

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS/OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 20-60: (Tabled) Resolved that the Town Council Act as Necessary due to the civil emergency regarding the Pittsfield Community Theatre.

(TABLED) Until there is further guidance from the Governor or the CDC; and in the meantime, the Theatre Committee needs to come up with a plan to reopen.

RESOLUTION 20-62: (Tabled) Resolved that the Town Council Accept the proposal of _____ for the Energy Savings Performance Contracting and to authorize the Town Manager to execute all necessary paperwork including the Town's Standard Services contract for the project.

5. REPORTS:

A. COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

FINANCE: Met on Thursday, June 11, 2020 and reviewed the investment holdings with the banks. We plan to start the Budget Workshops in August.

ORDINANCE: Have not met yet since the last meeting. We are waiting for items from the Planning Board.

RECYCLING: We have a meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

B. BOARD AND COMMITTEE UPDATES BY TOWN COUNCILORS AND MANAGER: None

C. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Thank you during the civil emergency: Thanked everyone for how well they did during the civil emergency to date for their ingenuity and support of not only the community, our businesses, our organizations and the Town, but also of each other. Information is always changing and evolving as we have not been through a period such as this. It will likely change in July too. While we are re-opening up more and more, we would ask people to be considerate of your neighbors, friends and people who you do not know by wearing a mask when required, following the arrows at the stores and staying on the social distancing circles on the floors at establishments. We have had great compliance here with the distancing.

2. Town Office RE-opening: Our town office, as well as town offices across the state fit under the Governor's Phase II opening of June 1. We are now in Week #3 and all is going well, just extremely hectic. The Town Manager reviewed the highlights of the re-opening requirements. **Thank you** for your understanding and patience as we comply with all of the rules and try to keep everyone safe.

3. Library Services for June: The Librarian reports that they will open the library on Monday, June 22nd to 10 people at a time. She has been doing appointments for 2 weeks and it's gone well, so they feel that they have a handle on what they have to do. There will be a press release out to the Rolling Thunder and will put a write up on Facebook today.

4. On-line services for Town Business Update:

Since April, the following services have been available on-line: READ. We have a handout on the Town's website at www.pittsfield.org and links on the Facebook page.

5. New Registration List: Knowing that new registrations can be complicated with all of the paperwork involved, we have updated and refined a list of items required for (a) a new vehicle registration; (b) for used vehicles (dealer sale) and (c) required for used vehicles (private sale). This was created and placed at the Town Office as a handout as one comes inside the building/outside the building; on the Town's website and links were placed on the Facebook Page.

6. Department of the Secretary of State Bureau of Motor Vehicles: The main office and branch offices of the Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicle re-opened on June 1, 2020 (being under Stage 2 as the Town was). All visits to the branch office are where in-person transactions are absolutely needed and appointments must be made. We have publicized this as we do not want people to drive down without an appointment and then have to wait or go back. The BMV Main Office # is 624-9000 and the Bangor # is 942-1319.

7. Transfer Station New Fee System was to go into effect on June 01, 2020 and has been pushed back to August 1, 2020. Mid-June we will start a very active campaign to promote getting the stickers ahead of time, contacting known contractors who use the facility, etc. It is prudent to address all of the registrations and other needs of the citizens and businesses first before throwing in a whole new set of items. The ad goes in the Rolling Thunder next week and out on Facebook this week.

8. Nomination papers for District #2 Town Councilor Seat: We will be able to count write-ins this year based upon the legal advice from 2020 compared with 2018's situation. The Town Clerk will issue directions on how to do this. The votes for Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse will not be counted so only valid write-ins will be counted. Good Luck. The next Election is in July on July 12, 2020. We have a link on the website for people to request an absentee ballot for the Primary/Special Election Referendum. We will be promoting this quite a bit too so that people know that they can vote absentee and feel safe.

9. Pittsfield Summer Recreation Program: Forms are now available with a deadline of July 2nd, 2020. The programs will be different this year to follow the CDC and Governor's Orders/Proclamations due to COVID-19 to protect the children as much as can be done. READ

10. Welcome Letter to Pittsfield for MCI: The Town has received a request from the Headmaster due to the what is going on in the nation – to issue a letter to prospective students coming in January 2021 that Pittsfield is a safe community and talk about our assets. I will be doing that this week. It is nice for the Town to be included in the Packages given out to prospective students across the world.

11. Egg Festival Window Painting Contest: Faith Humphrey has volunteered to organize the yearly window painting contest along Main Street for families to sign up for windows. With the Council's and our EMA Director's blessing, we would like to do this. The Egg Festival Committee will purchase the supplies and it will be in compliance with social distancing and all CDC and Governor's Orders/Proclamations.

12. KVCOG Textile Recycling: We happened to mention to the new Solid Waste Director at KVCOG the need to pull all of these heavy cloth items out of the waste stream. He had developed a textile recycling program with Apparel Impact. A closed container with a door/opening will be delivered to the Transfer Station for free disposal and pickup for all of the surplus cloth that is thrown away or clothing that can no longer be sold at Pennywise. This is a great enhancement. Right now, we have someone on our Recycling Committee who transports used clothing to the Homeless Shelter. This effort can also continue.

13. Mowing of Departments and Airport: The Public Works Foreman has come to agreement with the former contractor to complete this work at a reasonable price compared to the other pricing. I was just notified so this item will go on the July 7 agenda for approval and we will pay the contractor Far & Beyond from mowing to mowing as we did in the past.

14. Fire Station and Municipal Building Projects: Our Fire Station Masonry Repointing Alternate to Replacement and Municipal Building Masonry Wash, Seal and Repointing will begin on Monday, June 22, 2020 with the Fire Station work. The contracts were issued to Mr. Rick Pease of PCS – Specialty Contracting of Skowhegan. They will work around the requirement that we have to use the back and front door for COVID-19 compliance to stay open.

15. Municipal Building and Fire Station Roof Projects: C.O. Beck, which was the low bidder for these projects late last year indicated it was too late to start the projects last year which was reasonable and then were going to start early this year, however, COVID-19 came along. They have just gotten their crews back and are starting projects. They will complete the project by September 11, 2020 and believe they will be done in August. Given the current health crisis, they wanted a bit of extra time which was fine. Their pricing was exceptionally good and they do high quality work.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

ORDER 20-09: That the Town of Pittsfield Town Council hereby ordains the tax anticipation note borrowing for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020 on the following terms:

Ordered that, pursuant to Section 5771 of Title 30-A of Maine Revised Statutes, as amended and the Ordinance adopted on the date hereof, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow money from time to time during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020 in the principal amount or amounts not exceeding \$500,000 at any one time outstanding, in anticipation of the collections or receipts from taxes, by the issuance of tax anticipation notes of the Town, each of which notes shall be designated "Town of Pittsfield 2020 Tax Anticipation Notes." All of such tax anticipation notes, and any extensions, renewals or replacements thereof, shall be signed by the Town Treasurer and countersigned by at least a majority of the members of the Town Council, shall be payable on or before November 3, 2020, out of money raised by taxation during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020 shall bear interest payable at maturity at a rate determined in the manner as approved by the Treasurer, and shall contain such other terms and provisions, not inconsistent herewith, and be in such form, as shall be approved by the officers signing the same, whose approval shall be conclusively evidenced by their execution thereof, and

Be It Further Ordered that the Treasurer if hereby authorized to award notes to such person or entity as she deems appropriate, and

Be It Further Ordered that the notes authorized by the foregoing are hereby designated as qualified tax exempt obligations for purposes of Section 265(b) of the Internal revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and

Be it Further Ordered that the Treasurer of the Town be authorized to covenant with the purchasers of the notes on behalf of the Town and for the benefit of the holders of the notes, that the Town will take whatever steps, and refrain from taking any action, as may be necessary or appropriate to ensure that interest on the notes will remain free from federal income taxes, including without limitation, the filing of information returns and reports with the Internal Revenue Service and the payment of any rebate due to the United States of America.

Moved by Councilor Billings and seconded by Councilor Collamore that Order 20-09 be adopted.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE

RESOLUTION 20-66: Resolved that the Town Council Accept the bid of Bar Harbor Savings Bank of Pittsfield, Maine in response to the Town of Pittsfield Request for Proposals with interest payable at maturity at the rate of 1.42% per annum.

Moved by Councilor Billings and seconded by Councilor Collamore that Resolution 20-66 be adopted.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYE