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Memorandum

Date:	January 8, 2013
To:	Town Council
From:	Amanda L. Stearns, Community Development Director
Cc:	Nathan A. Poore, Town Manager
	Ellen Planer, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Re:	Parcel U18-023, Municipal Release Deed

This matter has been pending prior to Nathan Poore and I being on staff.

The history of this issue is as follows:

- 1. The Town has joint title with Deborah Zimmerman for a parcel known as U18-023 on Underwood Road. It appears that the town exercised its authority to acquire the property because of unpaid taxes in March 1999.
- 2. Subsequently Walter Libby, abutter, claimed rights in the lot. The court awarded a portion of lot 23 (U18-023) to Walter, but chose not to address the town's interest in the lot.
- 3. Jay Edwards (Casco Bay Ltd Partnership), owner of lots U18-20 and U18-25, is interested in acquiring the remainder of the lot. The resolution proposed includes Mr. Edwards compensating the town in the amount of \$1,000 for back taxes and a grant of an easement to the town for any rights he possesses in the Underwood right-of-way to the water.

I recommend that you consider the following:

- 1. Acceptance of \$1,000 as a good will payment for any back taxes accrued.
- 2. Release of the property to Deborah Zimmerman. Property is owned by Ms. Zimmerman and Mr. Edwards has Power of Attorney
- 3. Acceptance of a quitclaim easement deed from Edwards for any access rights he retains in Underwood Road between Glen Road and the ocean.