



City of Somersworth
City Council Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
Tuesday, September 5, 2023
7:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call of Members
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Recognition of Indigenous People – Our Native Ancestral Americans
 - This meeting takes place on N'Dakinna (n-DA-ki-na), which is the unceded traditional ancestral homeland of the Abenaki (a-BEN-a-ki), Pennacook and Wabanaki Peoples past and present. We acknowledge and honor with gratitude the land, waterways, living beings and the Aln8bak (Al-nuh-bak), the people who have stewarded N'dakinna throughout the generations.
4. Public Hearing
 - A. Community Development Block Grant – Update on Building Upgrades to Somersworth Housing Authority Properties
5. Comments by Visitors
6. Consent Calendar
 - A. Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on August 7, 2023
7. Comments by City Councilors
8. Communications
9. Presentations of Petitions and Disposal Thereof by Reference or Otherwise
10. Mayor's Report
11. Report of Standing Committees
12. Report of Special Committees, City Officers and City Manager
13. Nominations, Appointments and Election
 - Nominations Requiring a Council Confirmation Vote:
 - A. Amy LaBelle for re-appointment as the Ward 3 Supervisor of the Checklist with a term to expire June 2028
 - Nominations Being Introduced for Council Confirmation Vote:
 - A. Alyson Visser for appointment as a member to the Cemetery Board of Trustees with a term to expire September 2028

14. Lay on the Table
15. Unfinished Business
16. New Business

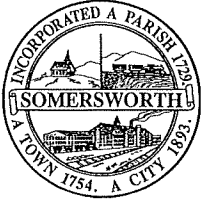
RESOLUTIONS

- A. **Resolution 9-24** – To Authorize the City Manager to Enter into a Grant Agreement with the Department of Homeland Security for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the Purchase of Technical Rescue Equipment
- B. **Resolution 10-24** – To Accept Sunningdale Drive, Firefly Circle, Cattail Circle and Luna Circle as a Public Way
- C. **Resolution 11-24** – Naming Golden Road and Corso Drive and Assigning Addresses if Required
- D. **Resolution 12-24** – Naming Birch Hill Lane and Assigning Addresses if Required

OTHER

- A. Vote to Approve the Request by Unitil for a Waiver of Chapter 13D, Noise/Nuisance Control, to Allow Nighttime Construction from September 10th through September 15th, 2023 on Blackwater Road and the Intersection of Blackwater Road at High Street
- B. Vote to Authorize the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with the City of Dover, City of Rochester, and Strafford County to Operate an Emergency Cold Weather Warming Center at 30 Willand Drive in Somersworth from November 2023 through March 2024, to include an Agreement with a Third Party Organization to Provide Services at the Warming Center and to Authorize Funding in the Amount of \$20,000
- C. Vote to Re-adopt the City of Somersworth Investment Policy

17. Comments by Visitors
18. Closing Comments by Council Members
19. Future Agenda Items
20. Nonpublic Session (as necessary, pending roll call vote by Council)
21. Adjournment



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 9-24

TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR AN ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TECHNICAL RESCUE EQUIPMENT

September 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth has applied for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the Department of Homeland Security, and

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth has received notification of an Assistance to Firefighters Grant Award in the amount of \$47,619 (Forty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Nineteen dollars) which represents 95% of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, the Grant will allow the City of Somersworth to purchase technical rescue equipment for the Fire Department; and

EXPLANATION OF TOTAL PROJECT GRANT BREAKDOWN:

Assistance to Firefighters Grant	=	\$47,619
<u>City Match</u>	=	<u>\$ 2,381</u>
Total Purchase Cost	=	\$50,000

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee and the Finance Committee reviewed and supports entering into this Grant Agreement for the purchase of technical rescue equipment for the Fire Department;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to execute any documents and agreements necessary for the grant's execution, and take any and all other such actions relative to this grant determined to be in the best interest of the City.

Authorization

Sponsored by Councilors:

Martin Pepin
Kenneth S. Vincent
Nancie Cameron
Denis Messier
David A. Witham
Don Austin
Matt Gerding
Robert Gibson

Approved:

City Attorney



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **10-24**

TO ACCEPT SUNNINGDALE DRIVE, FIREFLY CIRCLE, CATTAIL CIRCLE AND LUNA CIRCLE AS PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

September 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the City of Somersworth Planning Board approved a certain subdivision known as Subdivision Plan for The Villages at Sunningdale Subdivision, off Stackpole Road and Green Street, Somersworth New Hampshire, Tax Map 19 Lot 1 and Tax Map 20 Lot 05 (formally known as Tax Map F9, Lots 19-1 and 20-5), Final Plans signed April 16, 2014, revised on December 13, 2013 prepared by Doucet Survey, recorded as Plan #109-014 thru 109-022 at the Strafford County Registry of Deeds and the roadway was to be accepted by the City of Somersworth; and

WHEREAS, the City Council named Sunningdale Drive and Firefly Circle as streets by Resolution No. 22-17 on December 5, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City Council named Cattail Circle and Luna Circle as streets by Resolution No. 31-19 on February 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the roads known as Sunningdale Drive, Firefly Circle, Cattail Circle and Luna Circle has been constructed to the satisfaction of the City; and

WHEREAS, the following conditions apply: A 2-year maintenance Surety Bond in the amount of \$234,000 (Two Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand dollars) is provided acceptable to the City, a deed to the road as well as all needed public utility easements are provided to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the City Manager is authorized to accept and record deeds to Sunningdale Drive, Firefly Circle, Cattail Circle and Luna Circle and said ways are hereby accepted as public rights of way.

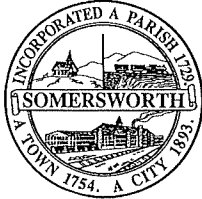
Authorization

Sponsored by Councilors:

David A. Witham
Martin Pepin
Nancie Cameron
Don Austin
Denis Messier

Approved:

City Attorney



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: **11-24**

NAMING GOLDEN ROAD AND CORSO DRIVE AND ASSIGNING ADDRESSES, IF REQUIRED

September 5, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the following roads be named and addresses assigned, if required;

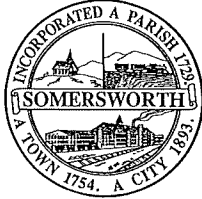
<u>NAME</u>	<u>EXPLANATIONS</u>
“GOLDEN ROAD AND CORSO DRIVE”	<p>1) Names suggested by Developer of the Bernier Street subdivision and approved by the Planning Board in April 2022.</p> <p>2) The E-911 Street Name and Address Committee recommended and approved the street names at their August 8, 2023 Committee meeting.</p> <p>3) The Street name is required to be in compliance with E-911 standards. State E-911 officials concurred that the proposed street name is in compliance with E-911 standards.</p> <p>4) Golden Road and Corso Drive are private roads.</p> <p>5) Developer is required to install a street sign and a “Private Way” sign per City condition of name acceptance.</p>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT this action is in accordance with RSA 231:133; RSA 231:133-a; RSA 106-H; State of NH, Department of Safety, Division of Emergency Communications Addressing Standards, and City of Somersworth Ordinance: Chapter 19, Section 23.

Authorization

Sponsored by:
Councilor Martin Pepin

Approved:
City Attorney



City of Somersworth – Resolution

Resolution No: 12-24

NAMING BIRCH HILL LANE AND ASSIGNING ADDRESSES, IF REQUIRED

September 5, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT the following roads be named and addresses assigned, if required;

NAME

EXPLANATIONS

“BIRCH HILL LANE”

- 1) Names suggested by Developer of the 271 High Street subdivision and approved by the Planning Board in February 2023.
- 2) The E-911 Street Name and Address Committee recommended and approved the street name at their August 23, 2023 Committee meeting.
- 3) The Street name is required to be in compliance with E-911 standards. State E-911 officials have concurred that the proposed street name is in compliance with E-911 standards.
- 4) Developer is required to install a street sign per City condition of name acceptance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSWORTH THAT this action is in accordance with RSA 231:133; RSA 231:133-a; RSA 106-H; State of NH, Department of Safety, Division of Emergency Communications Addressing Standards, and City of Somersworth Ordinance: Chapter 19, Section 23.

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