

Approved @ 1/19/21 Zoom Mtg.

Gordon D. MacArthur

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

Peter Vogell

DATE: Monday, January 4, 2021  
TIME: 4PM (via ZOOM)  
PLACE: Emerson Hall

PRESENT: Gordon MacArthur, Chair; Peter Vogell & Colin Powell, Selectboard members; Shawn Blodgett, Town Manager; Karen Motycka, Finance Officer and Susan Macomber, Town Clerk.  
PUBLIC: Helen Miller, Roberta Boczkiewicz, Liz Parish, Bobby & Ruth Ann Vagt, Brooke Tenney and Eli Forman of the Castine Patriot.

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

Gordon asked for a motion to approve the warrants, abatements, budget vs. actual and trial balance reports, bank reconciliations, excise tax collections.

General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$14,324.93; Peter Vogell made motion to approve the General Fund Warrant in the amount stated. Second by Colin Powell.

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

Water Dept Warrant in the amount of \$572.36; Peter Vogell made motion to approve the Water Dept Warrant in the amount stated. Second by Colin Powell.

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

Peter Vogell made motion to approve the December 21, 2020 Selectboard Mtg minutes.

Second by Colin Powell. No discussion. Gordon asked for votes: Peter stated yes to approve.

Colin stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve. Dec 21, 2020 Mtg minutes approved 3-0.

Colin Powell made motion to approve the December 31, 2020 Selectboard Mtg minutes.

Second by Gordon MacArthur. No discussion. Gordon asked for votes: Peter abstained as he was not present for the mtg. Colin stated yes to approve. Gordon stated yes to approve.

Dec 31, 2020 Mtg minutes approved 2-0.

Item 1. Gordon MacArthur introduced the Town Manager's Report: Shawn Blodgett read his report (see attached).

Item 2. Other Business as Required: NONE.

**Communications:** NONE.

**Gordon acknowledged the public present for any requests, questions or concerns:** NONE.

**Past Actions:** NONE.

**Selectboard Comments:**

Upcoming Mtgs:

Tuesday, 1/19/2021 (due to the Martin Luther King Jr Day Holiday) at 4PM (ZOOM) -  
Selectboard/Assessors & Overseers of the Poor Mtg.

Wednesday, 1/20/2021 at 8AM - T/G Mtg (ZOOM), if needed.

Peter Vogell made motion to adjourn. Second by Colin Powell.

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

Meeting adjourned at 4:07PM.

Minutes by Susan M Macomber, Town Clerk.





## MEMORANDUM

To: Castine Selectboard  
From: Shawn Blodgett  
Date: January 04, 2021  
Re: Town Manager Report

1. COVID-19 Update. Hancock County's active COVID case number continues to rise, so we again implore all to stay vigilant. 3 Castine Fire Rescue Department Emergency Medical Technicians have received their first shot of a vaccination with more to follow soon. Governor Mills recently extended the State of Emergency order until the 20<sup>th</sup> of January, 2021.

2. Water Main Breaks. Castine has had two water main breaks in the past couple of weeks. Both of the breaks were of old cast iron pipe and it is the assessment of the Water Department that the breaks were not the result of weather such as frost heave, but rather rock intrusion under the pipe. Both leaks were patched the same day and the pavement has been repaired with cold patch until the spring when more permanent pavement repair can be emplaced.

3. SCADA System Installation Delayed. COVID related supply chain disruptions have resulted in the delay in the installation of the new SCADA System for the Water Department that the Selectboard approved in September of 2020.

4. Mold at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. We are expecting to receive our third estimate this week for the mold remediation at the WWTP. Once this estimate is received, we will get this problem taken care of as quickly as the project can be scheduled.