

WISCASSET SELECT BOARD,
TAX ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
MAY 5, 2020

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

Press: Charlotte Boynton, Lincoln County News

Chair Judy Colby called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. via Cisco Webex remote teleconferencing.

1. Pledge of Allegiance – none

2. Approval of Treasurer's Warrants

a. **Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the payroll warrants of April 24 and May 1, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.**

b. **Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the accounts payable warrants of April 28, 2020 and May 5, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.**

3. Approval of Minutes

a. **Ben Rines, Jr., moved to approve the minutes of April 16, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.**

b. **Jeff Slack moved to approve the minutes of April 21 and April 28, 2020. Vote 5-0-0.**

4. Special Presentations or Awards – none

5. Committee Appointments – none

6. Public Hearing – none

7. Public Comment – none

8. Department head or committee chair – none

9. Unfinished Business

a. Conditional Septage Agreement: Rob Lalli asked the board for permission to accept septage from Chuck Applebee in accordance with an agreement that would limit domestic septage deliveries to two per week and only from sources in Wiscasset. The deliveries must include the name, address, and phone number of the source of the septage, the deliveries must not exceed 3,000 gallons and must be made only in the presence of the Wastewater Treatment Plant personnel. Lallis said each load will be checked for PH reflective of toxic sources between 5.5 and 9.5. Lalli said Chuck Applebee has agreed to the terms of the agreement and he asked that the board accept the agreement so that the plant can accept that septage in the near future. **Jeff Slack moved to approve the agreement. Vote 5-0-0.**

10. New Business

a. Pier Vendor Permit Renewals

- Frank Sprague, Sprague's Lobster
- Theresa Gray, Coastal Cones
- Todd Jubinville, the Potter's Shed
- Wiscasset Area Chamber of Commerce (fee waiver recommended by Waterfront Committee)
- Claudia Sortwell, Wiscasset Farmer's Market (fee waiver recommended by Waterfront Committee)

Kathy Martin-Savage moved to approve the entire list. In response to Ben Rines, Jr.'s question, John O'Connell said that after the vendors have the Town permits, they will have to conform to the governor's guidelines and the food inspection standards, which are not the town's responsibility to oversee. With respect to the Town's liability, O'Connell said the Town has both liability and insurance coverage; the vendors will have a victualer's license and will have to abide by the new State regulations. Judy Colby added that once the vendors receive their business permits, they will have to apply to the State to open for business and it will be the State's responsibility to shut them down if necessary. Ben Rines, Jr., confirmed that the Town could shut the vendors down if problems occurred. **Vote 5-0-0. Ben Rines, Jr., moved to waive the fees for the Farmer's Market and the Wiscasset Area Chamber of Commerce. Vote 5-0-0.**

b. Bid Opening – Airport Repair Project: O'Connell said the FAA had made modifications to the Stantec bid documents, consequently the bids were not ready to be opened at this meeting. The bid deadline is now 1 p.m. on May 7, and the bids will be opened at the airport at 2 p.m. **Ben Rines, Jr., moved to authorize the Town Manager to open bids on May 7 at 2 p.m. at the airport. Vote 5-0-0.**

11. Town Manager's Report

- a. Cenergy Project Update: The documents and FAA requirements had been discussed in a phone meeting. The documents will be referred to Bernstein Shur and then to the FAA. O'Connell said marketing was looking good with several customers lined up.
- b. O'Connell said Ernie Martin will be in town for discussions on finishing up the Route 1 project and to meet with Water Street abutters. The subject will be on the next agenda.
- c. Ted Snowden and O'Connell have been looking at an over-limit permit request from the DOT for 8.9 miles from Montsweag Road which will protect the town from overweight vehicles on town roads.

12. Other Board Business

O'Connell said the board will be discussing the Governor's action on reopening meetings according to state deadlines.

13. Adjournment

At 5:04 p.m. **Ben Rines, Jr., moved to adjourn the meeting in memory of John Reinhardt.** Judy Colby said a card had been sent to Mrs. Reinhardt. Mrs. Wagner, a relative of John Reinhardt had asked and was given permission by O'Connell to plant a tree in town in his memory. **Vote 5-0-0.**