

Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. All Councilors were present.

**I. Consent Items - None**

**II. Minutes - December 21, 2020 Regular Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2020 Regular City Council meeting.

Passage 7-0.

**III. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- Women's Suffrage Mural – Rebecca Swanson Conrad
- Council Communications (about and to the community)

**Councilor MacLeod** – reminded everyone that the indoor Farmer's Market is closed until the Spring.

**City Manager Crowell** – provided an update on the Farmer's Market "bucks" that were distributed. They are no longer valid, however new Farmer's Market "bucks" will be available in the Spring. He also wanted to let the Council know that a plant was sent to the family of Normand McKeone, former City Council, who recently passed and a thank you note was received from the family.

**Mayor Levesque** – provided an update on the Lewiston Auburn Railroad Corporation's vacant seat noting that he has been appointed as an interim director of the Lewiston Auburn Railroad Corporation filling the remainder of Dick Trafton's term (April 2021).

**IV. Open Session – No one from the public spoke.**

**V. Unfinished Business - None**

**VI. New Business**

**1. Order 01-01042021**

Approving the Packgen TIF District #26. Public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilor Boss and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Lasagna to postpone until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Passage 6-0-1 (Councilor Walker abstained).

**2. Order 02-01042021**

Setting the date for the second council meeting in January to be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**3. Order 03-01042021**

Authorizing staff to enter into an agreement with FB Environmental Associates for the evaluation of ordinances applicable to the protection of the Lake Auburn Watershed.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Boss for passage.

Public comment – Forrest Bell, Adam Daignault, and Rich Brereton from the firm of FB Environmental Associates spoke.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Gerry to postpone to the next regular Council meeting (January 19, 2021).

Passage 7-0.

**VII. Open Session** – No one from the public spoke.

**VIII. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

**Mayor Levesque** – announced that he will be providing the State of the City address on 1/19/2021, he also commented on the PAL Christmas efforts where gifts were collected for 175 kids and gave thanks to the volunteers and everyone that donated toys.

**Councilor Walker** – reported on the holiday take out meal that the Age Friendly Committee put on noting that it was a big success.

**Councilor Boss** – provided an update on the Auburn Public Library, adding that the board of trustees will be meeting again January 19<sup>th</sup>. She reported on the Ag Committee meeting that was held last week, the next meeting is on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January. Last, she provided an update on the Comp Plan review team.

**City Manager Crowell** – echoed the comments made about the PAL Christmas effort and the holiday meal put on by the Age Friendly Committee. He noted that we are working through staffing challenges (quarantines, exposures, etc.) adding that all departments are still operating efficiently and still meeting the service needs of the community.

**IX. Executive Session** - Labor negotiations, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6) (D).

Motion was made by Councilor Boss and seconded by Councilor Walker to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0, time 8:10 PM.

Council was declared out of executive session at 8:33 PM.

**X. Adjournment**

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Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Walker to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned at 8:33 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

**IN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 19, 2021 VOL. 36 PAGE 107**

Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. All Councilors were present. A moment of silence was held in memory of Brian Sicknick who was a member of the Capital Hill Police Force. Officer Sicknick was killed during the Capital building riots on January 6, 2021.

**III. Consent Items**

**1. Order 04-01192021**

Setting the time to open the polls for all 2021 election for 7:00 A.M.

**2. Order 05-01192021**

Accepting the transfer of \$4,535.00 forfeiture assets in Rem in U.S. Currency to the Auburn Police Department (Unified Criminal Court Docket No. CR-20-1787 David Cochran).

**3. Order 06-01192021**

Accepting the transfer of \$2,480.00 forfeiture assets in Rem in U.S. Currency to the Auburn Police Department (Unified Criminal Court Docket No. CR-20-1787 Lloyd Lyttle).

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage of the three consent items.

Passage 7-0.

**IV. Minutes – January 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker to approve the minutes of the January 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Passage 7-0.

**VIII. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- Mayor Levesque delivered his State of the City Address which was pre-recorded
- Council Communications (about and to the community)

**Councilor Lasagna** took a moment to reflect on the events that happened on January 6, 2021 at the Capital Building noting that while it is important look outwardly at the cracks in our democracy and our government, which led to the violence, we should also look inwardly at

the cracks that may exist in our own community and the potential cracks within ourselves and do what we can to ensure equity and commitment to each other.

**IX. Open Session**

Larry Pelletier, New Auburn resident, commented on litter and dog waste in the City.

**X. Unfinished Business**

**4. Order 01-01042021**

Approving the Packgen TIF District #26.

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Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Boss for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor MacLeod to postpone this item indefinitely.

Passage 7-0.

**5. Order 03-01042021**

Authorizing staff to enter into an agreement with FB Environmental Associates for the evaluation of ordinances applicable to the protection of the Lake Auburn Watershed.

Motion was made by Councilor Boss and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**XI. New Business**

**1. Order 07-01192021**

Approving the liquor license for El tequila Restaurant located at 245 Center Street. Public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Boss for passage.

Public hearing - no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**2. Order 08-01192021**

Authorizing the reallocation \$150,000 originally allocated for the Auburn Lewiston Airport main terminal parking lot to be used for the Eastside Aircraft Apron Reconstruction Project.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor MacLeod for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**XII. Open Session** – No one from the public spoke.

**XIII. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

**Mayor Levesque** – announced that the Comp Plan ad hoc review committee has been meeting actively and the next meeting is scheduled for January 21st.

**Councilor Carrier** – provided a School Committee update.

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**Councilor Walker** – reminded everyone about the upcoming Valentine’s Day (February 14, 2021) spaghetti dinner that the Age Friendly Committee will be putting on. The dinner is a take-out dinner, there is no charge, orders must be called in in advance. He also expressed some concerns about the Sopers Mill Road bid on underground piping and the pond in that area.

**Councilor Milks** – provided an update on the Sewer District meeting held earlier in the afternoon adding that the Water District Trustee meeting will be held tomorrow.

**Councilor MacLeod** – provided an update on the LATC meeting, and the Comp Plan ad hoc committee meeting.

**Councilor Lasagna** – asked for an update on the ad hoc committee on Boards & Committees and provided an update on the School Building Committee.

**Councilor Boss** – reported that she has been hearing from residents about their excitement about the newly opened Holy Donuts as well as some traffic concerns in that area.

**Manager Crowell** – provided the Council with some upcoming items slated for future Council meetings. He provided an update on COVID vaccinations.

**Jill Eastman, Finance Director** – December 2020 Final Monthly Report

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Milks to accept and place on file the December 2020 final monthly finance report.

Passage 7-0

**IX. Executive Session**

- Personnel matter, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6) (A).  
This executive session was taken up during the workshop.
- Personnel matter, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6) (A).  
Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Carrier to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time 7:52 PM.

Council was declared out of executive session at 8:15 PM.

**X. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned 8:15 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

**IN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2021 VOL. 36 PAGE 110**

Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. All Councilors were present.

**V. Consent Items** - All items with an asterisk (\*) are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member or a citizen so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

**6. Order 09-02012021\***

Confirming Chief Moen's appointment of Logan Rossignol as a Constable with firearm for the Auburn Police Department.

**7. Order 10-02012021\***

Setting the date for the second council meeting in February to be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage of the two consent items.

Passage 7-0.

**VI. Minutes** – January 19, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2021 Regular Council meeting.

Passage 7-0.

**XIV. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- Continuation of Council Workshop on Ordinance Review
- Council Communications (about and to the community) – None at this time.

**XV. Open Session** – No one from the public spoke.

**XVI. Unfinished Business - None**

**XVII. New Business**

**1. Ordinance 01-02012021**

Amending the zoning map adjusting the boundary to remove the parcel at 186 Main Street from the T.4.2 Form Based District and include the parcel in the T.5.1 Form Based Code District. First Reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

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**2. Ordinance 02-02012021**

Expanding the T-4.2 Traditional Downtown Neighborhood to replace current zoning in the Multi-family Urban District in the New Auburn neighborhood. First Reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**3. Order 11-02012021**

Appointing Glen Holmes to the Auburn Lewiston Airport Board as the City Manager Representative.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Gerry for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**4. Order 12-02012021**

Appointing Eric Cousens to the Androscoggin Transportation Resource Center (ATRC) Policy Committee, replacing the City Manager.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**XVIII. Open Session – No one from the public spoke.**

**VIII. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

Mayor Levesque reported on the Comp Plan review process noting that more information can be found on our website and he encouraged public feedback. He also reported that meetings were held last week and again this week with Central Maine Medical Center and St. Mary's Hospital to try to determine potential COVID vaccine sites.

Councilor Walker reminded everyone about the upcoming Valentine's Day spaghetti take out dinner. He also wanted everyone know that due to the storm, the Age Friendly Committee meeting is postponed to the 9<sup>th</sup> of February.

Councilor Gerry reported that the Grab and Go grocery program will be this Thursday instead of Wednesday due to the storm.

Councilor Macleod echoed the Mayor's comments on the Comprehensive Plan review and also encouraged public comments.

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Councilor Lasagna reported that the ELHS Building Committee meeting has been moved from February to March.

Councilor Boss provided an update on the Ag Committee.

City Manager Crowell reminded everyone of the parking ban due to storm, and also noted that Auburn Hall may close, also because of the storm. That will be determined tomorrow morning. He provided Council with an update on upcoming agenda items. He reported that he and the mayor participated in the Legislative Policy Committee meeting looking at various bills that are being brought forth, adding that he will keep the Council up to date on those. He provided follow up on the Sopers Mill road piping project that was mentioned at the previous Council meeting, and last, he thanked Brian Soucy from our IT department for the work he has done to improve the audio quality for these meetings.

### **IX. Executive Session – Economic development, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(C).**

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Boss to enter into executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(C).

Passage 7-0. Time: 7:37 PM.

Council was declared out of executive session at 7:44 PM.

### **X. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Milks to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned at 7:44 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

### **IN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 16, 2021 VOL. 36 PAGE 113**



Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag. A moment of silence was held in memory of Dr. Bernard Lown who recently passed away.

All Councilors were present.

**VII. Consent Items** - All items with an asterisk (\*) are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member or a citizen so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

**1. Order 13-02162021\***

Re-appointing Susan Clements-Dallaire as Registrar of Voters with a term expiration of December 31, 2022.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage of the one consent item.

Passage 7-0.

**VIII. Minutes – February 1, 2021 Regular Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2021 Regular Council meeting.

Passage 7-0.

**XIX. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- CDBG Annual Report Presentation – Zachary Lenhert
- Council Communications (about and to the community)

Councilor Walker – provided an update on the Valentine’s Day spaghetti dinner, and he thanked all involved.

**XX. Open Session** – No one from the public spoke.

**XXI. Unfinished Business**

**5. Ordinance 01-02012021**

Amending the zoning map adjusting the boundary to remove the parcel at 186 Main Street from the T.4.2 Form Based District and include the parcel in the T.5.1 Form Based Code District. Public hearing and second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

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Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

## **XXII. New Business**

### **3. Order 14-02162021**

Adopting the Community Development Block Grant's (CDBG) Consolidated Annual Performance & Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

### **6. Ordinance 03-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 1 – Generally, Sec. 2-381 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Motion was made by Councilor Boss and seconded by Councilor Gerry to amend the language in the last sentence as noted below.

**Be it ordained, that the City Council hereby amends Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 1 – Generally, Sec. 2-381 as follows:**

Sec. 2-381. - Established.

The city has such boards, commissions, committees, agencies, and other subunits of its governing authority as are established from time to time by the city Charter or the city council. The school committee is established in the city Charter, and information regarding other city boards, commissions, committees, agencies, and similar bodies is available in this article and on the city's official website. The council has created advisory boards to provide oversight and facilitate communication between the various boards, commissions, and committees as well as the elected officials.

Passage of the amendment 6-0 (Councilor Walker was not in the room for the vote).

Passage of Ordinance 03-02162021 as amended 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

### **7. Ordinance 04-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-430 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

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Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**8. Ordinance 05-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-431 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor MacLeod for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**9. Ordinance 06-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-432 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**10. Ordinance 07-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-433 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**11. Ordinance 08-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-434 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Lasagna for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

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**12. Ordinance 09-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-435 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**13. Ordinance 10-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-440 of the Code of Ordinances. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public hearing – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**14. Order 15-02162021**

Approving the formation of an ad hoc committee to evaluate and recommend changes to the city ordinance as it pertains to permitting and fees.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public comment-no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**XXIII. Open Session** – no one from the public spoke.

**XXIV. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

**Mayor Levesque** – reported that he has been in communication with staff and has reached out to non-profit organizations that have goals offering different opportunities for youth in regards to recreation and how these programs can help people with disabilities and low to moderate incomes.

**Councilor Boss** – provided an update on the Auburn Public Library services.

**Councilor MacLeod** – provided an update on The Lewiston Auburn Transit Committee (LATC) meeting, Great Falls TV meeting, ELHS building committee, and the Comp Plan sub committee meeting.

**Councilor Milks** – reported on the Sewer District meeting held earlier today and noted that the Water District will be meeting tomorrow.

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**Councilor Walker** – requested time during an upcoming workshop for the Age Friendly Committee to provide an update. He also provided information on the Walk in the Park event scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. The United New Auburn Association will be meeting next Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m. at Rolly’s Diner where they will discuss the event.

**Councilor Carrier** – provided an update on the School Committee meeting.

**Manager Crowell** – provided an update on the Solar Energy project update, the temporary closing of the Tax Office due to several staff members testing positive to Covid-19, and the search for a vaccination site. He also provided the Council with some upcoming agenda items.

**Jill Eastman, Finance Director – January 2021 Final Monthly Report**

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor MacLeod to accept and place on file the January 2021 final monthly finance report.

Passage 7-0.

**XXV. Executive Session** - Economic development, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6) (C).

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Walker to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time in 8:05 PM.

Council was declared out of executive session at 8:09 PM.

**X. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Walker to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned at 8:09 PM.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

**IN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MARCH 1, 2021 VOL. 36 PAGE 118**

Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

All Councilors were present.

**IX. Consent Items** - All items with an asterisk (\*) are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member or a citizen so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

**8. Order 16-03012021\***

Confirming Chief Moen's appointment of Steve Chouinard, Constable Process Server to serve documents on behalf of the Auburn Police Department without firearm/arrest powers (Private) within the City of Auburn for 2021.

**9. Order 17-03012021\***

Setting the date to hold the School Budget Validation Referendum Election for June 8, 2021.

**10. Order 18-03012021\***

Confirming the appointment of Robert Cavanagh as full member and Renee Cote as alternate member of the Registration Appeals Board as nominated by the Democratic party.

**11. Order 19-03012021\***

Confirming Mayor Levesque's re-appointment of Leonard Kimble to the Ethics Committee with a term expiration of 11-01-2023.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage of the 4 consent items.

Passage 7-0.

**X. Minutes - February 16, 2021 Regular Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Passage 7-0.

**XXVI. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- Age Friendly Committee Update (Leroy Walker & Jan Biron)
- Economic Development City Owned Properties (Jay Brenchick)
- Council Communications (about and to the community) – There were none.

**XXVII. Open Session – No one from the public spoke.**

**XXVIII. Unfinished Business**

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**15. Ordinance 02-02012021**

Expanding the T-4.2 Traditional Downtown Neighborhood to replace current zoning in the Multi-family Urban District in the New Auburn neighborhood. Public hearing and second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Macleod and seconded by Councilor Boss for passage.

Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**16. Ordinance 03-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 1 – Generally, Sec. 2-381 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage of the second reading for Ordinances 03-02162021 through 10-02162021.

Public comment – no one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**17. Ordinance 04-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-430 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

**18. Ordinance 05-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-431 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

**19. Ordinance 06-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-432 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

**20. Ordinance 07-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-433 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

**21. Ordinance 08-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-434 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

**22. Ordinance 09-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-435 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

**23. Ordinance 10-02162021**

Amending Article V. Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Division 2 – Generally, Sec. 2-440 of the Code of Ordinances. Second reading.

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**XXIX. New Business**

**4. Order 20-03012021**

Approving the consolidation and polling place changes as recommended by staff. Public hearing.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Lasagna for passage.

Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 6-1 (Councilor Gerry opposed).

**5. Ordinance 11-03012021**

Amending Chapter 60 to correct spelling, capitalization and word placement errors. First reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**6. Ordinance 12-03012021**

Amending Chapter 60, Article XVII re-zoning a portion of Parcels PID 057-003, 057-003-001, 057-002, 057-001 on Trapp Road from Rural Residential to Agriculture/Resource Protection. First reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public comment – No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**7. Ordinance 13-03012021**

Amending Chapter 60, Article XVII expanding the form-based code zoning district T-4.2 Traditional Downtown Neighborhood, In the Court/Lake Street and Lake Auburn Avenue, Union, Lake, and Whitney Streets areas. First reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**8. Ordinance 14-03012021**

Amending Chapter 52 – Traffic. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Boss for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

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Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**9. Ordinance 15-03012021**

Amending Chapter 24 - General Assistance. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.



**10. Ordinance 16-03012021**

Amending Chapter 61, Section 61-1 – Moratorium on social clubs and retail medical marijuana caregiver storefronts. First reading.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**11. Ordinance 17-03012021**

Amending the Code, Appendix A to include language for the Veteran Relocation and Development Incentive Program. Public hearing and first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public hearing – No one From the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**12. Order 21-03012021**

Appointing Ian Campbell to the Conservation Commission with a term expiration of 6-1-2022.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**13. Order 22-03012021**

Appointing Riley Bergeron as full member of the Planning Board with a term expiration of 1-1-2024.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

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**14. Order 23-03012021**

Re-appointing Evan Cyr as full member of the Planning Board with a term expiration of 1-1-2024.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor MacLeod for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**15. Order 24-03012021**

Appointing Brian Dubois as associate member of the Planning Board with a term expiration of 1-1-2023.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**16. Order 25-03012021**

Re-appointing Raymond Fortier to the Auburn Sewer District Board of Trustees with a term expiration of 3-1-2025.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**17. Order 26-03012021**

Appointing Kevin Arel to the Auburn Water District Board of Trustees with a term expiration of 3-1-2025.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**18. Order 27-03012021**

Re-appointing Robert Cavanagh to the Auburn Water District Board of Trustees with a term expiration of 3-1-2025.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

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**19. Order 28-03012021**

Re-appointing Courtney McDonough to the Zoning Board of Appeals as a full member with a term expiration of 10-1-2023.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**20. Order 29-03012021**

Appointing Joseph Morin to the Zoning Board of Appeals as a full member with a term expiration of 10-1-2023.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**XXX. Open Session** – No one from the public spoke.

**VIII. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

- a. Mayor's Report
- b. City Councilors' Reports
- c. City Manager Report

**Councilor Carrier** – Reported that the Airport Board will be meeting on Thursday, and he provided an update on the School Committee meeting.

**Councilor Walker** – Reported that there will be an Age Friendly Committee meeting tomorrow at 5:30 pm. They are joining with the United New Auburn Association on the Walk in the Park event scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. He reported on the 911 Committee meeting, and the Waste to Energy meeting.

**Councilor Milks** – Provided an update on the Auburn Water District Board of Trustees on the PUC (Public Utilities Commission) complaint.

**Councilor Gerry** – Noted that the Farmers Market will not be held on Sunday as mentioned earlier during the meeting.

**Councilor MacLeod** – Reported on the Comprehensive Plan work group meeting, the Audit Committee meeting, and the first Permitting Fee Structure meeting is scheduled for Friday.

**Councilor Lasagna** – Provided an update on the School Building Committee.

**Councilor Boss** – Reported on last week's Ag Committee meeting adding that they will be providing an update to the City Council at the April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. She also provided an update on the Auburn Public Library.

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**Mayor Levesque** – Provided updates on the Legislative Policy Committee, the Railroad Corporation, and the Comprehensive Plan work group.

**Manager Crowell** – Thanked the public for their patience while the Tax Office was closed temporarily. He also gave thanks and appreciation to the Council for fitting in all of the committee meetings into their busy schedules. He also stated that we are moving forward with the online permitting process. In regards to the Legislative Policy Committee, he noted that he will be paying close attention to those bills and will be sure to keep the Council abreast of those items.

**XXXI. Executive Session** – Contract negotiations, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(D).

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Walker to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time 8:22 pm.

Council was declared out of executive session at 8:40 pm.

**X. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor MacLeod to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

**Leroy G. Walker, Sr., City Councilor  
Ward 5  
Age-Friendly Report 2019-2020**

Good evening, Mayor Levesque, City Manager, Assistant City Manager, City Councilors and City Staff,

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, things had to change drastically with our Age-Friendly programs, but I am proud of what we, as a team, were able to accomplish. We found different ways to feed people in need, and gave them something to look forward to in these lonely, separated times. It was quite a challenge.

Beginning in August of 2019, our group raised funds by hosting the beverage booth at the Balloon Festival and we raised over \$1000.00 for the Age-Friendly program.

We held a Box Car Movie Night for kids, where the kids decorated boxes (provided by International Paper) to look like cars, and showed a youth movie. It was enjoyed by all. Over 100 people participated. Some of the box cars were taken home. The remainder were donated to a daycare center. They were very happy to have them.

On November 2, 2019, the ribbon cutting was held, opening the newly renovated Auburn Senior Community Center in Pettengill Park.

On November 24, 2019, we held an in-person Thanksgiving dinner, free of charge, to anyone who wanted to attend. There were approximately 150 people in attendance, and about 20 meals were taken home to those who couldn't attend. ReEnergy, Inc. donated \$500.00 to this event. Mike Small, of Small's Greenhouse on Summer Street in Auburn, donated beautiful poinsettias, valued at about \$200.00, for people to take home for the holidays.

On December 13, 2019, we held an adult Christmas Movie, “White Christmas”, and served cookies and popcorn to all who attended. It was very well received. Approximately 50 people attended.

On New Year’s Day 2020, we held an in-person meal of finger rolls, chips, pickles, olives, dessert and beverage to approximately 200 people. We showed a video count-down from New York’s Time Square of the last 30 seconds of 2019 and handed out noise makers and hats to everyone. We had a puzzle, games, Corn Hole, and music for everyone to enjoy.

On January 20, 2020, we held our first bus tour with the City Link Bus Company, with Italian sandwiches being served, and a class on how the bus system works. Many people attended and were grateful for the information. About 20 people were present. Everyone had the opportunity to ride the entire bus route.

On January 22, 2020, we had a light lunch and movie, with popcorn being served. 52 people attended.

On February 14, 2020 – Valentine’s Day, we held an in-person spaghetti and meatball dinner. Larry Gowell sang love songs and participants sang and danced. We had a full house on that day – 150 people.

On February 20, 2020, we had our second City Link talk, ride and Italian sandwich luncheon, with 27 people. Everyone took the bus tour.

On February 27, 2020, we had a beef stew lunch, followed by a movie. 65 people attended.

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This is where things changed drastically.

On March 17, 2020, we would have held what would have become our last in-person dinner, a boiled dinner for St. Patrick’s Day. We were not, however, able to hold this event due to the beginning of the Covid 19 virus. All of the food that was purchased for the dinner was given to the “Grab and Go” program, to be distributed by the recreation department.

On April 23, 2020, we were supposed to have a light lunch and movie, but had to cancel due to Covid-19.

On May 14, 2020, we had scheduled a Mother’s Day lunch and movie with cake and popcorn, but had to cancel due to Covid-19.

On June 25, 2020, we planned a Father’s Day light lunch and movie with cake and popcorn, but had to cancel due to Covid-19.

On July 23, 2020, we planned a Fun Day lunch with hamburgers and corn on the cob, with games like Corn Hole, board games, and more. This was cancelled due to Covid-19.

On August 27, 2020, we had planned a light lunch with games inside and outside. This was cancelled due to Covid-19.

On September 24, 2020, a light lunch and a movie with popcorn was scheduled, but cancelled due to Covid-19.

On October 22, 2020, we had planned a light lunch and a movie with popcorn. Cancelled due to Covid-19.

We also had a bean supper on October 17th, serving 41 people beans, hot dogs, bread, dessert and beverage. This was a “Stop and Go” meal, where people picked up their food and took it home.

On Halloween, the Hello-Ween program took place, serving over 500 children with candy and music at Little Andy Park, hosted by the United New Auburn Association and Age-Friendly Community Committee.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2020, we held a “Stop & Go” full Thanksgiving dinner for all who wanted or needed one. Over 250 people picked up a meal and took it home to enjoy. This FREE meal was sponsored by ReSource Waste Services and Cure, owned by John Morrison. Over \$600.00 in donations came in.

Finally, on December 30, 2020, we hosted a combined Christmas and New Year’s “Stop & Go” luncheon of finger rolls, chips, dessert and beverage. We served approximately 265 people from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Matt Leonard co-sponsored this event.

For all of the meals, donations were accepted and gratefully appreciated. In spite of Covid-19, we have managed to continue to connect with our community members and keep them engaged.

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On February 14, 2021, Valentine’s Day, we held another “Stop & Go” spaghetti and meatballs dinner. It wasn’t the same as last year, because there was no entertainment, dancing or singing, but there was plenty of food and good will from all of our Age-Friendly board members and volunteers, who consider themselves privileged to serve their community. We served 285 people from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We received \$370.00 in donations and John Morrison (Cure) sponsored this event. It was a great success.

We are planning to offer movies again at the Senior Community Center in Pettengill Park on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. We plan to hold the first one on the third Wednesday of March, Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. There is no charge for the movies. No food will be allowed in the facility. People can bring their own beverages, according to the CDC regulations. Masks must be worn. Registration is required in advance, as we can only allow 30 people in the building at one time. Registrations will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

The Age-Friendly Community Committee wants to thank the Auburn Recreation Department and its staff for the great support to every one of our events. They have helped to make each one a great success.

Considering the fact that we have only been in existence for 2 years, with a pandemic taking place half-way through, we have successfully united our community and provided many people who have food insecurity and socialization issues with what they needed. It has been quite a challenge and we stepped up to that challenge. We've received many wonderful comments and thanks from almost every participant. We hope to continue for a long time to come with your support.

Thank you,

Jan Biron

On behalf of Leroy G. Walker, Sr., City Councilor, Ward 5

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Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

All Councilors were present.

### **XI. Consent Items - None**

### **XII. Minutes – March 1, 2021 Regular Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Carrier to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Passage 7-0.

### **XXXII. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- Recognition – The Mayor John Jenkins Hands & Hearts Leadership Service Award was awarded to Deputy Fire Chief, Matt Fifield
- Presentation of the City Manager's Preliminary Budget
- Proclamation – Greek Independence Day
- Recognition – The Maine Recreation and Parks Association has awarded the Auburn Parks and Recreation Department with the Facility of Merit Award for the Auburn Senior Community Center
- Council Communications (about and to the community)

**Mayor Levesque** – reminded everyone that the Auburn Mall is the host of the Androscoggin County mass vaccination site.

**Councilor Gerry** – noted that the LA transit bus will be stopping at the Auburn Mall for anyone that needs transportation to get their vaccine.

**Councilor Lasagna** - added that there is also free transportation to vaccination sites throughout the State which can be found on the Maine CDC website. She also said that she has been getting a lot of questions regarding the new proposed zoning and asked if we could hold a question & answer forum on this item.

**Councilor Walker** – announced that the Age Friendly Committee is going to offer a movie at the Senior Center for up to 30 people. Anyone interested should call the Recreation Department to make sure there is room. This will be held on March 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:00 pm. They will be offering another one next month. He also reminded everyone of the Walk in the Park event to be held on March 30<sup>th</sup> at noon.

**XXXIII. Open Session** – no one from the public spoke.

**XXXIV. Unfinished Business**

**21. Ordinance 11-03012021**

Amending Chapter 60 to correct spelling, capitalization and word placement errors. Public hearing and second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

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Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**22. Ordinance 12-03012021**

Amending Chapter 60, Article XVII re-zoning a portion of Parcels PID 057-003, 057-003-001, 057-002, 057-001 on Trapp Road from Rural Residential to Agriculture/Resource Protection. Public hearing and second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public hearing – No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**23. Ordinance 13-03012021**

Amending Chapter 60, Article XVII expanding the form-based code zoning district T-4.2 Traditional Downtown Neighborhood, In the Court/Lake Street and Lake Auburn Avenue, Union, Lake, and Whitney Streets areas. Public hearing and second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Milks and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**24. Ordinance 14-03012021**

Amending Chapter 52 – Traffic. Second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.



Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**25. Ordinance 15-03012021**

Amending Chapter 24 - General Assistance. Second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**26. Ordinance 16-03012021**

Amending Chapter 61, Section 61-1 – Moratorium on social clubs and retail medical marijuana caregiver storefronts. Public hearing and second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

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Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**27. Ordinance 17-03012021**

Amending the Code, Appendix A to include language for the Veteran Relocation and Development Incentive Program. Second reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – No one From the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**XXXV. New Business**

**1. Order 30-03152021**

Re-appointing Bruce Bickford to the Railroad Company to serve from April 2021-April 2024.

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Lasagna for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**2. Order 31-03152021**

Appointing Mayor Jason Levesque to the Railroad Company filling the remaining term of outgoing Director, Richard Trafton, serving from April 2021-April 2023.

Motion was made by Councilor Gerry and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**3. Order 32-03152021**

Initiating a Planning Board Ordinance Change to Amend Chapter 60 – Secondary dwellings.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**4. Order 33-03152021**

Ratifying the contract for (FOP) Fraternal Order of Police Patrol Detectives.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

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Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**XXXVI. Open Session** – No one from the public spoke.

**VIII. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

**Mayor Levesque** – provided an update on proposed legislation, reported that he was invited by MMA to give a presentation to Rep. Golden on Thursday to talk about Auburn and how we are moving forward during COVID, and how we are using the stimulus funds and more.

**Councilor Milks** – reported that the Sewer Trustees will be meeting on Tuesday at 4:00 pm and the Water Trustees will be meeting on Wednesday at 4:00 pm.

**Councilor Macleod** – reported on the last LATC meeting, and the Permits and Fees sub-committee.

**Councilor Lasagna** – commented on the new ELHS Building outline and added that they are working on plans for the ground-breaking.

**Councilor Carrier** – reported that if anyone has questions for the School Committee budget, let him know and he will try to get the questions answered.

**Manager Crowell** – thanked the Finance Director and Department Directors for their work on the budget. He pointed out that he included an Annual Report in the Councilors budget packet adding that it will be available on our website for the public to view. He pointed out that the CIP plan can also be found in their workbooks. He talked about the traffic plan around the ELHS construction. He also went over the budget schedule.

**Jill Eastman, Finance Director – February 2021 Final Monthly Report**

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Milks to accept and place on file the February 2021 Final Monthly Report.

Passage 7-0.

**XXXVII. Executive Sessions:**

**Economic development, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(C)**

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time 8:17 pm.

Council was declared out of executive session at 8:33 pm.

**Personnel matter, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(A)**

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Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Milks to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time 8:33 pm.

Council was declared out of executive session at 8:50 pm.

**X. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilor Lasagna and seconded by Councilor Milks to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned at 8:50 pm.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk

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Mayor Levesque called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Auburn Hall and led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

All Councilors were present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**XIII. Consent Items** - All items with an asterisk (\*) are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member or a citizen so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

**12. Order 34-04052021\***

Setting the date for the second regular council meeting in April to be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

**13. Order 35-04052021\***

Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program FY2020 local solicitation - Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government document to be submitted with the grant application.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage of the two consent items.

Passage 7-0.

**XIV. Minutes – March 15, 2021 Regular Council Meeting**

Motion was made by Councilor Walker and seconded by Councilor Milks to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2021 Regular City Council meeting.

Passage 7-0.

**III. Communications, Presentations and Recognitions**

- Communication - St. Mary's Nutrition Center Annual Report (Auburn Community Gardens)
- Agricultural Committee Update – Katie Boss, Scott Blanchard, David Griswold (via phone)
- Permit Fees Update – Tim MacLeod and Katie Boss
- Council Communications (about and to the community)

**Councilor Gerry** – asked if there would be a presentation from St. Mary's Nutrition Center at a later date.

**Councilor Walker** – commented on the Walk in the Park Event.

**Councilor Lasagna** – thanked Eric Cousens, Liz Allen, and the City Manager for putting together the Community Conversation that took place last week regarding zoning.

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**Mayor Levesque** – commented on the April fool's joke (Auburn's 2021 Lobster Festival) that went out last week. He also provided an update on legislative matters.

**IV. Open Session - No one from the public spoke**

**V. Unfinished Business - None**

**VI. New Business**

**28. Order 36-04052021**

Authorizing the sale of real property to Tambrands, Inc.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0.

**29. Order 37-04052021**

Disposition of building located at 16 Walnut Street under dangerous building statute.  
Hearing for parties with interest in property.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Milks for passage.

Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**30. Order 38-04052021**

Disposition of building located at 32 High Street under dangerous building statute.  
Hearing for parties with interest in property.

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Carrier for passage.

Public hearing - No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**31. Ordinance 18-04052021**

Amending the Code of Ordinances Section 60-34, Buildings per Lot (secondary dwellings). First reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor Walker for passage.

Public comment – No one from the public spoke.

Passage 7-0. A roll call vote was taken.

**VII. Open Session** - No one from the public spoke.

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**VIII. Reports (from sub-committees to Council)**

**Mayor** – he, along with Councilors Boss and MacLeod, have been working with the Mercatus Institute (George Mason University) regarding zoning. They've offered to do a pre walk around/on site evaluation and meet with the Council. One of the lead professors will be in Boston in May and the Mayor would like to invite them to Auburn. The cost would be approximately \$1,500 to cover expenses such as hotel, transportation, and food.

**Councilor Carrier** – provided an update on the School Committee meetings, and Airport Board.

**Councilor MacLeod** – reported that there will be a public Zoom meeting at 6:00 pm on April 7<sup>th</sup> for Citylink bus service.

**Councilor Lasagna** – reported on the high-volume vaccine site in Auburn adding that Citylink has a route that is running every half hour to provide bus service to individuals in need of transportation to get their vaccine.

**City Manager** – provided an update on the American Relief Fund, renewable energy credits, and the Lake Auburn study.

**IX. Executive Session**

- Economic Development, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(C)

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Walker to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time in 8:43 pm.

Council was declared out of executive session at 9:10 pm.

- Property acquisition, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. Sec. 405 (6)(C)

Motion was made by Councilor MacLeod and seconded by Councilor Milks to enter into executive session.

Passage 7-0. Time 9:10 pm.

Council was declared out of executive session at 9:30 pm.

**X. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Councilor Carrier and seconded by Councilor MacLeod to adjourn. Unanimously approved, adjourned at 9:30 pm.

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Susan Clements-Dallaire, City Clerk