

Approved @ 7/6/20 Zoom Mtg.

TOWN OF CASTINE
SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS & OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday, June 15, 2020

TIME: 4PM (via ZOOM)

PLACE: Emerson Hall

PRESENT: Colin Powell, Chair; Gordon MacArthur & Peter Vogell, Selectboard members; Shawn Blodgett, Town Manager; Karen Motycka, Finance Officer and Susan Macomber, Town Clerk.

PUBLIC: Bobby & Ruth Ann Vagt, Liz Parish, Brooke Tenney, Scott Vogell and Eli Forman of the Castine Patriot.

Colin Powell opened the meeting at 4:00PM. Quorum was confirmed with Peter Vogell stating his presence; Gordon MacArthur stating his presence; and Colin Powell stating his presence. Colin asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda: NONE.

Motion was made to approve the warrants, abatements, budget vs. actual and trial balance reports, bank reconciliations, excise tax collections and included a Disbursement Warrant to the State of Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

Peter Vogell made motion to approve the General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$56,277.79. Second by Gordon MacArthur. Colin asked for votes.

Peter stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve.

General Fund Warrant approved 3-0.

Peter Vogell made motion to approve the Water Dept Warrant in the amount of \$14,727.30.

Second by Gordon MacArthur. Colin asked for votes.

Peter stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. Water Dept Warrant approved 3-0.

Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve the Disbursement Warrant for report to the State of Maine Motor Vehicles in the amount of \$2,346.00. Second by Peter Vogell.

Colin asked for votes. Peter stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. Disbursement Warrant approved 3-0.

Peter Vogell made motion to approve the June 1, 2020 Selectboard Mtg minutes. Second by Gordon MacArthur. No discussion. Colin asked for votes.

Gordon stated yes to approve. Peter stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve.

June 1, 2020 Mtg minutes approved 3-0.

Item 1. Colin Powell introduced approving renewal Liquor License – The Pentagoet Inn. Peter Vogell made motion to approve. Second by Gordon MacArthur. Manager, Joyce Hammond, was not able to attend via Zoom but is available by phone if there are any questions. No complaints were issued to the Town Office over the past year. Colin asked for votes. Peter stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. Approved 3-0.

Item 2. Colin introduced approving the annual Castine Classic Yacht Celebration as recommended by the Harbor Committee with COVID19 restrictions. Peter Vogell made motion to approve the request. Second by Gordon MacArthur. The request consists of the same format as in the past, except for the COVID19 situation. They will not be doing the MMA Symposium nor the reception at the Yacht Club, unless the State rules change. Permission is asked that they use the Town dock from noon on Wednesday, 7/29 until about 10AM on Thursday, 7/30 for dockage and exhibition. They expect the fleet to be much smaller than in the past with approximately 20-25 boats attending. The Harbor Committee addressed the request at their June 10th mtg and recommend the Selectboard approve the annual request with all State rules and guidelines for COVID19 be in place and that the Castine Yacht Club is responsible for patrolling, policing and enforcing the rules and guidelines. Discussion. The Selectboard had other questions and concerns. Scott Vogell, Harbor Maste,r said he would have to get in touch with the organizers and report back. Gordon MacArthur made motion to table the issue until the next mtg. Second by Peter Vogell. Colin asked for votes. Gordon stated yes to table. Peter stated yes to table. Colin stated yes to table. Approved 3-0 to table.

Item 3. Colin Powell introduced approving the annual Municipal Official appointments (see attached list). Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve. Second by Colin Powell. Gordon read the list. No discussion. Colin asked for votes. Gordon stated yes to approve. Peter stated yes to approve but abstained from the LPI vote. Colin stated yes to approve. Approved 3-0; 2-0 for LPI (Peter Vogell abstained).

Item 4. Colin Powell introduced reapproving of Contingency spending. Gordon MacArthur made motion to approve. Second by Peter Vogell. Karen Motycka, Finance Officer, addressed. At the 4/6/20 Selectboard Mtg, funds were approved to expend from Contingency to Debt Service to cover the drop in Federal sequestrate

funding and to Emerson Hall (EH) for cupola repairs; at the 4/21/20 Selectboard Mtg it was decided to withhold \$10,000 of that previously approved to repair EH cupola and keep it in Contingency in case it was needed for COVID19 emergencies. As we now come to the end of our fiscal year, we realize that all COVID19 expenditures can be met within individual budget lines, therefore, we ask that the \$10,000 be reapproved for spending from Contingency to EH cupola repairs. No discussion.

Colin asked for votes. Peter stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. \$10,000 from Contingency to be spent on EH cupola repairs approved 3-0.

Item 5. Colin Powell introduced the Town Manager's Report: Shawn Blodgett read his report (see attached).

#3 Paving Projects on Madockawando Rd, Latour and East Court Streets: Shawn requests the Selectboard to authorize him to contract Bowden & Son, LLC to pave portions of Latour & Madockawando roads. Bowden & Son, LLC will already be paving portions of Hatch Cove road, therefore, the eastern section of Court St that needs attention, could be done with benefit to both monetary and scheduling efficiencies by contracting Bowden & Son, LLC to conduct Town paving at the same time. Because of this, Shawn also requests a waiver from the Town Procurement Policy so that the work can be move forward and take advantage of the savings gained by overlapping our scheduling with work done at Hatch Cove.

Gordon MacArthur made motion to authorize the Town Manager to contract Town paving projects with Bowden & Son, LLC and to approve waiver from the Town Procurement Policy in order to rapidly move forward and take advantage of cost savings. Second by Peter Vogell. Colin asked for votes. Peter stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Colin stated yes to approve. Contract Town paving to Bowden & Son, LLC and waiver from the Town's Procurement Policy approved 3-0.

Item 6. Other Business as Required: NONE.

Communications: Memo from Karen Motycka, Finance Officer, regarding webinar the Town staff will be attending on Wedn, 6/17 reviewing Town Mtg options under the current pandemic conditions and the State of Maine Governor's Executive Order. We will report back to the Selectboard after that 6/17 webinar session.

Colin acknowledged the public present: -Liz Parish asked about getting a Town Report. Liz was told that she can stop by the Town Office anytime during business hours (to the window or at the door) to pick up a Town Report. Gordon MacArthur complimented with a job well done to Town Office staff on the latest Town Report.

PAST ACTIONS: NONE.

Selectboard Comments:

Upcoming Mtgs:

Tuesday, 6/30 at 1PM – Selectboard/Assessors & Overseers of the Poor end of FY Mtg.

Monday, 7/6 at 4PM – Selectboard/Assessors & Overseers of the Poor Mtg.

Monday, 7/20 at 4PM – Selectboard/Assessors & Overseers of the Poor Mtg.

No T/G Mtgs scheduled at this time due to COVID19.

Gordon MacArthur made motion to adjourn. Second by Peter Vogell.

Colin asked for votes. Gordon stated yes to adjourn. Peter stated yes to adjourn. Colin stated yes to adjourn. Approved 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 4:28PM.

Minutes by Susan M Macomber, Town Clerk.

Meeting adjourned at 4:47 PM. Minutes by Susan Macomber, Town Clerk.