



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023 AT 5:00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 59 MAIN STREET, ORONO, MAINE

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AGENDA

Background information for the meeting will be posted [here](#) before the meeting.

1. Roll Call
2. Agenda Review
3. Approval of Minutes of September 11, 2023
4. Public Comments

Those who wish to speak are asked to come to the microphone (in-person) or raise their hand (Zoom), state their name and affiliation, and then briefly address the Town Council Chair on items not on the agenda. Comments should not be repetitive and the Council Chair reserves the right to limit speaker time.

5. Public Hearings

Public Hearings are formal opportunities for the community to provide feedback on specific items that will be considered by the Town Council. The Council Chair will open each hearing, recognize staff to provide an overview or presentation on the hearing topic, and then ask for questions or comments from the public. Those who wish to speak are asked to come to the microphone (in-person) or raise their hand (Zoom), state their name and affiliation, and then briefly address the Town Council Chair. Comments should not be repetitive and the Council Chair reserves the right to limit speaker time in order to allow for an orderly meeting and participation by all.

- a. To consider Victualer's Licenses for the following businesses:

Stillwater Nutrition, 5 Mill Street, Suite 1.

Mac's Convenience Stores LLC, d/b/a Circle K #7089, 53 Main Street.

Mac's Convenience Stores LLC, d/b/a Circle K #7021, 2 Stillwater Avenue.

- b. To consider a Class I - Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License and Victualer's License for S & M Corporation, d/b/a Thai Orchid, 28 Mill Street.

- c. A Class I-A Hotel Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing & Entertainment and Victualer's License for Black Bear Inn and Conference Center, 4 Godfrey Drive.
- d. A Class I Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing and Entertainment and Victualer's License for Woodman's Brewing Co., d/b/a Orono Brewing Company, 61 Margin Street.
- e. A Class I – Golf Club – Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing and Entertainment, Victualer's License and Auxiliary License for a Mobile Service Bar for Penobscot Valley, LLC, d/b/a Penobscot Valley Country Club, 366 Main Street.
- f. Maine Municipal Association Model General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-H for the period of October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 to be in compliance with Title 22 M.R.S., Sec. 4305(4).

6. Acknowledgments by Council Members

7. Unfinished Business

8. Consent Agenda

The consent agenda is moved and voted on as a single action with no discussion by Town Councilors or members of the public. A member of the Town Council or the public can request that an order on the consent agenda be removed and added to new business to allow for explanation and discussion prior to the vote.

- Order 23-181 Order, approving a Victualer's License for Stillwater Nutrition, 5 Mill Street, Suite 1.
- Order 23-182 Order, approving a Victualer's License for Mac's Convenience Stores LLC, d/b/a Circle K #7089, 53 Main Street.
- Order 23-183 Order, approving a Victualer's License for Mac's Convenience Stores LLC, d/b/a Circle K #7021, 2 Stillwater Avenue.
- Order 23-184 Order, approving a Class I - Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License and Victualer's License for S & M Corporation, d/b/a Thai Orchid, 28 Mill Street.
- Order 23-185 Order, approving a Class I-A Hotel Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing & Entertainment and Victualer's License for Black Bear Inn and Conference Center, 4 Godfrey Drive.
- Order 23-186 Order, approving a Class I Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing and Entertainment and Victualer's License for Woodman's Brewing Co., d/b/a Orono Brewing Company, 61 Margin Street.
- Order 23-187 Order, approving a Class I – Golf Club – Malt Liquor, Wine & Spirits Liquor License, Special Amusement Permit for Music, Dancing and Entertainment, Victualer's License and Auxiliary License for a Mobile Service Bar for Penobscot Valley, LLC, d/b/a Penobscot Valley Country Club, 366 Main Street.

- Order 23-188 Order, changing the time of the November 13, 2023 Regular Council Meeting from 7PM to 5PM.
- Order 23-189 Order, setting the hours of voting as 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the polling place as the University of Maine Collins Center for the Arts in Ward 1, Precincts 1, 2, and 3 for the November 7, 2023 State Election.
- Order 23-190 Order, changing the hours that the Registrar will accept registration of applicants who appear in person as follows: On the last five business days during normal business hours before the November 7, 2023 State Election [MRSA 21A, Sec. 122.6A(2) and Sec. 122.8] (Monday-Thursday, 7:30am-5:30pm).
- Order 23-191 Order, confirming the Town Clerk's appointment of Geoffrey Gordon and Belle Ryder as Wardens, and Angela Kohtala, Suzanne Gordon, and Meghan Gardner as Deputy Wardens for the November 7, 2023 State Election.
- Order 23-192 Order, setting the date of November 13, 2023 at 5PM for a Public Hearing on proposed revisions to the Town of Orono Code of Ordinances Sections 18-31 (Definitions); 18-106 (Schedule of Uses); and 18-132 (Lot and Yard Requirements); 18-138 (Accessory Dwelling Units) as well as adding 18-155 (Affordable Housing Development). *These ordinance changes are proposed to comply with State of Maine Law - enacted in 2022 by virtue of the passage of LD 2003.*
- Order 23-193 Order, setting the date of November 13, 2023 at 5PM for a Public Hearing on proposed revisions to Town of Orono Code of Ordinances Chapter 29, Article III regarding the Renewal Process for Marijuana Establishment Business Licenses
- Order 23-194 Order, setting the date of November 13, 2023 at 5PM for a Public Hearing on Calling a March 5, 2024 Municipal Referendum Election for voter consideration of proposed Amendments to the Orono Town Charter Moving the Annual Municipal Election from the 2nd Tuesday of March (*or within 30 days of said date to coincide with a called state or federal election*) to the 1st Tuesday of November (*or within 30 days of said date to coincide with a called state or federal election*).

9. New Business

After orders under New Business are read by the Council Chair, other members of the Council will move and second that they be placed "on the floor" for discussion. The Chair will recognize staff to provide background and then "open the floor" for discussion. It is at this time that members of the public can be recognized to ask questions or provide comments. Those who wish to speak are asked to come to the microphone (in-person) or raise their hand (Zoom), state their name and affiliation, and then briefly address the Town Council Chair. Comments should not be repetitive and the Council Chair reserves the right to limit speaker time.

- Order 23-195 Order, approving the Maine Municipal Association Model General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-H for the period of October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023 to be in compliance with Title 22 M.R.S., Sec. 4305(4).
- Order 23-196 Order, authorizing the Town Manager to enter into a sole source agreement with

Frazier Signal Technologies of Veazie, Maine for the replacement Traffic Signal Detection Equipment at the Kelley Road - Main Street Intersection at a cost not to exceed \$9,450 with funds drawn from the approved FY24 Miscellaneous Electrical Improvements Capital Account.

Order 23-197 Order, authorizing the Town Manager to make a contribution in the amount of \$25,000 to the Orono Economic Development Corporation's Capital Campaign for the creation of the Caribou Bog Outdoor Center off Taylor Road in Orono with funds drawn from Recreation Department Funds carried forward from the FY23 Municipal Operating Budget for this purpose.

10. Council Committee/Representative Reports

11. Future Agenda Items/Items of Concern

12. Public Petitions

13. Public Comments

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14. Executive Sessions:

a. Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(E) for Consultation with the Town Attorney regarding Council Rights & Responsibilities

Order 23-198 Order, authorizing action(s) related to the matter discussed in Executive Session a.

b. Pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405 (6)(D) for Discussions Related to Collective Bargaining Negotiations with Maine Association of Police - Orono Unit

15. Adjournment

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