

WISCASSET SELECT BOARD,
TAX ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
MARCH 3, 2020

Present: Kim Andersson, Chair Judy Colby, Kathy Martin-Savage, Vice Chair Ben Rines, Jr., Jeff Slack and Town Manager John O'Connell

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

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Treasurer's Warrants

Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the payroll warrants of February 28, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.

Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the accounts payable warrants of March 3, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.

Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the supplemental warrants. Vote 5-0-0.

3. Approval of Minutes.

Ben Rines, Jr., moved to approve the minutes of February 25, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.

4. Special Presentations or Awards – none

5. Committee Appointments

Jeff Slack moved to approve the appointments of Canny Cahn to the Appearance of the Town Committee and Carla Brooke Dickstein to the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Vote 5-0-0.

6. Public Hearing

a. Carla Chapman, DBA The Cubby Hole, 213 West Alna Road

Ben Rines moved to go into the public hearing. Vote 5-0-0. There were no comments or questions.

Ben Rines, Jr. moved to exit the public hearing. Vote 5-0-0. Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the liquor license for the Cubby Hole. Vote 5-0-0.

b. Chandler Sowden, DBA In a Silent Way, LLC, at 65 Main Street

Ben Rines, Jr., moved to go into the public hearing. Vote 5-0-0. There were no comments or questions. **Ben Rines, Jr. moved to exit the public hearing. Vote 5-0-0. Jeff Slack moved to approve the liquor license for In a Silent Way. Vote 5-0-0.**

7. Public Comment

Kim Dolce asked the select board's help with a series of problems she and Jim Kochan had experienced with conflicting statements regarding the necessary approvals for his business on Fort Hill Street. John O'Connell said the matter had been referred to the attorney, but he had received no response to date.

8. Department head or committee chair

9. Unfinished Business

- a. Electrical meter installation update – Ted Snowden: Peter Wells, who had helped with the pier planning, displayed a drawing of the pier showing the vendor spaces on the perimeter of the pier, electrical meter locations and public spaces. The use of the Chamber of Commerce electric meter for town events such as Christmas displays was discussed. The responsibility for payment of the Chamber electrical service will be discussed in the future. Ted Snowden said there were adequate funds in the Waterfront budget to pay for lumber for pier repairs and for the electrical meters. **Kathy Martin-Savage moved to have Ted Snowden use the funds necessary for meter project, and repair of deck, and repair of the walkway at the commercial pier from the Waterfront Budget. Vote 5-0-0.**
- b. Pier Policy Update – Susan Robson: Robson distributed copies of the pier policy draft which included changes requested by the board. **Jeff Slack moved to approve the pier application and updates to the policy. Vote 5-0-0.**
- c. Ordinance Review Committee suggested revisions for June warrant: **Kathy Martin-Savage moved to accept the shoreland, zoning and historic preservation articles and include them on the June warrant. Vote 5-0-0.**

10. New Business

11. Town Manager's Report

- a. Budget Workshop is scheduled for Thursday, March 5.
- b. Town Manager's Search – The deadline has passed, and the board will review the applications.
- c. Investment Committee meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for March 24.
- d. Future ORC assignments: O'Connell listed the assignments for the Ordinance Review Committee as follows: Bruce Mullins' memo of July 15, 2019 to ORC regarding abandoned mobile homes, solar farm ordinance, Certificates of Occupancy; illegal junkyards; Business License process; Requirement for Building Code (MUBIC); Wastewater Treatment Plant regulations for coffee roasters and beer breweries; and marijuana. **Judy Colby moved to refer the list to the Ordinance Review Committee. Vote 5-0-0.**
- e. Stantec Contract: The Stantec bid was accepted, and the contract has been signed.
- f. Concerns about the lost parking spaces because of interference with the stop lights on Main Street have been forwarded to Ernie Martin (DOT).
- g. O'Connell and Bruce Mullins, CEO, will meet with Mike Benetis regarding the part of the transmission line from Maine Yankee to Winthrop which needs repair.
- h. O'Connell referred to a law to protect firefighters and EMTs from repercussions when they are unable to report on time to their regular jobs. He said the Fire and Ambulance departments need a

policy in place to give to employers. **Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve Absence from Work Policy 218. Vote 5-0-0.**

i. The U.S. census training will take place in the meeting room on March 6 and March 13. Chief Hesseltine was asked to check that the doors are locked after the training sessions.

12. Other Board Business

At 6:35 p.m. Kathy Martin-Savage moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A §405 (6) (A). Vote 5-0-0. The board exited executive session at 6:57 p.m. No vote was taken

At 6:58 p.m. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (D). Vote 5-0-0. The board exited executive session at 7:10. No vote was taken.

13. Adjournment

Kathy Martin-Savage moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Vote 5-0-0.