MINUTES OF THE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM

April 17, 2017 – 6:15 PM.

Committee Members present: Councilor Jennifer Soldati, Chair

Councilor Martin P. Dumont Sr.

Councilor Jessica Paradis Councilor Nancy Cameron

Administration/staff present: City Manager Bob Belmore

City Clerk, Trish Harris

Councilor Soldati called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councilor Dumont, seconded by Councilor Paradis, made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on February 7, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

AMENDMENT/S TO COUNCIL RULES & REGULATIONS

Councilor Soldati said she didn't realize the section of the City Council Agenda was "Announcements by Councilors". When she first suggested this to the Mayor Spencer, it was because she wanted the Council to have a chance to respond to the public. The public can speak, but council could not at the beginning of the meeting. She believes Councilors should be able to speak about more than just announcements. She would like to have "announcements" changed to "comments." There was discussion about a possible time limit for councilors.

Councilor Cameron, seconded by Councilor Paradis, made a motion to support an ordinance to amend council rules to change the Agenda to say "Comments by Councilors." The motion passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

There was brief discussion about the Economic Development Manager position. The position is only budgeted to be part time. The consensus was to recruit for a part time ED Manager and use consultants for the remainder of the position. There is no need to hold off.

There was brief discussion about the bulletin board; needs to be kept up to date. There are old postings about the New Hampshire constituents, and that needs to be updated.

Motion to adjourn by Councilor Soldati, seconded by Councilor Cameron. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

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