

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL & SCHOOL BOARD JOINT COMMISSION MEETING
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
December 5, 2018, 6:00 pm.

Committee Members present: Councilor Martin Dumont, Chairman
 Councilor Jon McCallion

School Board Members present Donald Austin
 Matt Hanlon

Others Present: Mayor Dana S. Hilliard
 City Manager Bob Belmore
 SAU Superintendent Bob Gadomski

Councilor Dumont called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING Austin Motioned to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2018 meeting, seconded by McCallion, motion passed unanimously.

GOALS FOR 2019 – 1) New bathrooms and concession area at Memorial field: Belmore stated that School Board Member McCallion had shared that the Town of Kittery has recently completed a similar project; Belmore stated that he contacted them and received a copy of their RFP. Councilor Jon McCallion stated that they should arrange a joint meeting of the Council Recreation Committee with the School Building & Grounds Committee to begin planning.

2) Joint City-School Calendars: Mayor Hilliard suggested he & the City Manager should meet with the School Board Chair & School Superintendent each December to map out their meeting calendars for the next year so we could avoid conflicts on meetings in the Council Chambers. All agreed. Discussion ensued regarding the creation of a Joint City & School Calendar available on each of their websites. The Mayor gave kudos to City staff for the development of the recently launched new City website.

As a start, it was agreed that the City and the School would implement a link on each of their sites so that anyone visiting the City calendar would find a link that would take them to the School calendar, and visa versa. McCallion suggested that as we build to include other calendar links perhaps to such organizations as ROSO soccer that a policy be established on who could be included & a disclaimer policy also be established. He mentioned the use of a 365-management tool. Consensus was to continue this discussion at the next meeting.

3) CTC to launch internship with City and businesses: Hilliard stated that City positions such as call firefighters and recreation camp counselors have been difficult to fill and suggested such internships be considered as part of the extended learning opportunities (ELO) programs. Gadomski stated that certain City and business internships have been under discussion for use in

the ELO structure that would provide credits as well as wage earnings for students. He mentioned a recent roundtable meeting coordinated by the City Economic Development Manager Robin Comstock that brought together several local business leaders to discuss possible internships. Belmore mentioned the need for cable TV operators for the City and School government channels.

SAU WITHDRAWAL Chairman Dumont mentioned Monday's City Council vote to move forward with the SAU withdrawal process. The Mayor indicated that he would be recommending appointments to the Planning Committee prescribed by law at the January 7 Council meeting. Austin indicated that he would do the same at the first School Board meeting in January. Discussion ensued on how the process would unfold.

Austin gave a report on the recent SAU Board meeting and the intent of all parties to co-operate moving forward. Gadomski stated that the Rollinsford Board gave some indication that Rollinsford would embark on a similar withdrawal process. Discussion on various issues regarding how each community might move forward should the withdrawal move forward and be finalized.

NEXT MEETING Chairman Dumont suggested the next meeting be held on Wednesday, January 16 at 5:30pm; all agreed.

ADJOURNMENT McCallion motioned to adjourn, seconded by Austin, motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Belmore