

WISCASSET BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
JANUARY 15, 2008

(Tape recorded meeting)

Present: Bill Curtis, Chairman Duane Goud, Vice Chairman David Nichols,  
Nicole Viele and Town Manager Arthur Faucher

1. Call to Order

Chairman Goud called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

**New Business**

3. Wiscasset i.park Ferry Road Deed: Acceptance and placement on June warrant

**Duane Goud moved, Bill Curtis seconded, to place acceptance of the deed on the June warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. Vote 4-0.**

4. Police Department Cruiser: Review of specifications for bid request

Lt. John Allen submitted bid specifications for a Ford Crown Victoria cruiser with rear wheel drive, as officers have been trained on rear wheel drive vehicles. The only other items requested, which are not standard equipment, are heated mirrors. Navy blue is the color specified and Lt. Allen suggested a student competition be held to design a new seal for the town, as the current seal depicts the ships which are no longer in the harbor. Bill Curtis recommended that the words, "no later than" be added before the time and date deadline to Section II of the bid request and that in the first line of Section V insert "or all" after "any."

**Nicole Viele moved, David Nichols seconded, to accept the request for bids for the new police cruiser with Bill Curtis' corrections. Vote 4-0.**

5. Wiscasset, Waterville & Farmington Railroad Company land release request for Lawrence Berry (Eliot Field Law Office)

The Town received a letter requesting a release deed be signed, releasing the town's interest in the former railroad right-of-way. Two similar requests had been made and granted in the past. **Duane Goud moved, David Nichols seconded, to grant the release. Vote 4-0.**

6. Executive Sessions

Session One: E. Davis Allen of Westport Island and David Sutter of Wiscasset

Session Two: Mark E. Johnson of Wiscasset

Mark Johnson had contacted the Town Manager to request that Session Two be postponed.

The chairman read a letter from the Edgecomb Selectmen denying any responsibility for the sunken boat in Wiscasset harbor. Edgecomb Harbor Master Bob Norton and Maine Patrolman Rene Cloutier were asked to attend, individually, Executive Session One. At 7:25 p.m. **Duane Goud moved, Nicole Viele seconded, to go into executive session pursuant to Title 1, Section 405 6.A.(1) whereby public discussion could be reasonably expected to cause damage to the reputation or the individual's right to privacy would be violated. Vote 4-0.**

**Chairman Duane Goud moved, Bill Curtis seconded, to come out of executive session at 8:05p.m. Vote 4-0.**

Chairman Goud gave the following update: The Board of Selectmen have been told by Harbor Master David Sutter that his sunken vessel will be removed on January 23. If this does not happen, the Town will then have the vessel raised at the owner's expense.

This action is expected in the course of reasonable weather condition but may be delayed if bad weather makes it too difficult for removal. In any case, the vessel has to be removed by the end of the month.

At 8:07 p.m. **Bill Curtis moved, David Nichols seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Vote 4-0**