WISCASSET SELECT BOARD, TAX ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR MINUTES, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

Preliminary Minutes

Present:

Bob Blagden (arrived during the meeting), Chair Judy Colby, Kathy Martin-Savage, Vice

Chair Ben Rines, Jr., Jeff Slack and Town Manager Marian Anderson

Chair Judy Colby called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Treasurer's Warrants

- a. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to approve the payroll warrants of February 9 and 16, 2018. Vote 4-0-0.
- b. Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the accounts payable warrants of February 13 and 20, 2018. Vote 4-0-0.

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to approve the minutes of February 6, 2018. Vote 4-0-0.
- b. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to approve the minutes of February 13, 2018. Vote 4-0-0.
- 4. Special Presentations or Awards none
- 5. Committee Appointments none
- 6. Public Hearings none
- 7. Public Comment none

8. Department Head or Committee Chair

- a. Waterfront Committee-New Main Street Pier Vendor Permit Application/Main Street Pier Policy Revision: An approval date and expiration date have been added to the application. Jeff Slack moved to approve the permit and policy revision. Vote 5-0-0.
- b. Monthly Department Head reports: Marian Anderson thanked the department heads for their reports and added that the adult volunteers were needed by the Rec Center for Winterfest.

9. Unfinished Business

a. Sewer Abatement Policy: After reviewing sewer bill abatement policies of nearby towns with the Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager, the Town Manager had drafted a sewer bill abatement policy to be used when water use exceeds sewer use, such as for lawn watering or filling pool. A separate meter

will be necessary for those uses. The policy was revised to remove the second and third sentences under the Requests paragraph. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to approve the draft as amended. Vote 5-0-0.

- b. Request from Nick Dalton payment of the removal of his artwork located on Town property in the amount of \$1,280: Anderson said the request to display the artwork had been discussed at many meetings including the date when it would be removed, October 1, 2017. When the artwork was not removed by October 1, 2017, Kathy Martin-Savage had left a message at Mr. Dalton's place of employment. As there was no action by Mr. Dalton, the Town removed the artwork on the 23rd of October to the Transfer Station. The sink and faucet were returned to Mr. Dalton. Mr. Dalton is suing the Town for the destruction of his artwork. Judy Colby moved that the Town Manager send a letter to the Opticliff Law firm that the Town will not be reimbursing \$1,280. Vote 5-0-0.
- c. Review of Wiscasset Ambulance Services' proposed rates: EMS Director Toby Martin provided three options of EMS Subsidy Calculations: a fixed capita cost flat rate, splitting the difference 2/3 Wiscasset, 1/3 serving communities after subtracting revenue, and using transfer station calculations. The participating towns' responsibility for uncollectibles was discussed. Further discussion and a decision was postponed to the budget process.

d. Legal Updates

- Wawenock, LLC et al v. State of Maine Department of Transportation: The attorneys have advised the court that the Town is taking no position on the matter and does not intend to file briefs.
- Town of Wiscasset v. State of Maine Department of Transportation: The Town has received permission for extra time to file and has received responses from MDOT. All documents will be on the Town's website.
- Legal Clarification email Mark Robinson dated 2/15/2018: Although the Town has been named as a party in the Wawenock suit, it is not Mr. Doering's intent to cause the Town hardship.

Judy Colby reported that the next hearing will be the week of April 4-9.

10. New Business

- a. Introduction of new Town Treasurer and Police Officer. Marian Anderson introduced Vernice Boyce who will begin March 5. Police Chief Jeff Lange introduced patrolman Allen Terrance who has just left the army after nine years.
- b. Declaration claiming September Childhood Cancer Month: Jeff Slack moved to declare September Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Vote 5-0-0.
- c. Monthly Financials:
 - Department year to date expense report. Anderson said all budgets are in line.
 - H.M. Payson Statement of Account: Jeff Slack said January numbers were down a bit.
- d. Request from First Congregational Church to use Town Dock for Easter Sunrise Services: Jeff Slack moved to allow the request. Vote 5-0-0.

- e. Pyro City 2018 Fireworks Contract Authorize Town Manager to sign the one-year \$8,000 contract. Same price as last year. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to authorize the Town Manager to sign the contract. Vote 4-1-0 (Blagden opposed).
- f. Special Town Meeting Warrant: Judy Colby said it was time for the select board to step back and ask the town whether to continue the lawsuit before any more money is spent. The board discussed a special town meeting to determine the opinion of the voters on proceeding with the lawsuit against MDOT. It was the consensus that there should be only one question on the ballot, whether to proceed with the suit. Funding would not be part of the question. Judy Colby moved to put it before the town on a referendum ballot to either go forward with the lawsuit or drop the lawsuit. The board was encouraged to provide an explanation so that voters would understand the issues. Vote 5-0-0.

11. Town Manager's Report

Marian Anderson announced that the budget books would be ready shortly. The budget schedule was completed as follows:

2/27/18, 6 - 8 p.m. Police Waterfront, Fire, EMS

3/1/18, 6 - 8 p.m. Transfer Wastewater

3/5/18, 6 - 8 p.m. Cemeteries, Public Works, Municipal Building

3/8/18, 6 - 8 p.m. Clerk, Election, Codes, General Assistance

3/13/18, 6 - 8 p.m. Parks & Recreation, Finance, Administration

3/15/18, 8:30 – 11 a.m. Animal Control, Assessing, Boards and Committees, celebrations, Public Utilities, Selectmen, Shellfish, Community Organizations, Contractual, Municipal Insurance.

Other meetings will be scheduled as necessary. Anderson said the budget must be adopted and signed by April 13.

12. Other Business

Bob Blagden announced that Jason Putnam had completed the repair on the clock tower and thanked him and his son for the donation of their labor.

13. Adjournment

Kathy Martin-Savage moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

MEETING MINUTES

The Wiscasset Board of Selectmen, Tax Assessors & Overseers of the Poor met Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Meeting Room.

Present: Chairman Judith Colby, Vice Chairman Benjamin Rines, Jr., Jefferson Slack, Katharine Martin-Savage, Robert Blagden and Town Manager Marian Anderson.

1. Call the meeting to order

At 5:35 Chairman Judy Colby called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Special Town Meeting Warrant

A draft copy of the Special Referendum Town Meeting was distributed to the Board of Selectmen and to those in the audience. Chairman Judy Colby suggested taking out the following informational note:

A "YES" vote will continue the lawsuit. A "NO" vote will stop the lawsuit.

Colby said the purpose of her motion at the previous meeting was to ask a simple straight question, yes or no. She thought the information notes may cause confusion. Audience member Susan Blagden agreed it would be best to remove the "Informational Note"

Katharine-Martin Savage suggested adding another article regarding the funding, should the town vote to continue with the law suit.

Members of the audience expressed the need of making sure the public was well informed of the issue and also that there were parties willing to help pay the legal costs incurred by the Town.

Anne Leslie asked the Board if the Town votes to continue with the lawsuit, whether the Board would call another Special Town Meeting to accept donations/and or ask for funding. Chairman Colby said if the Town votes to continue the lawsuit, the Board would then take the necessary steps to seek funding.

Bill Sutter expressed concern that by stopping the lawsuit the Town decides not to defend its current ordinances.

Bill Maloney said he attended the meeting on February 13 and read the consent agreement which does not include any Main Street parking and said his interpretation of what the Town's attorney was saying is that the Town doesn't have a shot of winning this law suit.

A motion was made by Judy Colby, seconded by Jeff Slack to approve the following articles for a Special Referendum Town Meeting:

Article 1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. Do you wish to continue with the lawsuit filed by the Town of Wiscasset against the Maine Department of Transportation regarding the Wiscasset Downtown Project?

A motion was made by Judy Colby, second by Jeff Slack to set April 17, 2018 as the date for the Special Referendum Town Meeting and April 3, 2018 as the Special Referendum Town Meeting Public Hearing date, motion passed 5-0-0

3. Adjournment

At 6:03 a motion was made by Judy Colby, seconded by Jeff Slack to adjourn, motion passed, 5-0-0.

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Craig Worster Sergeant

To:

Marian Anderson

Town Manager, Town of Wiscasset

From: Jeffrey Lange

Chief of Police

RE:

Updating Radios with Lincoln County Grant

Date: 1/25/2018

Mrs. Anderson,

In July 2017 the Police Department was notified by Lincoln County Office of Emergency Management that they received a grant to upgrade the radio systems for the Simulcast system. This grant would allow the Wiscasset PD to purchase radios at \$200.00 a piece out of the estimated cost average cost of \$1142.62 for mobiles, portables and base radios. This is a huge cost saving for the town to take advantage of.

The PD is struggling with the radio reception and is in my expert opinion an officer safety issue when an officer can't respond on his portable while outside the cruiser at a scene. There are many dead spots in Wiscasset primarily in the southern section, where not only does the portable radios not work but the cruisers have difficulties as well.

Cruiser 108 recently needed repairs to the aging radio system and was replaced with one of the grantassisted radios using funds from operating budget of the PD. I am happy to report that the radio system has no interference problems anywhere in town and is much safer for the officer in the car. But still not while he or she is on foot.

I have just been informed that the choice to purchase these radios is being put off until after July 1, 2018, and you have confirmed that this purchase should be still authorized by the county, past their deadline of June 30, 2018.

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I would like to request that the Town of Wiscasset does not wait until the new fiscal year to purchase this much-needed equipment. I believe this is an officer safety issue that the town needs to be aware of and act upon immediately since the equipment is available now.

Please relay my sentiments to the Board of Selectman.

The remaining purchase costs for the portable, mobile and base radios are \$2400.00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey E. Lange

CHIEF OF POLICE

Wiscasset Police Department

John Haye

51 Bath Road

Wiscasset, Maine 04578

Marian Anderson

From:

Marian Anderson < townmanager@wiscasset.org>

Sent:

Monday, February 26, 2018 11:52 AM

To: Cc: chief@wiscassetpd.org 'Casey Stevens [EMA]'

Subject:

Updating radios with Lincoln County Grant memo dated 1 25 2018

Jeff.

If you have the \$2,400 in your budget to purchase the radios, purchase them. If you do not, this is an unbudgeted item and there are no reserve funds available without Town meeting approval.

I am pleased to speak with the County Lincoln Commissioners and reach out to the other communities to see how they handled this unfunded expenditure.

Let me know how you would like to proceed.

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Marían L. Anderson, Town Manager Town of Wiscasset 51 Bath Road Wiscasset, Maine 04578-4108 207-882-8200 x 108

LIQUOR LICENSE-RENEWAL

Liquor licenses held by the same owner at the same location for five (5) or more years and have had no complaints within that time may be approved or denied by the Wiscasset Town Clerk, after advice and consent from the Wiscasset Code Enforcement Officer and the Wiscasset Police Department.

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Office of Planning & Codes

LIQUOR LICENSE POLICY (Adopted: 5 April 2016)

- 1. All liquor license applications, including renewals, shall come before the Board of Selectmen for approval.
 - A. The Wiscasset Town Clerk shall provide public notice of any public hearing held under this policy by causing a notice, at the applicant's prepaid expense, stating the business name and the location of the hearing, to appear at least five (5) days before the hearing in a newspaper having general circulation in the Wiscasset.



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- 1. Liquor licenses held by the same owner at the same location for five (5) or more years and have had no complaints within that time may be approved or denied by the Wiscasset Town Clerk, after advice and consent from the Wiscasset Code Enforcement Officer and Wiscasset Police Department.
- 2. Liquor licenses held four (4) years or less, changes in ownership, or a license that the town has received complaints about shall come before the Wiscasset Board of Selectmen for a public hearing and approval or denial.
 - A. The Wiscasset Town Clerk shall provide public notice of any public hearing held under this policy by causing a notice, at the applicant's prepaid expense, stating the business name and the location of the hearing, to appear at least five (5) days before the hearing in a newspaper having general circulation in the Wiscasset.

Cohasset Historical Society

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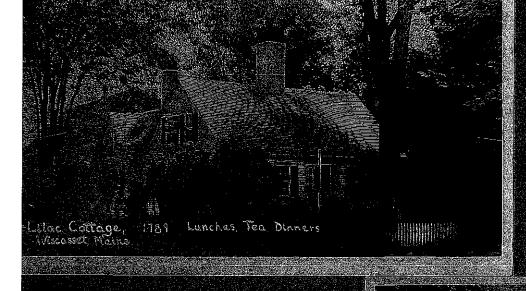
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I spoke to someone yesterday about these. They came to us in a big box of shift from a cleaned out attic. I tried contacting your historical society with no lick. Hope someone will enjoy these.

Best/Inlia





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