a Deputy Mayor to serve for the 2008 year.
- c. **ORDER 08-03:** Ordered that the Mayor appoint from among the Councilors a Finance Committee, an Ordinance Committee, and a Fair Hearing Authority consisting of three (3) members each and a Police Labor Negotiating Committee consisting of two (2) Councilors and the Town Manager.
- d. **RESOLUTION 08-01:** Resolved that the Town Council Appoint Kathryn Ruth as Official Representative, Councilor _____ as Official Representative and Councilor _____ as Alternate to the General Assembly for the Kennebec Valley Council of Governments (KVCOG).
- e. **RESOLUTION 08-02:** Resolved that the Town Council Appoint _____ as the Alternate Representative to the General Assembly for the Kennebec Regional Development Authority (KRDA) also known as FirstPark.
- f. **RESOLUTION 08-03:** Resolved that the Town Council Appoint _____ as an Alternate to the Maine Services Center Coalition in addition to the Town Manager.
- g. **RESOLUTION 08-04:** Resolved that the Town Council authorize the Town Manager and Librarian to file the 2008 Community Development Block Grant Application for the Public Facilities Grant Program for Historic Preservation of the Pittsfield Public Library.
- h. **RESOLUTION 08-05:** Resolved that the Town Council Appoint members to fill the vacancies on the various Town Boards and Committees from the attached list.
- i. **RESOLUTION 08-06:** Resolved that the Town Council select Britta Baldwin as interim director for the municipality for SAD #53 to serve until the next annual municipal election. The interim director shall serve until a successor is elected and qualified.
- j. **RESOLUTION 08-07:** Resolved that the Town Council reject all bids for the 36-month cleaning contract for the Town office and Town library due to the high increase in bid prices and authorize the Town Manager and Assistant Treasurer to hire a firm on an interim basis.
- k. **RESOLUTION 08-08:** Resolved that the Town Council sign the Certificate of Commitment for Sewer User Rates and Water User Rates during the Year 2008.
- l. **RESOLUTION 08-09:** Resolved that the Town Council sign the Expense warrants upon recommendation of the Finance Committee for the Year 2008.
- m. **RESOLUTION 08-10:** Resolved that the Town Council authorize the Town Manager to hire Independent Review(s) and execute all paperwork for Airport Grants for the Year 2008 in accordance with the Town's Bid Policy and/or the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations.

8. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

A. Grants Update:

Airport Grants: Vegetation Plan/Permitting Grant

Airport Grants: Runway Obstruction Clearing

Brownsfield Grant: Cleanup Grant for 8 Mount Road (formerly 10 Eelwier Road)

CDBG Grant/Business Assistance: Moosehead Cedar Log Homes

Efficiency Maine Business Program

FEMA Reimbursements: Declaration from 04/15-23/2007

L&W Conservation Fund: Stein Park Renovation Project

L&W Conservation Fund: Swimming Pool

Project Canopy: Pittsfield Community Project: The Mill Pond Loop

Safe Routes to School: School Street (formerly Henry Street)

Wellhead Protection

9. **REPORTS:** Audience, Council

10. **ADJOURNMENT**