



Town of Wiscasset

Statement from the Town Administration

August 8, 2024

Recent in-person encounters suggest that employees are improperly performing their duties, and derogatory comments posted on social media suggest that municipal employees are lazy, which is not only unfounded but also disrespectful and cruel to the hardworking individuals who dedicate their careers to serving our community. Publicly attacking any individual or group is both distasteful and odious and shows a basic level of disrespect for others. This should never be tolerated in a civil society.

The town's municipal employees, ranging from public safety employees and sanitation workers to administrative staff and public works crews, play a critical role in maintaining and improving the quality of life for all residents. Their tireless efforts ensure the smooth operation of essential services we often take for granted.

Our municipal employees are the backbone of our town. Their dedication, professionalism, and commitment to public service are evident in the countless hours they work, often going above and beyond their job descriptions to ensure our community thrives. The comments made are not only baseless but also an insult to the very people who keep our town running efficiently.

In recent months, our municipal employees have faced numerous challenges, including managing increased workloads while trying to contain ever-increasing costs. Despite these obstacles, they have continued to perform their duties with unwavering dedication and resilience.

We are committed to supporting and valuing our municipal workforce. We encourage all residents to recognize and appreciate the hard work and sacrifices made by these individuals daily. The success and well-being of our community depend on their efforts, and we stand by them in the face of any unwarranted criticism.

Sincerely,

Dennis Simmons, MPA
Town Manager