

**TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD BEACH
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007
TOWN HALL CHAMBERS**

A Town Council Meeting of the Old Orchard Beach Town Council was held on Tuesday, May 15, 2007. Chairman Joseph Kline opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call:

Present were:

**Councilor Robin Dayton
Councilor Roxanne Frenette
Councilor James Long
Vice Chair Shawn O'Neill
Chairman Joseph Kline**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

COUNCILOR FRENETTE: We wish to invite all citizens to Memorial Park during the visit to our community of the Viet Nam Moving Wall. Opening Ceremonies are Friday, May 25, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. with the attendance of several State and Local officials and the Governor of the State of Maine, John Baldacci. Other ceremonies will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. This is an enormously important event for our community and an opportunity to recognize the ultimate sacrifice given by so many. Our thanks to Jason Webber, Nance Kelley, Nikki Dupliese and Peg Smith for the enormous amount of time and commitment put into the arrangements and to all those who have donated so generously of time, efforts and funds.

COUNCILOR DAYTON: Clean up day this past weekend was very successful and to all the community organizers throughout the municipality as well as members of the Public Works Department, our sincere thanks for your commitment to getting our community ready after the series of storms. It is this type of united efforts that makes our municipality special and to each of you the Council and the administration expresses our deep appreciation. The Assistant Town Manager met this week with teachers of the fifth grade at Loranger School to receive an update on Junior Achievement Day of Sharing. They presented glowing reports as to what this day meant to their students and the encouragement to continue these two special days next year. They expressed appreciation to Junior Achievement Board of Directors, the Chamber of Commerce, and to the Town of Old Orchard Staff. It should also be noted that our Assistant Town Manager is Teaching a class on "Families" at Jameson School during this semester.

VICE CHAIRMAN O'NEILL: The Town Manager and Assistant Town Manager joined a host of students at Loranger to honor George Shabo, Music Director, in his designation of "Teacher of the Year." He is among eight being considered for the State title and members of the panel of judges were present and impressed by the outstanding performance of the band and the enormous support that George has from not only

students and faculty but also parents and citizens alike. Whether he wins the State Title or not – we concur that George deserves this recognition and in our estimation remains the example to any Teacher of what a commitment to youth entails. I would also like to acknowledge and congratulate Cottage Designs of Ocean Park for being one of the thirteen finalists for the coveted Pride of New England Awards. From these thirteen finalists, six honorees will be announced during the Pride of New England Award Reception on Saturday, March 24th at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. Honorees will be selected based on excellence in customer service, creative merchandising, and community involvement. We know they are winners and trust The Pride of New England will recognize that as well.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Town Council Minutes of May 1, 2007; and Town Council Workshop of May 2, 2007.

MOTION: Councilor Frenette motioned and Councilor O'Neill seconded to accept the Town Council Minutes of May 1, 2007.

VOTE: Unanimous.

MOTION: Councilor Frenette motioned and Councilor Dayton seconded to accept the Town Council Workshop Minutes of May 2, 2007.

VOTE: Yea: Councilors Frenette, Dayton, Long and Chairman Kline.
Abstain: Vice Chairman O'Neill

BUSINESS LICENSES: Janet Anderson (201-3-5), 8 Little River Road, one seasonal rental; Donald Piper (302-7-1-5), 152 East Grand Avenue, Unit 5, one year round rental; Maureen Duca (305-4-1), 1 Cleaves Street, Unit 401 & 402, two year round rentals; Stephen Monk & Scott Hatch dba/Southern Maine Towing & Auto Repair, Inc. (207-3-7), 132 Saco Avenue, Tow Trucks, Personal Service (Christmas Trees in December); Stephen Monk & Scott Hatch dba/Southern Maine Towing & Auto Repair, Inc. & Rental (211-1-15), 1 Old Orchard Road, storage units, used car lot, & service station, one year round rental; George M. Hamby dba/DJ's dba/Riptide (307-3-1), 8 West Grand Avenue, victualers, entertaining & dancing; Robert H. Jones, Jr., (307-1-7-26), 2 Fernald Street, Unit 26, one seasonal rental; Gary R. Stryker (310-7-2-4), 64 West Grand Avenue, Unit 4, one seasonal rental; Wayne W. Gammon dba/Gammon's Apparel & Linens (306-4-3-A), 19 East Grand Avenue, Unit C, Novelty Store, two vending machines; John A. Smith (311-18-1), 32 Evergreen Avenue, one seasonal rental; Lei Wang (210-11-6-B), 5 Ocean Park Road, one year round rental; Paul & Candace Burrows (315-6-7), 20 Odessa Avenue, Unit 3, one seasonal rental; Victor Bogart (312-10-16), 96 First Street, six year round rentals; Dennis & Leslie Fuller (310-6-1-240), 39 West Grand Avenue, Unit 240, one year round rental; William & Shirley Cantara (310-6-1-570), 39 West Grand Avenue, Unit 570, one year round rental; Ken Huntley & Sherri Carter (205-8-11), 29 Portland Avenue, two year round rentals; Dennis Caris dba/The Caris Landings Inn by the Sea (206-24-40), 23 School Street, eighteen year round rentals; Dennis Caris dba/The Caris Landings Inn by the Sea, (206-27-10), 29 Saco Avenue, nine year round rentals; Brian J. Tessier (311-7-6), 35 Maplewood Avenue, one seasonal rental; Robert & Michelle Bouthot dba/Strike Zone Restaurant & Pub, Inc. (205-4-1-C), 20 Old Orchard Street, victualers, nine amusement devices, one pool table; Old Orchard Beach, LLC (306-1-2-B), 1 East Grand Avenue, twenty commercial units; and Grand Victorian Condo Owners Association dba/Grand Victorian Condo/Hotel (306-1-2), 1 East Grand Avenue, fifty-one year round rentals.

MOTION: Councilor Frenette motioned and Councilor Long seconded to approve the Business Licenses as read.

VOTE: Unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING LIQUOR LICENSE: George Hamby & Doreen Shurtleff dba/D.J.'s dba/Riptide (307-3-1), 8 West Grand Avenue, malt, spirituous & vinous in a Restaurant/Lounge; and Michelle Bouthot dba/Strike Zone Restaurant & Pub, Inc. (205-4-1-C), 20 Old Orchard Street, malt, spirituous & vinous in a Restaurant/Lounge.

MOTION: Councilor Long motioned and Councilor Frenette seconded to approve the Liquor Licenses as read.

VOTE: Unanimous.

SPECIAL AMUSEMENT PERMITS George Hamby & Doreen Shurtleff dba/D.J.'s dba/Riptide (307-3-1), entertaining and dancing; Michelle Bouthot dba/Strike Zone Restaurant & Pub, Inc. (205-4-1-C), 20 Old Orchard Street, entertaining & dancing; Mimi Vattes dba/The Galaxy Club (306-5-4), entertaining & dancing; Jason Salamacha dba/Barefoot Boy (305-4-5), 45 East Grand Avenue, entertaining & dancing; and Jean Paul & Constance P. Vallee dba/Village Inn (211-9-1) 213 Saco Avenue, entertaining & dancing.

MOTION: Councilor Frenette motioned and Councilor O'Neill seconded to approve the Special Amusement Permits as read.

VOTE: Unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

2040 Discussion with Action: Presentation of Phase 4 of the Veteran's Memorial by Andrea Berlin, Chairman of the Memorial Park Committee, and Richardson & Associates.

CHAIRMAN KLINE: I will introduce Jason Webber, Recreation Director, and Andrea Berlin who will introduce the guest speaker this evening.

JASON WEBBER: Wish to express Richard & Associates, Andrea Berlin and the Memorial Park Committee for all their hard work and say that it is a pleasure to work with them.

RICHARDSON & ASSOCIATES: The memorial park committee approved Richardson and Associates designs for phase 4, [The Veteran's Memorial District] at the Friday April 26th meeting. While working with them over the winter they also showed us a preliminary plan for phase 5 that was well received. While we contracted Richardson and Associates to develop plans for phases 4 & 5, we asked them to focus on phase 4 so we can get this approved by council and into a presentation packet

showing design watercolor sketches and construction costs prior to Memorial Day. I urge you to make a decision on approving this plan tonight in order to have these documents ready for Memorial Day. This presentation also gives our community members and anyone who is visiting over the Memorial weekend an opportunity to view the presentation by Richardson on channel 3. We plan to have a few packets made ahead of the wall coming Memorial Day weekend enabling an immediate mailing to anyone who expresses serious interest. Todd Richardson and his firm have offered to volunteer their time in layout and set up of the wall when it arrives before Memorial Weekend. In addition they have offered to prepare presentation panels that will be weather resistant and Jason is preparing to locate these where visitors will easily view them. We will have a card for visitors to take after viewing the design should they want to become involved. It will have a brief history of the overall project, color designs like the presentation board that was in town hall and contact information. The size of the card has yet to be determined. I thought the size of a standard wedding invitation would be appropriate. In light of the bad press that the Veteran's Administration received this year, our community will be proud when they see what Richardson and Associates has prepared honoring those who have served this country. It is outstanding; sophisticated while being integrated into the existing park we have all worked so hard in the past developing. We held workshops with both of our communities Veteran's groups. Todd Richardson prepared a questionnaire ahead of these presentations for the Veterans asking them to share their words and feelings about the wars they served in. Richardson had a surprising number of responses immediately and continuing several weeks after the workshops were held. They left additional questionnaires for members that were not in attendance. These veterans that took part in the questionnaires will have their words displayed on walls that are integrated into the design, making this very personal for us as a community while allowing anyone who visits the ability to connect to this place we are creating. I am very interested in the material that this wall will be constructed of. I don't want them to rust. Some of the veterans felt that they shouldn't rust as well. The walls will be illuminated at night, which will evoke an added layer to the emotional experience that a visitor to the park might miss during the active recreational hours. In addition the lighting will be an added security feature. Both veterans groups gave permission for the WWII monument to be moved if necessary. They trusted that it would be placed appropriately. They saw the same preliminary design work that Todd Richardson presented to you earlier this winter. I think everyone will be happy with how we sought to make individual areas dedicated to each war. This was one of the requests coming out of the design charrettes we help a year ago.

Process Review/Update: After initial Town Council Presentation – team brought design concept to Veteran's groups. There was a very positive response from both VFW and American Legion Groups. There was emphasis on a creating a place to teach and honor. Further charge from Committee to consider individual spaces for conflict memorials/reflection. Design revisions reviewed by committee and in public forum for approval. Look to Memorial Day/Visiting Vietnam Veterans Wall events as opportunity to share proposal with the whole community. He then discussed the amended schematic design. He discussed the Gateway and Ceremonial Plaza which contained a major light wall which contained the area name and donor list. United States, Military Branch, POW/MIA flags located together with Gathering Bench and Dais area for ceremonies – adjacent to great lawn for major events. WWI and WWII Existing Memorials flank path entering Commemorative Area – emphasizing historical community memorial. Continued discussion was on the Memory Walk Path. This has

heavy-duty brushed stainless steel panels with punch-cut quotations, set in concrete footings emphasizing durability. Fiber-Optic lighting glows between panels and makes words shine – can be maintained from edges of panels. The Landform Ridge at 2.5 feet height creates sense of holding space while retaining safety sightlines and accessibility. The Landform Lookout includes retaining light well cuts in landform increase visibility from top to path and up lights in grove of trees creates glow in space, rather than outlining path. The Reflecting Pool – reflecting space has a lookout area made more intimate – sized for small group and individual reflection, while plaza below hosts major events/commemorations; water table and bench sited sliding past each other to welcome and draw visitors into the space; and deciduous grove creates backdrop to space, and entrance hall. The Memorial Wall includes individual small plazas for reflection peel off of park path leading to memorial area; and materials – pavers granite bench, single sentinel trees – refer to central memorial space palette. The artist-designed memorial posts grace each space and recall qualities and history of individual conflicts. Finally the next steps are to have boards on display at Moving Wall during the Memorial Day Weekend; Marketing booklet is in development; and supporter discussion events to be planned.

CHAIRMAN KLINE: I express my appreciation to all concerned in making this a possibility.

COUNCILOR LONG: I appreciate all who have been concerned. I know there is a force behind this and that is Nance Kelley. This is for those who served rather than the war event itself. I appreciate how the Committee listened to the suggestions and formulated them.

MOTION: Councilor O'Neill motioned and Councilor Frenette seconded to approve the Plan presented on Phase 4 of the Veteran's Memorial project.

VOTE: Unanimous.

2041 Discussion with Action: Approve the Special Event Permit Application for Special Olympics of Maine to hold their annual Parrot Head Volleyball Tournament on the beach in front of the Brunswick on Saturday, July 21, 2007; and a request to waive the fee.

MOTION: Councilor Long motioned and Councilor Dayton seconded to approve the Special Event Permit as read.

VOTE: Unanimous.

2042 Discussion with Action: Approve the Special Event Permit Application from the Recreation Department to hold Jazz Night in Memorial Park, Monday, May 21, 2007, starting at 6:00 p.m.; and a request to waive the fee.

MOTION: Councilor Long motioned and Councilor O'Neill seconded to approve the Special Event Permit Application as read.

VOTE: Unanimous.

2043 Discussion with Action: Approve the Liquor License Renewals for Mimi Vattes dba/The Galaxy Club (306-5-4), 12 East Grand Avenue, malt, spirituous & vinous in a Class A Lounge; Jason Salamacha dba/Barefoot Boy (305-4-5), 45 East Grand Avenue, malt, spirituous & vinous in a Restaurant; Lesla & William Watson dba/Pierre's Restaurant (305-4-4), 47 East Grand Avenue, malt spirituous & vinous in a Restaurant; and Jean Paul & Constance P. Vallee dba/Village Inn (211-9-1), 213 Saco Avenue, malt, spirituous & vinous in a restaurant/lounge.

MOTION: Councilor Long motioned and Councilor Frenette seconded to approve the Liquor License Renewal Applications as read.

VOTE: Unanimous.

2044 Discussion with Action: Approve the purchase of a used 1998 Chevrolet 4 x 4 pickup with extended cab and new tires from Imports Plus of Auburn, Maine, for the Old Orchard Beach Lifeguards Division of Public Safety from Account Number 20202-50850 – Capital Lifeguard Vehicle, in the amount of \$7,995 with a balance of \$8,000.

CHAIRMAN KLINE: In the FY07 Budget the Council approved and encumbered \$8,000 to replace the vehicle currently assigned to the lifeguards. This vehicle is a 1988 Chevrolet Truck which was confiscated by the Old Orchard Beach Police Department in a drug arrest. It is in poor condition and it is no longer feasible to put money into it and will not pass the State Motor Vehicle Inspection. The lifeguards use the vehicle to transport flags, signs, rescue boards, emergency medical and rescue gear and is also used as a response vehicle to the scene of any water related emergency. The vehicle which will be purchased is a used 1998 Chevrolet 4x4 pickup with extended cab (desirable to carry gear) and having new tires. The vehicle will better suit the needs of the lifeguards and is in great condition at a reasonable price.

MOTION: Councilor Long motioned and Councilor Frenette seconded to approve the purchase of a used 1998 Chevrolet 4 x 4 pickup with extended cab and new tires from Imports Plus of Auburn, Maine, for the Old Orchard Beach Lifeguards Division of Public Safety from Account Number 20202-50850 – Capital Lifeguard Vehicle, in the amount of \$7,995 with a balance of \$8,000.

VOTE: Unanimous.

GOOD AND WELFARE

BARBARA ULTSCH: I want to thank Mary Ann Conroy and Louise Reid for their assistance in setting up and carrying out the very successful clean up day for our Municipality.

HELENE WHITTAKER: On behalf of The Community Watch Council and the Neighborhood Watch Districts, we are so pleased to have been successfully involved with the Town in the clean up day last Saturday. I personally want to thank Caroline Segalla and Louise Reid for the work they did getting the message out there; Mary Ann Conroy, Director of Public Works, for being the awesome leader that she is; Tom and Chris from Public Works who didn't expect us Ocean Park people to be so "gun-ho"; Barbara, my Neighborhood Watch Co-Chair, thank you for being there; Marc a volunteer for pulling me out of the Marsh; and saving the best for last, my husband, Carter, for being so understanding. A very special thanks goes to all volunteers, young and old. It was like an extreme clean up day moment seeing volunteers in mass approaching us with their tools in the ready mode. To the residents of Ocean Park, thank you for showing all us, that you do indeed have the community spirit and pride. We did it. Thank you all.

JOE KLINE: Again we thank all those who participated in the clean up weekend for our community.

TERRY O'CONNELL: I would ask the Council members when they plan to meet with the School Department to consider their budget requests. Many of us have been asking that question for some time and would appreciate an answer.

CHAIRMAN KLINE: We will be meeting with the Town Council on May 23rd for a Special Council meeting to consider licenses of businesses that missed the deadline but would like to be open for the Memorial Day weekend. We will then have a meeting on May 30th Workshop when the School Budget will be considered.

MARY ANN: Would like to thank all those who participated in the clean up. Our neighborhoods are looking good and many people participated and we are hopefully ready for the Memorial Day weekend.

ROBIN DAYTON: There are posters and notices around town about a parade on Sunday, May 20th at 1:00 p.m. from the Loranger School in which the support for the school is being proposed and we would ask as many citizens and residents to participate in this important event.

MOTION: Councilor Frenette motioned and Councilor Long seconded to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

V. Louise Reid
Secretary to the Town Council

I, V. Louise Reid, Secretary to the Town Council of Old Orchard Beach, Maine, do hereby certify that the foregoing document consisting of seven (7) is a true copy of the original Minutes of the Town Council Meeting of May 15, 2007.