



TOWN OF EAST LONGMEADOW
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TOWN COUNCIL

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Joseph A. Ford Ralph E. Page

MINUTES

Town Council Minutes

July 24, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Council on Aging Media Room, 328 North Main Street
East Longmeadow, Massachusetts 01028

Present: President Kathleen Hill, Vice President Michael Kane, Donald Anderson, Joseph Ford, Thomas O'Connor, and Ralph Page.

President Hill opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a Moment of Silence. Announcements were made in accordance with Mass General Law, and it was noted that ELCAT was taping the meeting.

Motion: Vice President Kane made a motion to go into Executive Session to conduct strategy discussions regarding contract negotiations with the Town Manager, and to return to Open Session for the purpose of continuing with the remainder of the agenda. Councilor Ford seconded and a roll call vote was taken: Councilor Ford – aye; Councilor Page – aye; Councilor Anderson – aye; President Hill – aye; Vice President Kane – aye; Councilor O'Connor – aye. The motion passed.

At 6:48 p.m. the Council reconvened to Open Session.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Proposed Separation Agreement with Town Manager

Motion: Vice President Kane made a motion that the Town Council approve and authorize the Town Council President to sign the proposed separation agreement with Town Manager Denise Menard, and Councilor Anderson seconded.

President Hill noted that this type of motion does not require a roll call vote, but in the interest of the public and of transparency, she felt there should be a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken: Councilor Ford – aye; Councilor Page – aye; Councilor Anderson – aye; President Hill – aye; Vice President Kane – aye; Councilor O'Connor – aye. The motion passed.

President Hill said that Town Manager Denise Menard has elected to retire and, as part of her contract and negotiations with the Town Attorney and the Town Council, they have mutually agreed upon a severance package and wish Ms. Menard the very best of luck and good health in her retirement.

Motion: Vice President Kane made a motion to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. Councilor Ford seconded and all were in favor.

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Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne R. Quaglietti
Assistant Town Clerk