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WISCASSET SELECT BOARD,
TAX ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
DECEMBER 21, 2021, VIA ZOOM

Preliminary Minutes

Present: Kim Andersson, Pam Dunning, Terry Heller, Vice Chair Dusty Jones, Chair Sarah Whitfield, and Town Manager Dennis Simmons

Chair Sarah Whitfield called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

1. Approval of Treasurer's Warrant

Pam Dunning moved to approve the payroll warrants of December 10 and December 17, 2021. Vote 5-0-0.

Terry Heller moved to approve the accounts payable warrants of December 14 and December 21, 2021. Vote 5-0-0.

2. Approval of Minutes

Pam Dunning moved to approve the minutes of December 7, 2021, as amended. Vote 5-0-0.

3. Special Presentations or Awards – none

4. Committee Appointments – none

5. Public Hearings – none

6. Public Comment – none

7. Department head or committee chair

Pam Dunning commented on the department heads' excellent jobs.

8. Unfinished Business

a. Net Energy Billing Presentation – Adam Tiff, Titan Energy: Tiff, in his explanation of net energy billing, described the four points: 1. Solar power is generated remotely, 2. Solar power is transferred to the local power grid, 3. The utility company applies credit to the customer's bill, 4. Customer signs an agreement with owner of solar array to receive credits and pay for them at a discount, typically a 20% discount. Tiff said there is no cost to participate but the best discount rate is dependent upon the length of the contract. He recommends municipalities make a long-term commitment for the best discount rate. He advises communities to make sure that the project is far along in development cycle, the parcel is ready to build on, and the developers are financially sound. He recommends the Town solicit requests for proposal and that it be done soon. He added that the only way to lose money is to sign up for more credits than one needs. Town Manager Dennis Simmons said the Town had \$2,000 from Lincoln County Planning for a consultant on the solar issue. The matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

9. New Business

a. Monthly Financial Reports

- Department year to date expense/revenue summary
- H.M. Payson State of Account

b. Lincoln County Hazard Mitigation Plan-2021 Update: **Terry Heller moved to adopt the Lincoln County Hazard Mitigation Plan -2021 Update.** Planner Emily Rabbe explained that a new plan would contain a risk assessment, an analysis of past experience and estimate of potential losses. The mitigation list is also updated. The county’s adoption of the mitigation plan does not commit the town to fulfill those strategies, but funding may be available for those listed in the plan. **Vote 5-0-0.**

c. Correspondence: A letter was received from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager thanking the Board and Dennis for the ARPA funds money as well as a letter from Robert Wolf and Robert McDonald, representing the town’s two unions, thanking the board for the bonuses.

d. Bid Opening – Fire Department Overhead Door Openers: The following two bids were received:

- PDQ Door \$12,400
- Overhead Door Co. \$ 8,648

Dennis Simmons said the Town had \$10,000 to spend on the door. **Terry Heller moved to authorize the Town Manager and Fire Chief to review the bids and award the bid to the lowest qualified bidder. Vote 5-0-0.**

e. Annual Renewal of Check Disbursement Policy: **Pam Dunning moved to renew the Check Disbursement Policy. Vote 5-0-0.**

f. Airport Rescue Grant: **Pam Dunning moved to authorize the Town Manager to execute the Airport Rescue Grant No. 3-23-0049-028-2022.** Simmons said the grant may be used for anything in the operation of the airport. **Vote 5-0-0.**

g. Art Gallery Lease: Terry Heller volunteered to work with the Town Manager on the lease which will be brought back for the board’s approval.

g. James Weldon Johnson future discussion: Meadow Dibble, Director of Community Engaged Research with the permanent commission on the status of racial, indigenous and tribal populations was present and spoke on the act which established a James Weldon Johnson memorial and on the opportunities it presented for Wiscasset. The board discussed the status of the planned memorial plaque and future board action. Sarah Whitfield said the last vote on the matter was that Lucia Droby would work with the Town Manager to come up with a design of the plaque and a recommended location. Funds have been raised for the memorial. The chair recommended that the Town Manager and Lucia Droby present the final design and proposed location to the board at a future meeting.

10. Town Manager’s Report

Dennis Simmons reported that the Optimus TIF application had been submitted to the Department of Economic & Community Development and Optimus will be working with the Code Enforcement Officer to get started with the process for the Planning Board.

Filters have been installed on the two wells by the old landfill which contain PFAS. Total costs were \$20,096 and the Town has requested a 90% reimbursement from the State.

All other matters in the report were discussed earlier in the meeting.

11. Other Board Business

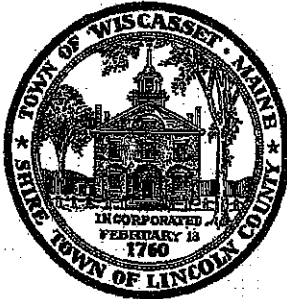
None

12. Adjournment

Kim Andersson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.

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BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION

Every person, firm, corporation, LLC, professional association or partnership doing business within the Town of Wiscasset must complete this Application.

Name/Title of Business: Root & Reach Consulting
New Business Existing Business years in operation Ownership/Location Change

Location of business: 307 Federal Street, Wiscasset Map/Lot R-05-132
Preferred mailing address: SAME

Business phone number: 914 419 2811

Description of Business: Business consulting - virtual & onsite at client locations
(never at 307 Federal)

Owner's name: Tara Paluck Owner's phone: 914 419 2811

Owner's home address: 307 Federal St, Wiscasset

*Emergency contact person: Matt Servilio

*Emergency phone numbers: home: cell: 201 800 1453

*This information will be shared with 911 so you can be contacted in case of after hour emergencies.

*If you are an existing business and would like to be placed on the Town of Wiscasset Website please complete the section in the "New Business" box below.

NEW BUSINESSES ONLY COMPLETE BELOW INFORMATION	
Have you seen the Code Enforcement Officer and Town Planner for approval?	<u>NO YES</u>
Will you need a sign permit?	<u>NO</u>
Will this business be a home occupation?	<u>MIX - home (virtual only) & client locations</u>
This business will be a:	Corporation or LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Sole proprietor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Would you like a link to your business placed on the Town of Wiscasset Website?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Provide e-mail and/or web address:	<u>Tara@rootandreachconsulting.com</u>

Please be aware that State licenses and permits may be required. This application must be updated every three years with the Town of Wiscasset.

I, Tara Paluck, state that I am owner of the above name firm or business, and make oath that the information stated above is true and I am aware that all applicable local, state and federal ordinances, laws, rules, and regulations must be complied with before this License can be issued.

Date: Dec 16, 2021

Signature: Tara Paluck

(TOWN CLERK SECTION BELOW)

DATE RECEIVED: 12/20/2021 DATE APPROVED: ASSESSING: WEB/LIST:
Rec'd 12/20/2021

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION-NEW

Business Requesting License: _____

Code Enforcement Officer:

Comments: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Wiscasset Police:

Comments: No concerns

DocuSigned by:
Signed: *Chief Hesseline* Dated: 12/21/2021 | 15:51 EST
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Planning Department:

Comments: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Fire Department:

Comments: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

EMS Department:

Comments: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

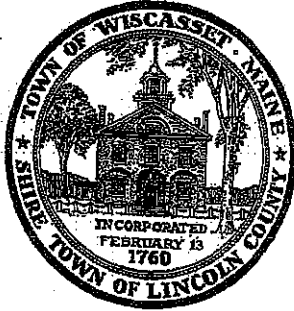
Waste Water:

Comments: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

License Approved: _____ Dated: _____

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Name/Title of Business: MARKET 27 LLC
New Business Existing Business years in operation Ownership/Location Change

Location of business: 475 GARDINER RD Map/Lot _____
Preferred mailing address: 475 GARDINER RD
Business phone number: 207-882-4101
Description of Business: _____

Owner's name: MD KAZI ABDIN Owner's phone: 352-804-6424
Owner's home address: 81 Glenridge Dr Augusta ME, 04330

*Emergency contact person: SHAWN
*Emergency phone numbers: home: _____ cell: 207-252-8861

*This information will be shared with 911 so you can be contacted in case of after hour emergencies.
*If you are an existing business and would like to be placed on the Town of Wiscasset Website please complete the section in the "New Business" box below.

NEW BUSINESSES ONLY COMPLETE BELOW INFORMATION

Have you seen the Code Enforcement Officer and Town Planner for approval? Positive

Will you need a sign permit? YES - pending

Will this business be a home occupation? NO

This business will be a: Corporation or LLC Partnership _____ Sole proprietor _____

Would you like a link to your business placed on the Town of Wiscasset Website? Yes No

Provide e-mail and/or web address: imfiaz_emu@yahoo.com

Please be aware that State licenses and permits may be required. This application must be updated every three years with the Town of Wiscasset.

I, MD. Kazi Abdin, state that I am owner of the above name firm or business, and make oath that the information stated above is true and I am aware that all applicable local, state and federal ordinances, laws, rules, and regulations must be complied with before this License can be issued.

Date: 09/14/21 Signature: [Signature]

(TOWN CLERK SECTION BELOW)

DATE RECEIVED: _____ DATE APPROVED: _____ ASSESSING: _____ WEB/LIST: _____

Recd. 12/13/2021

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION-NEW

Business Requesting License: Market 27 LLC

Code Enforcement Officer:

Comments: I checked their new signs, there ok. no other concerns

Signed: DocuSigned by:
Bruce Mullins
4FFAF1178A104FE... Dated: 12/13/2021 | 16:18 EST

Wiscasset Police:

Comments: no concerns

Signed: DocuSigned by:
Chief Hesselbine
1C8B045FCB3E418... Dated: 12/14/2021 | 07:29 EST

Planning Department:

Comments: _____

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Fire Department:

Comments: No concerns

Signed: DocuSigned by:
Robert Bickford
F241099CDFDA484... Dated: 12/13/2021 | 16:34 EST

EMS Department:

Comments: No comments

Signed: DocuSigned by:
Erin Bran
27D8E4999FD143E... Dated: 12/13/2021 | 16:00 EST

Waste Water:

Comments: No concerns at this time.

Signed: DocuSigned by:
Rob Lalli
2DE25B2E2D874D9... Dated: 12/17/2021 | 13:05 EST

License Approved: _____ Dated: _____

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Gregg Wood
Chairman
Wiscasset Water District

Gregg,

This will be my final meeting as a Trustee of the Wiscasset Water District. I've decided to step away to pursue other interests. I have enjoyed my tenure on the board and wish each of you success in the future.

Respectively,



Phil Di Vece



Town of Wiscasset

Office of the Town Manager

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January 4, 2022

To: Wiscasset Selectboard

Ref: Town Manager's report

As I have reported a couple of times the Mason Station ash pond clean-up is behind schedule. This has mainly been due to the very wet conditions we have experienced. The larger rain storms this fall not only dumped a lot of water directly into the ponds, the water table in the area is so high that even when the ponds are pumped dry, the next morning they had several inches of water in them. (On Nov 5th they had pumped one pond down to 3" and the next day when the crew arrived it had 16" in it). Not only is this delaying the project but, as delays often do, it is adding to the cost. For the moment the work on the site has come to a halt until the Town, Ransom and EnviroVantage can evaluate the situation and a future plan of action. Jamie (Ransom) has been on vacation over the holidays so these discussions will happen in early January.

The new Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that was recently passed included money for our national airport network. I have recently learned that the Wiscasset Municipal Airport will receive \$159,000. It is my understanding at this point that this is for Year 1 of a 5-year program. What the payments going forward will be I do not yet know. This is in addition to the recently awarded Rescue Grant of \$32,000. I expect additional guidance to be issued after the first of the year as to what the allowable expenses will be but it appears at this point for us the funds can be spent on upgrading the terminal (FBO) building and other infrastructure.

We submitted a claim to the insurance company for the damage done to the cruiser when it was struck by the driver trying to elude police during the recent chase through town. Given the mileage and the age they have elected to declare it a total loss and will issue a check in the amount of \$10,752.20. We do have the option of keeping the vehicle and they will issue us a check for \$6,927.70 (less the deductible and salvage value). The estimate to repair the body damage is \$11,047.86. There does appear to be damage to the front suspension as well that we do not have an estimate on. Chief and I have discussed this with the Ted and the town mechanic and given the age, high mileage and repair costs it does not make sense to keep it. I am asking the Board for permission to transfer the title to the insurance company. It will be stripped of all of the equipment. The funds will be set aside in a special account.

The FY'20 Audit has finally been completed. Brewer is putting it in an electronic form to send the Board. You should have it in time for him to go over it during your January 18th meeting.

Phil DeVece has resigned from the Board of Trustees for the Water District. It will be up to the Board to appoint a replacement. Chris Cossette has provided me with one person that might be interested but as of now I have not made contact with him. If he isn't interested, I will post the opening on the town website and at the office.