

WISCASSET SELECT BOARD,  
TAX ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR  
BUDGET MEETING VIA ZOOM  
MARCH 9, 2021

Present: Kim Andersson, Chair Pam Dunning, Vice Chair Kathy Martin-Savage, Jeff Slack, Sarah Whitfield, and Town Manager Dennis Simmons

1. Call to Order

The chair called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. Budget Discussion

In the discussion before Kim Andersson and Sarah Whitfield arrived, the following were noted:

- Animal Control contract has not yet been received.
- The Assessing number includes office postage, etc. and not the contract itself.
- Boards and Committees (\$3,072) has been reduced because the need for an HPC secretary has been removed.
- Capital Improvements includes Commercial Pier debt (\$40,464); new Bobcat for public works; Maine Utility agreement for redoing the manholes (\$65,000); Old Ferry Road necessary culvert repair (\$525,000); New police cruiser (\$55,000); Wastewater Treatment Plant (\$220,000); Dump Truck(\$60,000 to \$90,000); two waste pumps(\$30-\$50,000); three or four blowers, plant effluent pumps (\$15,00-\$30,000); Muffin Monster (\$10,000); Headwork heater (\$6,000); 5 pumps (\$4,000 repair); EMS Technology upgrades (\$20,000); Parks and Recreation improvements- hot water tanks, carpeting replacement of AC unit (\$60,000); Fire Department Rescue Boat (\$20,000); and Fire Department overhead doors (\$10,000).

The full board was present for the following votes:

- 100 - Kim Andersson moved to approve \$189,492 for Administration. Vote 5-0-0.
- 101 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$94,818 for Airport. Vote 5-0-0.
- 102 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$15,575 for Animal Control. Vote 5-0-0.
- 103 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$6,492 for Assessing. Vote 5-0-0.
- 104 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$3,072 for Boards and Committees. Vote 5-0-0.
- 105 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$12,750 for Celebrations. Vote 5-0-0.
- 106 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$95,280 for Clerk. Vote 5-0-0.
- 107 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$36,827 for Code Enforcement. Vote 5-0-0.
- 108, 109 – Jeff Slack moved to approve \$62,050 for Community Organizations. Vote 4-0-1 (Dunning abstained)
- 110 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$50,000 for Contingency. Vote 4-1-0 (Slack opposed)
- 112 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$231,868 for Debt Service. Vote 5-0-0.
- 113 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$22,668 for Elections. Vote 5-0-0.
- 114 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$614,577 for EMS. Vote 5-0-0.

- 115 – Kathy Martin Savage moved to approve \$144,339 for Fire. Vote 5-0-0.
- 116 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$266,039 for Finance. Vote 5-0-0.
- 117 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$24,703 for General Assistance. Vote 5-0-0.
- 118 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$77,160 for Municipal Building. Vote 5-0-0.
- 119 – Kim Anderson moved to approve \$225,714 for Municipal Insurance. Vote 5-0-0.
- 121 – Kim Andersson moved to approve \$808,891 for Parks & Recreation. Vote 4-1-0 (Slack opposed).
- 122 – Sarah Whitfield moved to approve \$35,000 for Planning. Vote 5-0-0.
- 123 – Kathy Martin Savage moved to approve \$587,112 for Police. Vote 5-0-0.
- 124 – Kathy Martin Savage moved to approve \$51,402 for SRO. Vote 4-1-0 (Slack opposed).
- 125 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$317,930 for Public Utilities. (Withdrawn)
- 126 – Jeff Slack moved to approve \$637,215 for Public Works. Vote 5-0-0.
- 127 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$27,362 for Selectmen. Vote 4-1-0 (Andersson opposed)
- 129 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$14,466 for Senior Center. Vote 5-0-0.
- 130 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$6,000 for Shellfish. Vote 5-0-0.
- 132 – Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve \$601,601 for Transfer Station. Vote 5-0-0.  
Jeff Slack moved to approve \$766,164 for Wastewater Treatment Plant. Vote 5-0-0.
- 133 – Jeff Slack moved to approve \$61,975 for Waterfront and Harbor. Vote 5-0-0.

Cemeteries and Public Utilities will be taken up at a future meeting.

Questions on revenue will be taken up at the next meeting.

Kathleen Onorato noted that the County tax is billed and not usually on warrant – the actual number is \$661,295 an increase of \$7,048 over last year.

### 3. Adjournment

Kim Andersson moved to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. Vote 5-0-0