

**COUNCIL MINUTES OF  
November 9, 2023**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Charles Ellms, Marcia Delaware, Heidi Kinney, Andrew Bermudez, and Levi Ladd

**EXCUSED ABSENCE:** Peter Haskell and Adam Briggs

**I. PUBLIC HEARING**

*1. Ordinance C2023-07 Lease of Space in the Morrison Building*

No Comments

*2. Order A2023-53 New Victualers License for Jerry Durgin DBA Scoops on Wheels*

No Comments

**II. MINUTES**

*1. Approve/Amend Council Minutes of October 12, 2023*

Motion to approve: **Marcia Delaware**

Second: **Heidi Kinney**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

**III. NOMINATIONS, APPOINTMENTS, & ELECTIONS**

*1. Order A2023-54 Appointment to the School Board*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the appointment of Trina Neptune to the MSAD 46 School Board for a term to expire November 5, 2024.

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**CHARLES ELLMS**

**Marcia Delaware** stated that this is an elected position and there are two vacancies. One is due to a resignation and the other to a termination by the School Board. **Ms. Delaware** stated that we need to advertise for the opening, so we will move this to next month's agenda with our yearly appointments to boards and committees.

*2. Order A2023-55 Election Results from November 7, 2023*

**BE IT ORDERED** that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the results of the State of Maine Referendum Election and Local Municipal Election of November 7, 2023, election as follows:

**STATE OF MAINE ELECTION RESULTS**

**QUESTION 1**

Yes	616
No	310
Blanks	36

**QUESTION 2**

Yes	768
No	172
Blanks	22

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Burton, Michael	741*
Blanks	529

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**HEIDI KINNEY**

Second: **Marcia Delaware**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*1. Manager's Report*

**Trampas King** thanked everyone for their patience with paving as it was done late. The highway crew is still filling in the sides of the roads and it will be good to have everything done. **Mr. King** congratulated the new members that were elected to the Council and thanked those whose terms are up for their dedication and service to the residents of the Town. **Mr. King** stated that the Christmas Tree Lighting followed by Santa at the Town Hall will be Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 and the Holiday Light Parade will be Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00. **Mr. King** reminded everyone of the blood pressure clinic on Wednesdays from 8-10 in the Council Chambers. **Mr. King** told everyone to enjoy their Thanksgiving with their families.

*2. Departmental Reports*

**Levi Ladd** asked if we have lost more officers. **Trampas King** stated that we have but we also got one back. He stated that the Chief is working with the Academy to try to get some recruits.

*3. Ordinance C2023-07 Lease of Space in the Morrison Building*

**BE IT ORDAINED** that the Dexter Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to sign a one-year lease agreement with Jason Wolanyk. Rent will be \$400 a month and the lessee is responsible for providing renters' insurance.

Filed November 9, 2023

**LEVI LADD**

Second: **Charles Ellms**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

*4. Order A2023-53 New Victualers License for Jerry Durgin DBA Scoops o Wheels*

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the new Victualer's License for Jerry Durgin dba Scoops on Wheels, subject to the final inspection and approval from the State and local authorities.

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**MARCIA DELAWARE**

Second: **Heidi Kinney**

Vote: Unanimous in favor, motion passes

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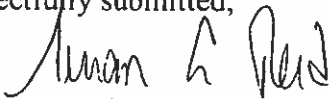
**Marcia Delaware** stood up to honor **Chuck Ellms** who is leaving the Council. She stated that he is the only Councilor that has served seven consecutive years and amazingly he has only missed one meeting the whole time. **Ms. Delaware** said that **Mr. Ellms** is the anchor that always brings the Council back to the center when they get lost and is always quick with Father used to say. **Trampas King** stated that **Mr. Ellms** has always been good to him and has always been patient. He will miss him and appreciates everything he has done for him. He stated that sometimes they disagree, but they have always been friends. **Mr. King** presented him with a clock shaped like the State of Maine. **Mr. Ellms** said that it has been a privilege and honor to serve the residents for all these years and it has been a good experience. **Andrew Bermudez** stated that he has taught him a lot and has always treated him as an equal from day one and he will miss him.

**Marcia Delaware** made a motion to adjourn at 7:27

Second: **Heidi Kinney**

Vote: unanimous in favor, motion passes

Respectfully submitted,



Susan E. Reed, Town Clerk

**IN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**DEXTER, MAINE**

**ORDER A2023-60**

**DECEMBER 14, 2023**

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ to the MSAD 46 School Board for a term to expire November 5, 2024.

Filed December 14, 2023  
**ELIJAH AMES**

**IN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**DEXTER, MAINE**

**ORDER A2023-61**

**DECEMBER 14, 2023**

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the appointment of Albert Kimball Jr. to the Dexter Utility District Board for a term to expire November 5, 2024.

Filed December 14, 2023  
**HEIDI KINNEY**

**IN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**DEXTER, MAINE**

**ORDER A2023-62**

**DECEMBER 14, 2023**

**BE IT ORDERED** that the Dexter Town Council hereby approve the appointment of the following Board/Committee members:

<b>Board/Committee</b>	<b>Openings</b>	<b>Applicant</b>
Airport Committee	3 - 3 year	*Ron Apel
		*Stan Tremblay
		*Tim Briggs
Board of Appeals	3 - 3 year	*Ruth Fogg
	1 - 1 year	*William Lovejoy
Cemetery Advisory	2 - 3 year	*Steve Gudroe
		*Rick Whitney
Human Resources/CDBG	1 - 3 year	*Denise Dinsmore
Library Trustee	3 - 3 year	*Ann Marquis
		Stacey Barker
		Stephanie Saunders
		Stephen Whitesel
Planning Board	3 - 3 year	*Mark McNaughton
		*Stephen Whitesel
		Judy Saunders
Recreation	2 - 3 year	

**\*Currently serving**

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**MARCIA DELAWARE**

**IN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**DEXTER, MAINE**

**ORDER A2023-63**

**DECEMBER 14, 2023**

**BE IT ORDERED** that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the purchase price of \$56,000.00 from Mark Hubbell for a 2022 GMC Sierra for the Fire Department.

Filed December 14, 2023  
**ANDREW BERMUDEZ**

**IN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**DEXTER, MAINE**

**ORDER A2023-64**

**DECEMBER 14, 2023**

**BE IT ORDERED** that the Dexter Town Council hereby accepts the \$5,000.00 from the Dexter Firefighters Association towards the purchase of the 2022 GMC Sierra.

Filed December 14, 2023  
**DANIEL HUTCHINS**



**IN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**DEXTER, MAINE**

**ORDER A2023-65**

**DECEMBER 14, 2023**

**BE IT ORDERED**, that the Dexter Town Council hereby approves the continuation of Beano/Bingo by signing the application for the Carter-Dulac Memorial VFW Post #4298, 20 Cedar Street for January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

Filed December 14, 2023

**LEVI LADD**

IN TOWN COUNCIL  
DEXTER, MAINE

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

DECEMBER 14, 2023

**BE IT ORDAINED** that the Dexter Town Council hereby amends Chapter 9.8 Personnel as follows:

Sec. 9.8-11 Medical Insurance Coverage

An employee who began employment with the town after February 12, 1998, and is a Category A or B employee, will be provided single person health/medical insurance coverage, ninety (90) percent of which is paid for by the town. Employees will be responsible for a ten (10) percent contribution toward the monthly premiums. Contributions will be calculated based on the employee's entitlement and made through payroll deduction. Additional qualifying persons (spouse and/or family members) may be covered under the Town's program, ~~but the employee must assume responsibility for payment of the arrangement.~~ *The employee will be responsible for a seventy (70) percent contribution toward the monthly premium with thirty (30) percent being paid for by the Town.* The town will pay ninety (90) percent of the monthly premiums for the retiree; however the retiree is responsible for payment of additional monthly premiums.