

Veazie Town Council
Veazie Council Chambers

Monday November 26, 2012

Public Hearing
6:30 PM



- ITEM A. Call to Order
- ITEM B. Secretary to do the Roll Call
- ITEM C. Open Public Hearing for amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance
- ITEM D Close Public Hearing

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Monday November 26, 2012

Regular Meeting



- ITEM 1. Call to Order
- ITEM 2. Secretary to do the Roll Call
- ITEM 3. Pledge of allegiance
- ITEM 4. Consideration of the Agenda

ITEM 5. Approval of the November 5th Council Meeting Minutes

ITEM 6 Public Comments.

New Business

ITEM 7. Award solid waste bid

ITEM 8. Discussion of the changes in operations with Veazie Community School once it becomes a Department of the Town.

ITEM 9. Appointment of five school committee members until June of 2013.

ITEM 10. Appointment of a Julie Strout and Cynthia Leopold as Deputy Town Clerks

ITEM 11. The Town of Veazie hereby ordains the proposed changes to the Town's General Assistance Ordinance.

ITEM 12 Resolve to adopt an Asset Capitalization Policy

Old Business

Item 13. Executive Session Title 1 Section 405 6 E Consultation with legal counsel

ITEM 14. Manager's Report

ITEM 15. Comments from the Public

ITEM 16. Requests for Information and Town Council Comments

ITEM 17. Review & sign of Town Warrant Payroll 11 and Warrant 10, 10A & 10B

Item 18. Adjournment

Joseph Friedman
1 Veazie Villas
852-0933

Jonathan Parker
1149 Buck Hill Dr.
947-4740

Brian Perkins
1116 Chase Rd.
942-2609

Tammy Olson
5 Prouty Drive
947-9624

Chris Bagley
16 Silver Ridge
907-4820

Agenda Items For November 26, 2012

Public Hearing: Every fall changes are made to the General assistance ordinance statewide. In your packet I have enclosed the proposed changes to the GA Ordinance for you to review.

Item: 7 Solid Waste bids were due back in the Town office Monday November 19 at 4 PM. Notices were sent out to twenty solid waste contractors. The following two bids were submitted on time with one that arrived after the bids were opened:

Sullivan's Waste bid was for \$58,500

Evergreen Waste was for \$134,656.

Casella (Pine Tree) submitted a bid at 8:01 AM Tuesday morning for \$42,020.

Awarding this contract will be up to the Town Council. Our bid announcement included the following: The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to act in the best interest of the Town of Veazie. Deadline is November 19, 2012 at 4:00 PM. For questions call 947-2781.

In your packet, I have enclosed the latest information regarding the Guaranteed Annual Tonnage also known as GAT. Veazie's GAT is 800 tons.

Item: 8 & 9. The Town Council will need to appoint five people to serve on the Veazie School Committee until the June election as soon as possible (I have enclosed a copy of the Town Charter for you to review). It is my understanding that Orono will be hiring their own superintendent.

Julia Hathaway and Travis Noyes have expressed interest in serving. I had a call from a resident who has not submitted anything in writing at this time. I have summarized in the managers' report will take place on July 1, 2013.

Item 10: Julie Strout who has been working for us since August on a part time basis will be taking Christine Landes place effective December 3. Christine has been appointed Deputy City Clerk in Brewer. Her last day will be November 30th.

Item 11 This is done annually to make changes to the General Assistance Ordinance. I have enclosed those changes in your packet. There were no changes in the wage section.

Item 12: Is a result of the auditors asking for the town to adopt a Asset Capitalization Policy. The Policy outlines those items that would fall under this proposal. It would also make us in compliance with GASB 34

Item 13 This is an executive session which will take place at 7:30. The executive session falls under MRSA Title 1 Section 405 6 E Consultation with legal counsel.

Managers Report For November 26, 2012

Friday November 16 I had a meeting with RSU Business office regarding changes to business office. What follows are proposals as they relate to the Veazie Community School when it becomes a Town Department on July 1, 2013.

1. Payroll checks and A/P warrant will be processed by the School Department. Both warrants will be brought over to the Town office for signatures and approval.
2. W-2's and 1099's will be processed by the School Department and will be brought to the Town Office as the employees will be brought back under the umbrella of the Town.
3. Unemployment is currently under Maine School Management and we are checking to see how this will be handled. They may be able to stay with MSM or MMA or become self funded. Invoices from employees filing claims would be billed directly to the School.
4. Workers Comp will be processed by the School Department for School employees.
5. They are suggesting that the school set up a separate account for school funds and any checks received by the school be deposited in it. Any interest be retained by the school department.
6. Warrant dates need to be synchronized.
7. As per the contracts, employees must be paid on the last work day prior to a Holiday.
8. The school department will be using our federal ID as the employees will be Veazie employees.

On Saturday, November 17 I received a phone call from Ken Roy regarding the failure of the public works contractor to remove trees and brush on November 17. I have spoken to all the parties involved. The trees were too big for the front end loader that was used to the brush in the trucks. In the past there was no length limit as the public works department chipped the brush as they moved about the town.

So we are planning to get the limbs removed on Wednesday November 21. In the future we will have to let the residents know that trees need to be cut to 3' foot lengths in order to be picked up. Barney Silver has sent a letter regarding the fall clean up. I have enclosed a this letter in your packet.

US EPA is proposing a rule changes regarding the MS4 program I attended two meetings on this issue and more questions have been raised regarding hydrant flushing. Also the catch basins in Veazie have been put off until spring. We originally were going to do it this fall but it was recommended to wait until next year to tackle that project.

I have enclosed an article about cyber bullying in which Sergeant Emery made an arrest this past week.

I am planning on keep the Town office open on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve until 12 o'clock noon.

As you know from the last council packet, I submitted all the paper work to Efficiency Maine on October 31, The paper work from the insulation contractor was not done correctly and I have met with the contractor two weeks ago and explained to him what he needed to do to get the paper work corrected. As of Tuesday it has not been returned.

The Town of Veazie received 2 grants:

The first grant was a 50-50 match in the amount of \$8,583.00

The second grant was a 20% match up to \$30,000.

	<u>Town</u>	<u>Efficiency Maine</u>	<u>Total</u>
Grant one	\$8,583	\$8,583	\$17,166
Grant two	\$3,167.41	\$28,506.74	\$31,674.15
Roof	<u>\$20,560</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$20,560</u>
Total	\$32,310.41	\$37,089.74	\$69,400.15

Town of Veazie
Public Hearing
Monday November 26, 2012 6:30 PM

The Town of Veazie will hold a public hearing regarding changes to the town's General Assistance Ordinance. The public hearing will take place at 6:30 November 26, 2012 @ the Fletcher Building 1084 Main Street.. Any member of the public is welcomed to comment on the proposed changes. It is expected that the Veazie Town Council will act on the proposed changes at their meeting that will take place immediately following the public hearing.

November 17, 2012

ITEM # A + 11

Please run this ad November 17th

GA MAXIMUMS SUMMARY SHEET

Note: The overall maximums found in *Appendix A* are effective from **July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.** The maximums found in *Appendices B, C, D, E, and F* are effective from **October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013.**

APPENDIX A - OVERALL MAXIMUMS

<u>County</u>	<u>Persons in Household</u>					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
NOTE: For each additional person add \$75 per month.						
(The applicable figures from Appendix A, once adopted, should be inserted here.)						

APPENDIX B - FOOD MAXIMUMS

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly Maximum</u>	<u>Monthly Maximum</u>
1	46.51	200
2	85.35	367
3	122.33	526
4	155.35	668
5	184.42	793
6	221.40	952
7	244.65	1,052
8	279.53	1,202
NOTE: For each additional person add \$150 per month.		

APPENDIX C - HOUSING MAXIMUMS

<u>Number of Bedrooms</u>	<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
0				
1				
2				
3				
4				
(The applicable figures from Appendix C, once adopted, should be inserted here.)				

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APPENDIX D - UTILITIES

ELECTRIC

NOTE: For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is *not automatically* entitled to the "maximums" established—applicants must demonstrate need.

1) **Electricity Maximums for Households Without Electric Hot Water:** The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses *excluding* electric hot water and heat:

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1	\$14.00	\$60.00
2	\$15.70	\$67.50
3	\$17.45	\$75.00
4	\$19.20	\$82.50
5	\$21.00	\$90.00
6	\$22.70	\$97.50

NOTE: For each additional person add \$7.50 per month.

2) **Electricity Maximums for Households With Electrically Heated Hot Water:** The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses *excluding* heat:

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>
1	\$16.30	\$70.00
2	\$18.60	\$80.00
3	\$21.00	\$90.00
4	\$23.30	\$100.00
5	\$25.60	\$110.00
6	\$27.90	\$120.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$10.00 per month.

NOTE: For electrically heated households, the maximum amount allowed for electrical utilities per month shall be the sum of the appropriate maximum amount under this subsection and the appropriate maximum for heating fuel as provided below.

APPENDIX E - HEATING FUEL

<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Gallons</u>
September	50	January	225
October	100	February	225
November	200	March	125
December	200	April	125
		May	50

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NOTE: When the dwelling unit is heated electrically, the maximum amount allowed for heating purposes will be calculated by multiplying the number of gallons of fuel allowed for that month by the current price per gallon. When fuels such as wood, coal and/or natural gas are used for heating purposes, they will be budgeted at actual rates, if they are reasonable. No eligible applicant shall be considered to need more than 7 tons of coal per year, 8 cords of wood per year, 126,000 cubic feet of natural gas per year, or 1000 gallons of propane.

APPENDIX F - PERSONAL CARE & HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES

<u>Number in Household</u>	<u>Weekly Amount</u>	<u>Monthly Amount</u>
1-2	\$10.50	\$45.00
3-4	\$11.60	\$50.00
5-6	\$12.80	\$55.00
7-8	\$14.00	\$60.00

NOTE: For each additional person add \$1.25 per week or \$5.00 per month.

SUPPLEMENT FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN UNDER 5

When an applicant can verify expenditures for the following items, a special supplement will be budgeted as necessary for households with children under 5 years of age for items such as cloth or disposable diapers, laundry powder, oil, shampoo, and ointment up to the following amounts:

<u>Number of Children</u>	<u>Weekly Amount</u>	<u>Monthly Amount</u>
1	\$12.80	\$55.00
2	\$17.40	\$75.00
3	\$23.30	\$100.00
4	\$27.90	\$120.00

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GA Housing Maximums (Heated & Unheated Rents)

NOTE: NOT ALL MUNICIPALITIES SHOULD ADOPT THESE SUGGESTED HOUSING MAXIMUMS! Municipalities should **ONLY consider** adopting the following numbers, if these figures are consistent with local rent values. If not, a market survey should be conducted and the figures should be altered accordingly. The results of any such survey must be presented to DHHS prior to adoption. **Or**, no housing maximums should be adopted and eligibility should be analyzed in terms of the Overall Maximum—Appendix A. (*See Instruction Memo for further guidance.*)

Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Aroostook County</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		78	335	99	425
1		80	343	103	445
2		90	385	122	526
3		120	517	161	693
4		120	517	173	745
<u>Franklin County</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		95	408	110	475
1		97	418	115	493
2		114	491	139	596
3		134	578	168	723
4		196	844	246	1057
<u>Hancock County</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		105	451	119	512
1		117	503	135	582
2		145	622	170	729
3		197	845	227	978
4		197	845	227	978
<u>Kennebec County</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		83	359	99	426
1		94	404	114	491
2		123	529	148	636
3		159	685	189	811
4		159	685	197	848

Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Knox County</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	128	552	144	619		
1	128	552	144	619		
2	150	645	175	752		
3	197	846	228	979		
4	209	899	252	1083		
<u>Lincoln County</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	119	513	132	568		
1	124	535	145	622		
2	159	684	184	791		
3	200	862	231	995		
4	207	889	244	1048		
<u>Oxford County</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	87	374	107	462		
1	101	434	118	509		
2	110	472	142	611		
3	157	673	197	847		
4	209	900	258	1109		
<u>Piscataquis County</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	96	413	111	479		
1	103	441	125	539		
2	123	527	154	663		
3	157	675	196	844		
4	157	675	205	881		
<u>Somerset County</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	94	405	115	493		
1	94	405	117	504		
2	107	459	140	600		
3	155	666	195	840		
4	155	666	195	840		

Appendix C

Effective: 10/01/12-10/01/13

Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Waldo County</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		116	497	128	552
1		119	510	136	583
2		139	597	162	698
3		174	749	205	882
4		176	758	213	917

<u>Washington County</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		93	402	108	463
1		95	410	113	488
2		108	465	134	575
3		134	575	170	729
4		157	675	206	884

Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Bangor HMFA</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		100	432	116	499
1		113	487	133	574
2		145	625	170	732
3		183	789	214	922
4		210	904	247	1063

<u>Penobscot County HMFA</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		99	424	114	491
1		99	424	114	491
2		100	429	131	565
3		131	563	172	741
4		148	636	201	865

<u>Lewiston/Auburn MSA</u>		<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms		Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0		89	381	104	448
1		103	445	123	530
2		139	597	164	704
3		178	766	209	899
4		180	774	217	933

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Metropolitan FMR Areas

<u>Portland HMFA</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	142	611			154	666
1	166	715			183	788
2	214	922			238	1023
3	271	1165			300	1292
4	274	1180			318	1367
<u>York/Kittery/S. Berwick HMFA</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	170	729			182	784
1	170	729			182	784
2	191	823			215	924
3	289	1241			318	1368
4	300	1289			343	1473
<u>Cumberland County HMFA</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	111	479			124	534
1	131	563			148	636
2	167	720			119	821
3	228	982			259	1115
4	271	1167			308	1326
<u>Sagadahoc County HMFA</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	140	603			153	658
1	140	603			153	658
2	155	667			179	768
3	186	798			215	926
4	271	1167			314	1351
<u>York County HMFA</u>			<u>Unheated</u>		<u>Heated</u>	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	126	541			139	596
1	126	541			141	608
2	156	672			180	773
3	216	928			247	1061
4	216	928			250	1073

GENERAL ASSISTANCE ORDINANCE

APPENDICES C

2012-2013

The Municipality of _____ adopts the MMA Model Ordinance GA Appendices C for the period of October 1, 2012 — September 30, 2013. These appendices are filed with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in compliance with Title 22 M.R.S.A. §4305(4).

Signed the _____ (day) of _____ (month) _____ (year)
by the municipal officers:

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Signature)

ITEM # 5

**Town of Veazie
Town Council Meeting Minutes
11/5/2012**

Members Present: Chairman Tammy Olson, Councilor Chris Bagley, Councilor Joseph Friedman, Councilor Brian Perkins, and Councilor Jonathan Parker. Town Manager Joseph Hayes, Secretary Christine Landes, Tax Assessor Ben Birch, Fire Chief Gerry Martin, and Police Chief Mark Leonard along with various members of the public.

Members Absent: None

Item 1: Call to Order

Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Item 2: Secretary to do the roll call

All present.

Item 3: Pledge of Allegiance

Item 4: Consideration of the Agenda

No Changes.

Item 5: Approval of the October 22, 2012 Council Meeting Minutes

Councilor Joseph Friedman motioned to accept the minutes as written. Councilor Jonathan Parker seconded. No Discussion. 5-0-0.

Item 6: Public Comments

None

Item 7: Meet with large land owners regarding the proposed land use ordinance

Town Manager Hayes explained who was invited and who was present at the meeting. Large land owners were sent a package and were invited to discuss with the council the proposed changes to the Land Use Ordinance.

Mr. Barney Silver felt that the Planning Board has not had consideration of land owners and that they each had their own agenda. He felt a change as proposed would make the town stale. He also felt it would not generate new tax dollars nor allow any changed in the town.

Mr. Tom Davis felt the proposed changes were ridiculous. He stated he can no longer farm the land he owns. He stated he has never posted the land and has always allowed people to use it as long as they respected it. He now felt he was going to post the land as it would now be a liability and with the proposed changed to the Land Use Ordinance he would never be able to develop it.

A concerned citizen felt the changes were not right. She has four acres currently and is only able to have one house lot. She felt the changes box people in and with time there will be no growth.

Councilor Joseph Friedman thanked the people who spoke and reminded them that this was not the councils plan. He also stated he disagreed with the changes. He felt large landowners should have been part of the process.

Bangor Hydro representative John Gabarra, explained the concerns he had for the changes. The first change should be capitalization of all defined terms. He stated that easements should also be recognized in the pre application process.

Councilor Brian Perkins felt that land owners could possibly meet with the Planning Board. Mr. Silver felt the Planning Board would not listen to large land owners and that there was no middle ground.

Councilor Joseph Friedman would like the council, Planning Board and large land owners to work together on the changes. Councilor Chris Bagley, Councilor Brian Perkins and Councilor Jonathan Parker also agreed. They requested a regular meeting night be held with the Planning Board members.

Item 8: Elect a board member to the Municipal Review Committee

The town manager spoke briefly about the possible candidates. Councilor Joseph Friedman felt that Coslow should be elected. He explained his reasons why. Councilor Brian Perkins felt the explanation was reasonable.

Councilor Joseph Friedman motioned to elect Coslow to the position on the board of directors for the Municipal Review Committee. Councilor Brian Perkins seconded. No Discussion. 5-0-0.

Item 9: Set Meeting Dates for Town Council

Chairman Tammy Olson explained why this had been an issue. Councilor Brian Perkins felt it should be the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Councilor Jonathan Parker felt that it should go back to every other Monday to get in sync with the warrants. Councilor Chris Bagley was open to suggestions but preferred the same schedule. His second choice would be the second and fourth Monday.

Councilor Brian Perkins motioned to change the meetings to the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Councilor Chris Bagley seconded. No Discussion. 5-0-0.

The Planning Board will be encouraged to meet the first Monday of the month. There will only be one meeting in December.

Councilor Brian Perkins motioned to change the January 14th meeting to January

7th due to the holiday in January and only one meeting being conducted in December. Councilor Chris Bagley seconded. No Discussion. 5-0-0.

Item 10: Update on information regarding Mutton Lane

The town manager explained what information he had located on the road. The code officer was consulted also. To make this town a town road it would have to be brought up to standards. Councilor Brian Perkins felt something should be done minimally to encourage recreation in that area. The recreational area had been acquired due to taxes. Councilor Jonathan Parker didn't feel there was much that could be done through the trailer park. The town manager felt that legal council should be consulted if this issue was to be pursued. A resident explained that when the road was built 35 years ago it was built to standards at that time. She also explained that 5-6 years ago the town did some work that reduced the width. She felt she should not be the only one paying for any improvements on the road and that all that use it should contribute. Chairman Tammy Olsen felt that it was a liability issue also. No action taken.

Item 11: Animal Control Report for October

No comments.

Item 12: Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Gerry Martin briefly reviewed the report with the council.

Item 13: LPI Report

No comments.

Item 14: Manager's Report

The town manager reviewed his report. He stated he is continuing to research the 1.82 ton trash fee imposed regularly.

Item 15: Comments from the Public

A resident was concerned about the public works employee working at the sewer district. The town manager explained that he has asked public works to keep a log of what is occurring in the work day. There has been some trading off of equipment but no numbers given as of yet as to how many hours. The town manager will continue to work on this.

It was also asked when there would be a bid for lawn mowing. The town manager explained that the solid waste bid had priority and that the lawn mowing would be the next process.

Councilor Brian Perkins asked if an accounting system could be set up with the school if the RSU is dissolved. The payroll passed in June does not meet the payroll at the quasi-municipal level. Chairman Tammy Olson would like something in writing as would Councilor Joseph Friedman especially for liability.

Chairman Tammy Olson stated that the council was looking at requests for proposals in the engineering process. Councilor Joseph Friedman asked that the items decided to go out for bid be placed as an agenda item.

There was some concern about the trailer being in the town land across from the town office. It was noted that the tenant pays lot rent but no taxes are paid by the owner to the town. The resident felt that the council should deal with this. Tax Assessor Ben Birch spoke briefly about the issue and that the trailer could possibly be located but undetermined if it was on town property. He felt a legal survey should be done to determine encroachment.

Item 16: Requests fir information and Town Council comments

Councilor Chris Bagley asked if the items had been addressed by the Fire Chief. The Town Manager will look into this.

Chairman Tammy Olson asked if any other council members had considered the departments to review next. Councilor Brian Perkins would like to look at the Recreation Department. Councilor Joseph Friedman agreed. The Town Manager has met with the director to improve the revenues. The idea of a concession stand had been brought up. Councilor Jonathan Parker asked if any licenses were needed. The Town Manager felt that if it was prepackaged it would be okay.

Item 17: Review and sign Town Warrant Payroll 10 and Warrant 9 and 9A

The warrants were circulated for signatures.

Item 18: Executive Session to discuss a legal matter 1MRSA 405 6 C

Councilor Joseph Friedman motioned to enter executive session under 1MRSA 405 6 C. Councilor Brian Perkins seconded. No discussion. 5-0-0.

Entered executive session at 8:28 p.m.

Councilor Jonathan Parker motioned to exit the executive session at 8:52 pm
Councilor Joseph Friedman seconded. No Discussion. 5-0-0.

Item 19: Adjournment:

Councilor Chris Bagley motioned to adjourn.

Councilor Joseph Friedman seconded. No Discussion. 5-0-0.

Adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

A True Copy Attest:

Christine M. Landes
Deputy Town Clerk

ITEM # 7

Town of Veazie Solid Waste Proposal

The Town of Veazie is accepting bids for the curbside pickup of its solid waste and its zero sort recycling. Bids are due to the Town Office by Monday November 19, 2012 at 4 PM. The town is seeking a three-year contract, with a two year option beginning January 1, 2013.


Bids must be submitted by DEP qualified haulers for the curbside pick up of solid waste. This pickup will be on a weekly basis. The pickup will start and end in Veazie with no pickups from any other town but Veazie. The truck will deliver its waste to the PERC plant in Orrington Maine. The provider shall provide curb side pickup in the two trailer parks in Veazie as well as providing a 8 yard dumpster and 4 yard cardboard dumpster at the Municipal building. Should the Veazie Community School withdraw from RSU 26, two 8 yard dumpsters and one 8 yard cardboard dumpster will be needed beginning on or about July 2013. A dumpster will also be needed at Veazie Villas located off the Chase Road. All curbside collection will begin at 7 AM. Current trash day is Wednesday; the Town would like to keep it the same.

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Weekly curbside pick up bid (including recycling)	\$ 39,200
Spring Cleanup – 6 - 30 yard roll offs	\$ 900 (includes delivery and removal of six containers disposal to be billed at \$80 per ton)
Cost of Dumpster to Veazie Villas	\$ 780
Cost of Dumpsters to the Veazie Community School	\$ 1,140
Total Bid	\$ 42,020

Submit all BIDS to:
SOLID WASTE BIDS
C/O Town Manager
Town of Veazie
1084 Main Street
Veazie, Maine 04401-7091

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Jim Dunning
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Weekly curbside pick up bid (including recycling)	\$ <u>57,000.00</u>
Spring Cleanup - 6 - 30 yard roll offs	\$ <u>1,500.00</u>
Cost of Dumpster to Veazie Villas	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Cost of Dumpsters to the Veazie Community School	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Total Bid	\$ <u>58,500.00</u>

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Weekly curbside pick up bid (including recycling)	\$ 129,900.00	
Spring Cleanup - 6 - 30 yard roll offs	\$ 630.00	DEL & HAUL + 76.00 PER TON
Cost of Dumpster to Veazie Villas	\$ 1,128.00	
Cost of Dumpsters to the Veazie Community School	\$ 2,998.00	
Total Bid	\$ 134,656.00	+ \$76.00 PER TON FOR ROLL-OFFS

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Bangor, ME 044-1
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Winterport, ME 04496

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Levant, ME 04456

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Portland, Maine 04101

Bolsters Rubbish Removal
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Burnham, Me 04922

Casella Waste Management
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Salem NH 03079

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Southwest Harbor, Maine 04679

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Columbia, Maine 04623

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glounder@emdc.org ■ E-mail

November 9, 2012

Dear MRC Member Community:

The MRC Board of Directors is pleased to provide the enclosed check for the quarterly cash distribution return to Amending Charter Municipalities and new Charter Municipalities for the Fourth Quarter of 2012. The payment is based on tipping fees, plant performance and asset activity in the Third Quarter of 2012.

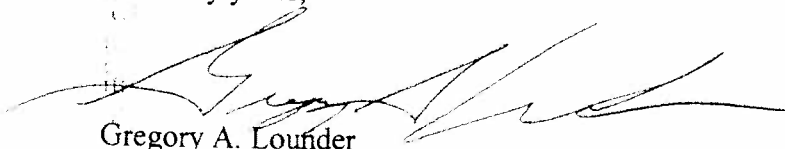
Consistent with MRC Board-approved policies and Transaction Guidelines, a total distribution amount of \$1,116,311.00 to the Amending Charter Municipalities was approved to meet the system-wide target value of \$48.00 per ton, which is tipping fees less cash distributions. The tipping fee for the Third Quarter was \$73.00 per ton. Therefore, on average as a group, the Amending Charter Municipalities need a cash distribution of \$1,116,311.00 in order to achieve the \$48.00 per ton target value. This total amount is the product of \$25.00 per ton and 44,652.44 tons of solid waste delivered by all Amending Charter Municipalities in the Third Quarter of 2012. New Charter Municipalities also received funds from Performance Credits for Second Quarter equal to 5,052.27 tons delivered multiplied by the difference between the tipping fee of \$73.00 per ton and the new Charter Municipality target value of \$54.00 per ton.

This cash distribution to Amending Charter Municipalities was generated from Performance Credits in the amount of \$842,104.76 and \$274,206.24 in Net Cash Flow received as a result of PERC ownership interests. Funds from Performance Credits in the amount of \$95,993.13 were calculated for distribution to new Charter Municipalities.

Please note that the net amounts payable as cash distributions are calculated as the gross amount to be distributed, offset by: (a) GAT shortfall penalty payments from 2011; and (b) GAT short fall payments from 2010 that had not been offset against previous distributions. The agreement for 2011 GAT shortfall payments and a listing of payments amounts, if applicable, by Charter Municipality were provided under a separate cover.

The MRC Board of Directors thanks all MRC members for their efforts and contributions in support of the MRC mission of an environmentally safe, long-term solid waste disposal solution at a reasonable and affordable cost.

Sincerely yours,


Gregory A. Lounder
Executive Director

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1084 MAIN STREET
VEAZIE, ME 04401

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BRANCH ID: 0002
BATCH NO: CS000133
ACCOUNT: 720018019

ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION:

DISB DESC: MISCELLANEOUS
ACCOUNT NAME: MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMMITTEE CUSTODY
EXPLANATION: 21 QUARTERLY MRC DISTRIBUTION

PAID FOR: MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
ATTN: GREGORY A. LOUNDER
40 HARLOW STREET
BANGOR ME 04402-5102

ORIGINATOR: MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
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VEAZIE, ME 04401

MEMO: QUARTERLY MRC DISTRIBUTION



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ITEM # 8

Hi Folks:

We need to discuss transitional issues for the RSU such as the budget, as well as other post 2012-2013 RSU issues. I suggest the following:

1. Veazie has no transition team until it elects its initial school committee. As a practical matter, I will encourage Veazie to do this as soon as practicable, and I propose to start the collection of budget data to hand off to that school committee, and to generally do what is required to assure a smooth transition.
2. Until Glenburn elects its first school committee, it has a school board transition team consisting of its RSU board members. I will call an initial meeting of the Glenburn school board transition team, and supervise the election of a transition team chair. That body will then call its own meetings. Although the assignment of my contract will not be effective until July 1, again I propose to do what is required to assure a smooth transition.
3. Understandably, Veazie and Glenburn board members have no interest in the development of the 2013-14 budget or other matters pertaining to the post-withdrawal period. The withdrawal agreements state that the Veazie and Glenburn voters do not participate in the RSU 26 budget approval, but they do not relieve the board of its quorum requirements or responsibilities for necessary action such as calling the BVR or approving and signing the warrants. I propose that the RSU board as a whole vote to establish a post withdrawal subcommittee consisting of the Orono board members. This subcommittee will be responsible to develop and recommend the RSU 26 2013-'14 budget and the scheduling of all meetings and votes for that budget, as well as the recommendation of all other matters pertaining to post-withdrawal, and all such matters are delegated to that subcommittee except as legally required to be approved by this board (such as final approval of that budget, calling the budget meeting and referendum and signing the warrants).

Doug



Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
23 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0023

Stephen L. Bowen
COMMISSIONER

November, 15, 2012

Town of Veazie Selectmen
1084 Main Street
Veazie, Maine 04401

Board of Directors
Regional School Unit No. 26
983 Hudson Road
Glenburn, ME 04401

Dear Town of Veazie Selectmen and RSU 26 Board of Directors:

By letter dated November 7, 2012, this office received certified Referendum Election results from the Town of Veazie that during the vote held on November 6, 2012, the voters of the Town of Veazie voted in favor of withdrawing from Regional School Unit No. 26 subject to the terms and conditions of the withdrawal agreement dated August 9, 2012.

The warrant article voted upon on November 6, 2012, complies with the requirements of the statute and the official vote tally shows 821 voters in favor and 217 voters opposed to the question. The total votes cast on the article were 1,038, which does equal or exceed the requirement of 50% of the total number of votes cast in the municipality for Governor at the last gubernatorial election.

Under 20-A MRSA §1466(13), the Commissioner of the Department of Education must direct you, as the municipal officers and school board directors, to take steps for the withdrawal in accordance with the terms of the agreement for withdrawal. When the agreement is put into effect by the municipality, the municipal officers shall notify this office by certified mail that the agreement of withdrawal has been executed.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Bowen
Commissioner of Education

cc: Douglas Smith, Superintendent, RSU 26
Joseph Hayes, Veazie Town Clerk

is convicted of a crime of moral turpitude, or

fails to attend three consecutive regular Committee meetings without being excused by the Committee.

00.04.03.03 Filling of Vacancies

If a vacancy on the School Committee shall exist, it shall be filled by a majority vote of the Town Council until the next municipal election.

00.04.03.04 Organization; Qualification; Quorum

The School Committee shall meet for organization no later than two weeks after the annual Town Meeting and at said meeting the member-elect shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by the Town Clerk or by a Justice of the Peace. The majority of the whole number of the School Committee shall be a quorum and the Committee shall elect its own Chairperson.

00.04.03.05 Powers and Duties

The School Committee shall have all the powers conferred and shall perform all the duties imposed by law upon School Committees in regard to the care and management of the public schools of the Town, except as otherwise provided in this Charter. The School Committee shall prepare budget estimates in detail of the several sums required during the ensuing budget year for the support of the public schools; and at least 45 days before the beginning of the budget year, the School Committee shall furnish copies of such estimates to the Manager.

00.04.03.06 Chairman

At the first meeting annually, or as soon thereafter as possible, the School Committee shall elect by majority vote of the entire committee one of its members as chairman of the School Committee for the ensuing year, and the School Committee may fill for the unexpired term any vacancy in the office of chairman that may occur. The chairman shall preside at all meetings of the School Committee and shall have a vote as other members of said committee.


00.04.03.07 Compensation

The compensation of the School Committee members and Committee Chairperson shall be established annually at the annual Town Meeting. The compensation established at the annual Town Meeting shall be paid to the Committee members in equal quarterly payments; however, if a Committee member misses two or more regular or duly called Committee meetings in a quarter, without an excuse approved by the Committee, the pay for that quarter shall be forfeited.




Message

Fri, Nov 09, 2012 1:01 PM

From:  "Travis Noyes" <tnoyes@riversidersu.org>

To:  **Joseph Hayes**

Subject: School Committee

Attachments:  Attach0.html / Uploaded File

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Joe:

I am willing to stay on school committee.

Let me know if this is sufficient for my application given that I am on the Board already.

Travis

Citizen Involvement Application

All citizens of the Town of Veazie interested in having their names considered for appointment by the Veazie Town Council and/or the Town Manager, at such time a vacancy may occur on any Board or Special Committee, should please fill out this application and return it to the Veazie Town Office.

Name Julia Hathaway Phone Number 990-1313

Address _____

Civic Involvement RSU

Years Resided in Veazie _____

Specialty or Field _____

Committee or Boards Interested In school board

Additional Information



Date Received at Town Office: 10/25/12

If interested please feel free to tear this page out and return it to the Town Office

Town of Veazie Asset Capitalization Policy

This Policy is adopted to establish procedures for keeping an inventory of fixed assets owned by the Town of Veazie. It results from and is intended to implement the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement #34.

Definitions: Assets, which meet the following minimum standards, will be considered capital assets:

- Having a value of \$5,000 or more. This requirement can be for an individual item in excess of \$5,000 or for a "collection" such as a telephone system or computer network system.
- Having an estimated useful life of two years or more.
- Major asset categories will be buildings and improvements, land and improvements, machinery and equipment, vehicles, furniture and fixtures, and infrastructure.

Capitalization Method: All capital assets will be recorded at historical cost as of the date acquired or constructed, except for infrastructure, which is discussed on the next page. If historical cost information is not available, assets will be recorded as estimated historical cost by calculating current replacement cost and by deflating the cost using the appropriate price-level index.

New Acquisitions: The Town will capitalize new assets that meet its Capitalization Policy as stated above. Following the receipt of the item(s) that meet the criteria stated above, the value should be noted by the Town Treasurer for inclusion in the asset base. Additions, improvements repairs or replacements to existing capital assets are not considered new acquisitions and are discussed below.

Extraordinary Repairs or Improvements: The Town will capitalize outlays that increase future benefits from an existing capital asset beyond its previously assessed value or condition if they meet the Town's Capitalization Policy as stated above.

Collections: The Town will capitalize the items listed below as collections:

- Computers
- Radios and Pagers
- Art Works and Historical Treasures
- Telephone Systems
- Furniture & Fixtures
- Any other assets bought in a bulk purchase that meets the Capitalization Policy as stated above.

Infrastructure: The Town of Veazie will retrospectively report infrastructure to comply with G.A.S.B. #34. The Town will report its infrastructure assets at historical cost (if purchased or constructed) at estimated fair value (if donated). The Town will use an estimated historical cost when the actual cost cannot be identified. The replacement cost for infrastructure assets will be based on current year construction costs for similar assets or other information that approximates current replacement cost. The Town of Veazie will report newly acquired or constructed infrastructure assets in the period it acquires or constructs infrastructure assets. Also, the City will use any existing sources of information to provide support for the initial cost estimates for its infrastructure assets such as bond documents, engineering documents, and capital budgets

Tammy Olson

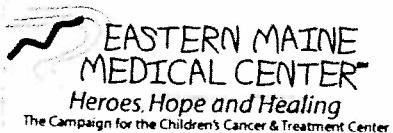
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November 26, 2012



EMMC Foundation
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November 9, 2012

Kenneth A. Roy
1084 Main St
Veazie, ME 04401-7056

Dear Kenneth,

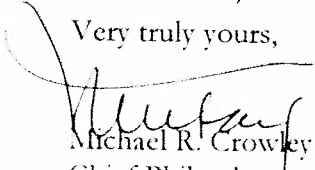
On behalf of campaign co-chairs Michael Pancoe, MD, Ellie Pancoe, LCSW, and Eastern Maine Medical Center and the patients it serves, I wish to both acknowledge and thank you for your incredibly generous support for the *Heroes, Hope & Healing* campaign. Your gift of \$190 moves us one important step closer to achieving our goal of providing the best possible environment for children with cancer and blood disorders to receive their care.

In December of this year EMMC aims to have the new Center open and operational at the Lafayette Family Cancer Center. You will be invited to join us for that happy occasion so that you might celebrate with all of our patients and their families, as well as all of the other members of our community who have supported this campaign.

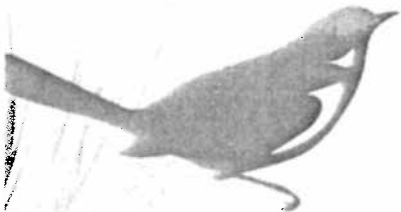
Scores of children and their families will forever have you to thank for being so generous, thoughtful and loving. I cannot thank you enough.

Thank you again.

Very truly yours,


Michael R. Crowley
Chief Philanthropy Officer

Once again, thank you. No goods or services were made in consideration for your gift. As always, your gift is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law so please keep this letter with your tax records.






Certificate of Appreciation

presented to

Veazie Fire Department

for participating in the first annual Trucks and Treats event celebrating the
EMMC Raish Peavey Haskell Children's Cancer & Treatment Center.

Your tireless dedication and heroism shines as a beacon to our community.


Michael R. Crowley
Chief Philanthropy Officer, EMMC Foundation



Minutes of the Meeting of the Statewide Coalition of MS4 Municipalities

For the Purpose of Reviewing the Draft 5-Year General Permit

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, November 7, 2012

Present: Rich Niles, AMEC; Paul Nicklas, Bangor; Jeffrey Allen, Bangor; Brenda Zollitsch, BASWG; Jennie Franceschi, Biddeford; Tom Milligan, Biddeford; Jami Fitch, CCSWCD; Tamara Lee Pinard, CCSWCD; Phil Ruck, CES; Robyn Saunders, GZA; Gretchen Heidmann (GrH), Hampden; Bob Osborne, Hampden; Amber Harrison, Kittery; Chris DiMatteo, Kittery; Mary Ann Conroy, Kittery; Justin Early, Lewiston; Ryan Leighton, Lisbon; Amanda Meader, MMA; Geoff Herman, MMA; Greg Connors, MMA; John Branscom, MTA; John Rouleau, Old Town; Rob Yerxa, Orono; Jim Katsiaficas, Perkins Thompson; Doug Roncarati, Portland; Kathi Earley, Portland; Steve Johnson, Ransom Consulting (Cumberland); Howard Carter, Saco; Angela Blanchette, Saco; Mike Shaw, Scarborough; Fred Dillon, South Portland; Joe Hayes, Veazie; Zach Henderson, Woodard & Curran (Auburn); and Dan Jellis, Yarmouth.

Minutes:

GH welcomed those attending the meeting and went through a few housekeeping matters. All attendees then introduced themselves.

Overview of Draft General Permit. GC kicked off the discussion asking the group what they thought about the draft General Permit “from 10,000 feet”; that is, as an overview, before getting into the draft’s specific details.

GrH recognized that the draft Permit did not substantially stretch the scope of the existing (2008) Permit, but wondered whether the DEP draft would pass EPA muster.

FD wondered whether the draft’s relative leniency could pose a potential risk (by not adequately shielding municipalities from enforcement actions).

DJ suggested the group work with the draft as presented. There was a discussion about how the EPA might react to the element of the draft that appears to soften the TMDL-related language by qualifying the general prohibition against a direct discharge that is inconsistent with a TMDL allocation “*where the TMDL provides adequate information to develop specific measures to protect water quality*”. The group appeared willing to accept the proposed softening language.

TLP suggested that the group at least consider additional Permit language they might be able to live with if it becomes necessary to make the Permit stricter to satisfy the EPA.

HC emphasized the need for the entire group to speak with a unified voice.

GrH suggested the draft Permit should allow a longer period of time for permittees to develop their awareness plans, especially the newly identified MS4 municipalities.

DR stressed the importance of pressing for statewide standards, particularly with respect to BMPs and other standards that should be uniformly expected of developers.

Several attendees expressed the need for clarification about how the targeted “priority” watersheds should be identified as a “required strategy” (see Part 4 (H)(1)(a)(iv)).

AH indicated it was her understanding, based on a recent meeting with DEP’s David Ladd in York County, that the method of identifying the priority watershed was the same as under the current Permit. She also said that the various dates of submitting (something or other) to the DEP should be uniform. Also, at the meeting with David Ladd, there seemed to be an agreement that the Low Impact Development (LID) language found at Part 4 (H)(4) has no teeth.

ZH suggested that the awareness plan could efficiently be adopted at a statewide level.

RS reinforced the need for a greater statewide role, including assisting in the development of common education/outreach/assessment protocols and technical BMPs (e.g., concrete truck wash out). She said the challenges will be to simultaneously allow for regional priorities.

ZH said that Rhode Island might offer an example of how it could work, where that state’s Department of Transportation, with University assistance, developed common approaches to satisfy the education/outreach strategies.

BZ, in agreement with the discussion, suggested a template model could be created to focus in on the newly required “target audience”.

TLP indicated that the NEMO program has been discontinued.

There followed a general discussion about how the statewide awareness model could be constructed to allow for regional variation and assist new municipalities in the program with respect to lessons learned. It was agreed that the model would need to be constructed to allow for local flexibility. At the request of GH, an explanation of the “assessment” requirement was given, whereby each permittee, through surveying protocols and otherwise, assesses the actual effectiveness of their public outreach and education programs. Assessment is apparently done differently in the four different MS4 regions, and there is a feeling that greater uniformity (with allowances for local flexibility) could, through the achievement of an economy of scale, reduce the costs of assessment statewide and generate greater consistency. In one MS4 the cost of assessment was identified as 33% of the entire public awareness/education requirement.

It was agreed by the group that the DEP should not simply be asked to write language in the Permit regarding a statewide assessment model; rather, the group should write the draft language itself and submit it to the DEP for inclusion.

As a side note, JK pointed out that the draft Permit appears to require the submission of two separate assessment plans (for different target audiences) at the same time. Why not a single assessment plan, perhaps with separate elements?

This led to a discussion about the process of finalizing the Permit with the DEP. GH made the observation that the more recent collaborative model, where the draft Permit language was developed in a series of stakeholders' meetings, has been apparently rejected by the current administration in favor of an even older, "rule making" model, where the back-and-forth in the development process is done formally; that is, in written drafts released by the DEP, followed by written responses by the regulated community (and other interested parties).

KE said that at a meeting in Portland with the DEP it was indicated that because the draft Permit was going to be so little changed from the current Permit, there was a feeling that there would be no need to significantly change the landscape. With that said, TLP said that the language on statewide assessment that the group wanted to be included in the Permit needed to be very specific. GH asked if there was capacity within the room to develop the statewide assessment language and it was easily agreed that such was the case.

In response to additional discussion about the need for flexibility within the umbrella of a common assessment approach, JF pointed out that under the language of the existing permit, a "menu approach" can be used to allow for regional choices.

PN suggested explicit Permit language that would credit the MS4s for the statewide effort.

GrH suggested that the GP should stop including requirements that are already requirements in other applicable regulations (e.g., Chap. 500).

DJ reiterated that the various assessment plans should be coordinated or consolidated into one.

JK pointed out that the TMDL-related language discussed earlier in the meeting, that qualifies the prohibition on discharges "*where the TMDL provides adequate information to develop specific measures to protect water quality*", comes directly out of EPA regulation and has not been created specifically for the draft Permit out of whole cloth.

A general discussion about the LID provision at Part 4(H)(4) concluded that it was, indeed, a "soft" provision that did not actually require a developer to utilize LID techniques but, instead, required the municipal permitting authority to document any LID techniques that were to

be used. It was also pointed out that the definition of Low Impact Development in Part 2 was less specific than a definition found in a previous DEP draft.

PR said that it appeared the language was inserted to meet an EPA expectation that references to LID techniques would be found in the 2013 Permit.

DJ said that the LID requirements would be more appropriately located in the Chapter 500 standards, and there was a general discussion about the overlap between the state stormwater standards (Chapter 500) and the MS4 regulatory requirements.

TLP said that it costs a lot less to use LID when developing an undeveloped site than it does to retrofit an existing site, and these regulatory requirements can influence development to occur outside of urbanized areas, with sprawl effects.

JA said that a lot of projects come in just under the Chapter 500 threshold specifically to avoid LID, and the LID language in the Permit does nothing more than create the need for the municipal permitting authority to put a check mark on another box. The Permit is not the place to push LID.

MC said that the current GP language appropriately puts LID ordinances in the “suggested strategy” category. ZH pointed out that the current suggested-strategy LID language is in the post construction management section and should also be included as a suggested strategy in the “construction/run off control” section.

There followed a general discussion about the relationship and overlap between stormwater standards, Chapter 500, TMDL “regulation” and the MS4 Permit.

TLP gave an example of how the York ordinance requires some consideration of LID development without necessarily requiring it.

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Legal Issues. JK provided a background review of the development of the Clean Water Act and the eventual thread of that development that has led to MS4 regulatory scheme for small communities, as well as the 303-D identification of impaired urban streams and the TMDL “non regulatory” scheme to address those polluted waterbodies (which becomes a regulatory scheme only in the MS4 communities). JK pointed out that Maine’s approach to TMDLs, unlike many other states, is to use impervious cover as a proxy for actual pollutant contaminant levels, and he reiterated the point that the foundation EPA regulations establish the standard that the prohibition against allowing a discharge that is inconsistent with a TMDL only kicks in “*where the TMDL provides adequate information to develop specific measures to protect water quality*”, which will generally not be the case in Maine because of the impervious cover proxy. Having said that, JK indicated that another section of the Permit does not similarly link to that protective language. That possible disconnect needs further review. JK also explained the special authority

EPA has to directly intervene in a MS4 that is otherwise under the umbrella of a General Permit, which could be triggered by a petition from (e.g.) an environmental organization seeking the EPA to use its “residual designation authority” (RDA) to intervene in a particular case. When such a RDA petition is granted, the MS4 community loses the shield that the General Permit would otherwise provide. JK said that if the draft Permit that DEP submits to EPA, presumably in late January 2013, is found to be lacking by EPA, the federal agency would probably simply require DEP to resubmit a revised (and presumably stricter) draft, but in a very compressed time frame.

JK noted that he did not see any reference in the draft GP regarding the new “integrated approach” that is being touted by EPA, and noted that some communities, Portland in particular, are dealing with water management mandates coming at them from a variety of programs (Combined Sewer Overflow, Storm Sewer Overflow, Urban Impaired Streams, MS4 requirements, etc.).

JK also said the draft should not increase the amount of geographic area covered under the permit, and the language in that regard (urbanized area versus municipality) should be monitored.

GrH suggested that recognition should be made for situations where the source of stream impairment in the watershed of MS4 communities is from another community that might not be regulated by the MS4 permit. Also, it was questioned as to whether DEP gives credit to MS4 communities when impervious cover is disconnected from the waterbody through buffers, etc.

With respect to the LID language, JK said ZH’s recommendation to expand the reference to LID ordinances to the suggested strategy category under construction/run off control may be a good way to step-up the LID reference in the Permit.

JK also suggested that the septic system requirement found at Part 4(H)(3)(a)(iv), which would require municipalities to somehow require septic system inspection at the time of sale, is an unworkable requirement at the municipal level and should be accomplished directly by the state if it is felt that current septic system management is lacking. JK also suggested the concrete truck and sanitary waste truck wash out requirement, found at Part 4(H)(4), should be accomplished as part of a common statewide standard. JK also said that the various Notice of Intent submission timelines need to be sorted out. The biggest “legal issue” in the draft Permit, according to JK, was to make sure the requirements facing MS4 communities regarding their urban impaired streams were requirements that could actually be met.

DR asked about the change to the list of “non-stormwater discharges” found at Part 4(H)(3)(c), where fire hydrant flushing and similar water line flushing would no longer be expressly exempt from MS4 regulatory review as a non-stormwater discharge. The resulting discussion centered around finding out from DEP why this was an issue, and what sort of

standards would have to be created should the MS4s become required to monitor or regulate these types of discharges.

GrH asked the group if anyone had heard of a lawsuit where communities challenged that particular state's TMDL. No one seemed to be aware of the case.

Summarizing this discussion, it was felt that several items should fall into the "needs to go" or "needs further explication" categories, including the septic system issue, the hydrant flushing issue and the sanitary waste/concrete truck wash out issue. TLP and others indicated that if Chapter 500 is not meeting the need with respect to construction site management, then Chapter 500 should be amended. That said, it was reiterated that David Ladd claims that they (DEP/EPA) need the concrete truck discharge language for some "recent incident" reason.

Next Steps. It is understood that David Ladd would like informal comments by December 11 so that he can then meet with the four regional groups during the remainder of December, which would be followed with a statewide meeting in January before finalizing the GP for EPA review.

TLP summarized the potential contents of the comments of the statewide coalition of MS4 communities as including:

- The actual language creating a statewide approach to the education/outreach/awareness/assessment system, allowing for regional flexibility.
- Adding LID ordinance development as a "suggested strategy" under the construction control section.
- Removing the septic system language for its unworkability.
- Removing the concrete truck flushing language to Chapter 500.
- Further exploring the hydrant flushing issue.

RS suggested as a strategy going into this process that the coalition identify the successes that have been achieved over the last 10 years and/or further identify Maine's positive and effective approach under the terms of the draft Permit (if approved by EPS) relative to the existing Permit and/or the efforts in other states.

ZH alternatively suggested focusing on how the draft Permit refines and improves upon the existing Permit.

HC asked whether this strategy should be used up front or merely as a fall back, if EPA disapproves the draft GP.

RN, based on his experiences throughout the New England region, said that Maine can make a strong case about how appropriate the existing approach is for Maine.

TLP further suggested, perhaps outside the actual Permit language development process, that a group be established including representatives from the statewide coalition and DEP for the purposes of developing statewide BMPs, construction standards, education/awareness plan models, etc.

ZH initiated a general discussion about whether the coalition's comments should include a recommendation to reference the "integrated approach" in the Permit. Opinions were on both sides. PN indicated that Bangor saw no down side to exploring the integrated approach inasmuch as it could lead to an effective amortizing of the City's long term financial obligations, including both the consent decree and the ongoing MS4 obligations.

MMA was asked to create a connected contact list system so that all members of the coalition of MS4 communities could intercommunicate. TLP and BZ and others are going to start a draft of the statewide approach for awareness/assessment, for all others to mark-up and further develop. All comments should be submitted for consideration and further development by the end of November so that the coalition's comments can be submitted before the December 11 deadline. (It is understood that each and every MS4 should feel entirely free to submit additional commentary to David Ladd and throughout the Permit development process, particularly to address pertinent local issues.) MMA will assist in the successive draftings of the coalition's formal comments as suggested language and mark-ups are submitted, and MMA will do further research on the hydrant flushing issue.

Adjourn.

To: Members of the Statewide Coalition of MS4 Municipalities

Fr: Jim Katsiaficas (through Geoff Herman)

Re: Analysis of proposed deletion of "hydrant flushing" from the list of non-stormwater discharges in the draft 2013 General Permit

Date: November 16, 2012

Under the current Small MS4 General Permit (Part IV H.3.c.), certain non-stormwater discharges are exempted from regulation under the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) programs and ordinances that Small MS4 municipalities must develop, administer and enforce as part of their Stormwater Program Management Plans ("Plans"). These non-stormwater discharges are presumed exempt from regulation "provided they do not contribute to a violation of water quality standards." The rationale behind this list of exemptions appears to be that these discharges generally consist of clean water that contains no pollutants and so requires no treatment.

The draft General Permit removes two categories of discharges from this list: "hydrant flushing" and "water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources."

This removal leads to several questions: why were these discharges removed? who is responsible for the discharges? will hydrant owners (often water districts) have to apply for NPDES permits and waste discharge licenses? will Small MS4 municipalities have to amend their IDDE ordinances and programs to remove these categories? will Small MS4 municipalities have address these discharges in their Plans?

The current federal stormwater rule, 40 CFR 122.34(b)(3), presumes that these are exempt discharges, since the rule states that Small MS4 municipalities need address these discharges "only if you identify them as significant contributors of pollutants to your small MS4." See below:

(3) Illicit discharge detection and elimination.

(i) You must develop, implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges (as defined at Sec. 122.26(b)(2)) into your small MS4.

(ii) You must:

(A) Develop, if not already completed, a storm sewer system map, showing the location of all outfalls and the names and location of all waters of the United States that receive discharges from those outfalls;

(B) To the extent allowable under State, Tribal or local law, effectively prohibit, through ordinance, or other regulatory mechanism, non-stormwater discharges into your storm sewer system and implement appropriate enforcement procedures and actions;

(C) Develop and implement a plan to detect and address non-stormwater discharges, including illegal dumping, to your system; and

(D) Inform public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste.

(iii) You need address the following categories of non-stormwater discharges or flows (i.e., illicit discharges) only if you identify them as significant contributors of pollutants to your small MS4: water line flushing, landscape irrigation, diverted stream flows, rising ground waters, uncontaminated ground water infiltration (as defined at 40 CFR 35.2005(20)), uncontaminated pumped ground water, discharges from potable water sources, foundation drains, air conditioning condensation, irrigation water, springs, water from crawl space pumps, footing drains, lawn watering, individual residential car washing, flows from riparian habitats and wetlands, dechlorinated swimming pool discharges, and street wash water (discharges or flows from fire fighting activities are excluded from the effective prohibition against non-stormwater and need only be addressed where they are identified as significant sources of pollutants to waters of the United States).

(iv) Guidance: EPA recommends that the plan to detect and address illicit discharges include the following four components: procedures for locating priority areas likely to have illicit discharges; procedures for tracing the source of an illicit discharge; procedures for removing the source of the discharge; and procedures for program evaluation and assessment. EPA recommends visually screening outfalls during dry weather and conducting field tests of selected pollutants as part of the procedures for locating priority areas. Illicit discharge education actions may include storm drain stenciling, a program to promote, publicize, and facilitate public reporting of illicit connections or discharges, and distribution of outreach materials.

Has DEP identified “hydrant flushing,” “water line flushing” and “discharges from potable water sources” as significant contributors of pollutants to all Maine Small MS4s, or to any particular Small MS4(s)? The language of the rule strongly implies that this is a decision to be made as to each Small MS4, and not across-the-board. If there has been no identification of any of these discharges as significant contributors of pollutants to each and every Maine Small MS4, then the discharges should **not** be removed from the list of non-stormwater discharges in the General Permit, and that list should remain consistent with the federal rule. If any one or more of these discharges has been shown to be a significant contributor of pollutants to a Small MS4, then DEP should work with that small MS4 to include the discharge(s) in that small MS4’s IDDE program.

I understand that neither DEP nor any Small MS4 has identified these discharges as significant contributors of pollutants to any Maine Small MS4. Apparently, DEP is relying upon a “Guidance Manual for the Disposal of Chlorinated Water” prepared by four scientists in California on the basis of studies in ten cities or counties across the US, none of which is in Maine. While the study raises questions about the discharge of chlorinated water used to disinfect water mains and hydrants and the impact of dechlorination chemicals, it does not satisfy the EPA rule directive that these discharges need be addressed “only if you identify them as significant contributors of pollutants to your small MS4.”

In the end, if the new General Permit were to provide that a hydrant or line flushing discharge or a potable water source discharge no longer is exempt, the Small MS4 municipality will have to address these discharges in its Plan; presumably, this would entail some additional expense to the Small MS4. Exempting these discharges from the category of “Non-stormwater discharges” also could require the hydrant, line or potable water source owner – often a water district or utility – to permit and/or treat the discharge, which likely also would entail some additional expense. Both of these consequences could result in increased property taxes and water rates.

Changes Identified in the Draft MS4 General Permit for 2013-2018

What follows are the significant changes made to the 2008 General Permit that MMA staff believes should be reviewed and discussed at this meeting. This is certainly not an all-inclusive list and individuals may feel these identified changes are not necessarily all that significant. That is fine and all comments regarding these changes and others are welcomed and encouraged. Thank you for attending today's meeting.

Change #1. The draft Permit adds “where the TMDL provides adequate information to develop specific measures to protect water quality” to Part I. D. 4. and Part IV. K of the draft General Permit. In these sections, DEP is indicating that the draft General Permit does not authorize a discharge that is inconsistent with any EPA approved TMDL waste load allocation. ***What is this additional language trying to achieve? Is this the attempted unlinking of the IC TMDL from the MS4 General Permit?***

Change #2. The draft changes the geographic area covered by the General Permit from the Urbanized Area to the entire municipality. DEP has indicated this was not the Department's intention and that language will be removed in the final draft. ***Are additional comments to DEP regarding the inadvertent change necessary?***

Change #3. Throughout the draft General Permit, DEP makes a distinction between the new MS4 communities and the existing MS4 communities and how different timelines/deadlines will apply. ***Do these deadlines provide adequate response time for both the new and existing MS4 communities? Are any unrealistic?***

Change #4. In Part IV. H. 1. A. ii. of the draft General Permit, DEP creates an obligation to develop another (or revise an existing) Awareness Plan which would targets municipal staff, elected officials and volunteers within municipal government. ***Can these expansions of the awareness plan be easily incorporated?***

Change #5. In Part IV. H. 1. a. iv. of the draft General Permit, DEP is now requiring MS4 communities to target a specific audience (such as contractors that sand roads and parking lots or lawn care service providers) and influence changes in their behavior to improve the water quality in the watershed. DEP is also requiring that these communities notify them as to whom the audience is, what outreach efforts are planned, what the time line and implementation schedule is, who the responsible person will be, identify what the outreach effort goal and impact evaluation protocol will be and report results in their annual report. ***Is this suggestion of further narrowing awareness/outreach efforts overly expensive and time consuming? Will the benefit exceed the cost?***

Change #6. In Part IV. H. 3. a. v. of the draft General Permit, DEP introduces new language that requires each permittee under the General Permit to enact an enforceable mechanism that ensures that, upon sale or transfer of any real estate on which a septic system is located within its watersheds, the septic system be evaluated to determine if it is malfunctioning and potentially discharging into the MS4. ***Who would enforce this? How would this be enforced? Will the benefit exceed the cost? Are there currently ordinances in Maine that regulate septic system inspections at the time of transfer?***

Greg Connors

From: Ladd, David [David.Ladd@maine.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 5:43 AM
To: Dan Jellis; Adam Bliss; Albert Presgraves; Angela Blanchette; Anthony Beaulieu; Barbara Cox; Betty McInnes; Bill Robertson; Bill Taylor; Bob Burns (E-mail); Bob Malley (robert.malley@capeelizabeth.org.); Brenda Z; Carla Nixon; Carol Potter; Chris Bulduc; Christine Rinehart; D Fortier; David Hediger; DAVID THOMES (E-mail); David Wight; Dillon, Frederick ; Donna Larson (E-mail); Doug Roncarati; DuBois, Marianne S; Eric Dudley (E-mail); Eric Labelle; Franceschi, Jennie ; Fred.Morin; Greg Connors; Gretchen Heldmann; Guglielmo, Wynne; Ivy Frignoca; Jay Reynolds; Jeff Beale; Joel Moulton (jmoulton@eliotme.org); John Branscom; John Murphy (E-mail) ; Jon Carter ; Joseph Griffin; Justin Early; Kate Pelletier (E-mail); Katherine Earley (E-mail); Hoppe, Kathy M; Keith Barnhard ; keith trefethen; Ken Locke (E-mail); Kristie Rabasca; Lou colburn; Mark Gallup; Mary Ann Conroy; 'Matthew Marks'; Michael Sauda; Niles, Rich; Phil Ruck; Poirier, Rhonda; Rob Yerxa; Robyn Saunders; Rosenberg.Alex@epamail.epa.gov; Ryan Leighton; Scott Wilkerson; Sharon Newman; Steve Kahl ; Steve LeBrun ; Tamara; Tom Milligan (E-mail); William Murphy; Zach Henderson
Cc: Erik Street; Witherill, Donald T
Subject: RE: comparison document

Hi All,

Here's a quick response to some comments from the Town of Yarmouth:

Comment: 1) changing applicability to whole municipality from UA: Even though not a problem for Yarmouth - our ordinance applies to whole already where applicable (MS4 Permit items apply to impacts on MS4 only vs. direct discharges that are (appropriately) regulated elsewhere or responsibility of State, State-wide; and

Answer: The 2013 MS4 GP will continue to regulate the UA, based on the new maps, that we should have by December 1, 2012, not the entire Municipality as the regulated area. That is a mistake on my part and it was not the Department's intent to have the draft go out indicating that the entire municipality would be regulated area.

Comment: 2) Mandating septic system evaluations. This will be a huge burden to municipalities and is - in my opinion - well beyond MS4 responsibility.

It will effectively require Town Ordinance changes. Real Estate brokers should be given open and public opportunity to weigh in on this one. Any new regulation of private septic systems should be state-wide. Septic system condition and operation is not an MS-4 issue.

Again Yarmouth is probably more "progressive" in this area than most municipalities since Town pays for septic system pump outs Town-wide every 3 years (and keeps accurate records of activity). We also reinstituted a small subsidy for replacement of failed septic systems - frequently used at property transfers as a result of home inspections. But for State DEP to mandate evaluations at property transfer ... only in MS-4 communities - is forcing these few municipalities into regulating private property owner responsibilities where adequate existing rules/laws already exist.

Answer: We at the Department will have to discuss this In-house before I can provide feedback.

Comment: 3) Re sanitary waste and concrete truck wash-out at construction sites ... isn't former already an illegal non-storm water discharge?

And if the latter is an issue - why not just add it to the list of non stormwater discharges?

Answer: We were specifically told by EPA that these two issues were lacking in our Maine Construction General Permit and Chapter 500 and if the State is to reference these existing programs we need to address these issues. We can certainly discuss these during various meetings as good points were made in these initial comments. Discharging sanitary waste and concrete truck wash-out into waters of the State are illegal discharges that would not receive a permit. That being said, it is still a big problem across the state and has happened in one of the regulated communities in the last 60 days.

Town of Veazie Fire/Rescue Department

MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Martin

From: Capt Metcalf

Date: November 15, 2012

Re: October Monthly Report



Incidents

321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	6	31.58%
350 - Extrication, rescue, other	1	5.26%
Total - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incidents	7	36.84%
413 - Oil or other combustible liquid spill	1	5.26%
Total - Hazardous Conditions (No fire)	1	5.26%
500 - Service Call, other	3	15.79%
511 - Lock-out	1	5.26%
520 - Water problem, other	1	5.26%
Total - Service Call	5	26.32%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	1	5.26%
Total - Good Intent Call	1	5.26%
743 - Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	4	21.05%
745 - Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional	1	5.26%
Total - False Alarm & False Call	5	26.32%
Total for Station	19	100.00%

Incidents by Day of Week

Day of the Week	Number of Incidents
Sunday	1
Monday	2
Tuesday	5
Wednesday	3
Thursday	2
Friday	2
Saturday	4

Town of Veazie Fire/Rescue Department

Incidents by Time of Day

Time of Day	Number of Incidents
01:00:00 to 01:59:59	1
03:00:00 to 03:59:59	1
07:00:00 to 07:59:59	2
10:00:00 to 10:59:59	4
11:00:00 to 11:59:59	2
12:00:00 to 12:59:59	2
13:00:00 to 13:59:59	1
15:00:00 to 15:59:59	1
16:00:00 to 16:59:59	1
17:00:00 to 17:59:59	2
18:00:00 to 18:59:59	1
21:00:00 to 21:59:59	1

Average Response Time by Time of Day*

Please note that the response time includes the time the call is taken at dispatch not from when call is toned out.

Time	Count	Count in Average	Average Response Time HHMMSS
01:00:00 to 01:59:59	1	1	00:16:21
03:00:00 to 03:59:59	1	1	00:09:55
07:00:00 to 07:59:59	2	2	00:05:02
10:00:00 to 10:59:59	4	4	00:03:58
11:00:00 to 11:59:59	2	0	
12:00:00 to 12:59:59	2	1	00:06:26
13:00:00 to 13:59:59	1	1	00:06:43
15:00:00 to 15:59:59	1	1	00:10:45
16:00:00 to 16:59:59	1	1	00:03:40
17:00:00 to 17:59:59	2	1	00:05:51
18:00:00 to 18:59:59	1	1	00:11:01
21:00:00 to 21:59:59	1	1	00:17:57
Totals:	19	15	

* **Note:** The incident count used in averages does not include the following:
 Not completed incidents, Personal Vehicle Response Mutual Aid given, Other Aid Given, Cancelled in Route,
 Not priority, Fill-In Standby, No arrival and Invalid Dates/Times.

Town of Veazie Fire/Rescue Department

Response Time Recap

2012232	Cancelled	Dispatched & cancelled en route
2012247	Not Priority	Service Call, other
2012245	1 min(s), 18 sec(s)	Lock-out
2012233	3 min(s), 5 sec(s)	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
2012243	3 min(s), 24 sec(s)	Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional
2012248	3 min(s), 40 sec(s)	Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional
2012240	5 min(s), 12 sec(s)	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
2012250	5 min(s), 51 sec(s)	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
2012237	6 min(s), 19 sec(s)	Oil or other combustible liquid spill
2012234	6 min(s), 26 sec(s)	Extrication, rescue, other
2012244	6 min(s), 40 sec(s)	Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional
2012236	6 min(s), 43 sec(s)	Service Call, other
2012249	9 min(s), 55 sec(s)	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
2012241	Not Priority	Water problem, other
2012246	10 min(s), 45 sec(s)	Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional
2012242	11 min(s), 1 sec(s)	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
2012238	16 min(s), 21 sec(s)	EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury
2012239	17 min(s), 57 sec(s)	Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional
2012235	Not Priority	Service Call, other

Weekly Training

Annual Review on Heating and CO Emergencies	10/4/2012 6:00:00PM
EMS Gunshot Trauma followed by Spinal Immobilization	10/11/2012 6:00:00PM
Haz-Mat Ops Review – ICS Considerations	10/18/2012 6:00:00PM
Confined Space/Rescue Equipment Review	10/25/2012 6:00:00PM

Additional Individual Training

One member attended an EMS ACLS recertification
 One member attended a Pine Tree Burn Foundation workshop

Other Activities-not inclusive

Monthly ladder inspections
 Monthly municipal building fire extinguisher and emergency light checks
 Blood Pressure Clinic at 1 and 3 Flagg Street
 Fire Prevention at the Veazie Community School during Fire Prevention Week
 Fire Station Visit by students from the Veazie Community School
 Annual EMS equipment inspection was conducted by Maine EMS
 Assisted Maine Forest Ranger Jerry Parsons with educational material for juvenile firesetters
 Conducted interviews with media regarding smoke alarms and home escape plans
 Conducted a fire safety walk through at a local business
 Participated in the annual Halloween Hullabaloo – in addition firefighters held a fundraiser to raise money to donate to the new pediatric cancer care center at the Lafayette Center.
 Participated in a parade for the new pediatric cancer care center – gave the donation from the money raised at the Halloween Hullabaloo.



Message

Mon, Nov 19, 2012 10:00 AM

From: "Mark Leonard" <vzchief800@yahoo.com>

To: **Joseph Hayes**

Subject: FW: Regional Animal Control

Attachments: Attach0.html / Uploaded File

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Town ACO Estimated Cost By Population W-O Glenburn & Bradle.xls / Uploaded ... 30K

From: Barbara Veilleux [<mailto:bveilleux@penobscot-county.net>]

Sent: Monday, November 19, 2012 9:38 AM

To: Bill Mayo; Hudson Town Office; Eddington ; Gary Duquette; Mark Leonard; Milford Town Manager

Subject: Regional Animal Control

Good Morning,

Both Glenburn and Bradley have hired ACOs, at least for the short term. Their withdrawal changes the previous cost structure for the towns, but I believe it may make this idea more palatable for everyone. The breakdown for regions 1 and 2 is now more evenly spread out with each zone needing coverage for just over 7 hours per week. Possibly we could find one person to cover both zones, which would save \$1,000 in liability insurance. However, finding someone willing to travel those distances may prove difficult.

I've attached a new cost estimate based on the withdrawal of Bradley & Glenburn. Please let me know your thoughts and whether your town still wants to participate. I will be in the office through Wednesday but will be taking vacation next week so I won't be back in the office until December 3rd. Based on your responses, we may need to schedule another meeting to hammer out the details so we can proceed with the hiring process if this idea doesn't "die in committee". ☺

Thank you for your participation and I hope you all have a happy Thanksgiving!

Barbara A. Veilleux

Director

Penobscot County

Unorganized Territory Administration

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REGIONAL ANIMAL CONTROL

Town	Population	# Calls	% of Cost Based on Population	Current Cost	Est. Cost To Town
Eddington	2,225	56	42	3,000	3,158
Milford	3,070	72	58	4,000	4,360
Totals	5,295	128	100		7,518
Hudson	1,536	47	7	2,211	539
Old Town	7,840	32	36	?	2,775
Orono	10,362	32	48	4,000	3,699
Veazie	1,919	21	9	2,000	694
Totals	21,657	132	100		7,707

Region 1 - Eddington, Milford

Region 1 = 128 calls per year @ 3 hrs. per call = 384 hours per year/7.4 hours per week

384 hours @ \$15 per hour = \$5,760 per year

Liability Ins. \$1,000

Equipment \$400

Contract \$7,160

Admin Fee \$358

Total \$7,518

Region 2 - Hudson, Old Town, Orono, Veazie

Region 2 = 132 calls per year @ 3 hrs. per call = 396 hours per year/7.62 hours per week

396 hours @ \$15.00 per hour = \$5,940 per year

Liability Ins. \$1,000

Equipment \$400

Contract \$7,340

Admin Fee \$367

Total \$7,707

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Former Orono High student charged in cyberbullying case; target and family speak out



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Bangor, Maine (Bangor Daily News) — A former Orono High School student is facing felony terrorizing and harassment by electronic communication charges after posting dozens of threatening, anonymous messages on an Internet account of a former classmate she thought was flirting with her boyfriend, according to Veazie police.

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Although the Bangor Daily News usually does not identify crime victims, Orono High School sophomore Alexis Henkel, 15, her parents, Norbert and Judy Henkel, and her twin brother, Austin, agreed to talk publicly about what they've experienced in the hope of educating others about the impact that cyberbullying has on those who become targets.

The alleged cyberbully — a 16-year-old girl who used to go to Orono High School with the victim but now attends a high



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Bangor school in southern Maine — was charged with the offenses on Nov. 1 by Veazie Police Sgt. Keith Emery.

"I've handled harassment calls for 24 years and have never seen threats as violent, disgusting and vulgar as these," Emery said of the anonymous posts, which began appearing on the victim's Tumblr blog account in late September.

"They started out telling the girl she was ugly, a whore, slut, et cetera. As the messages continued through October, they got threatening," the sergeant said. "Just very vulgar and horrific threats. There were dozens of these types of messages."

Following are some of the offensive posts:

— "Ready for tomorrow night? I'd learn to sleep with your eyes open if I were you. I'm dulling my knife right now so when I stab you in the face, gut and legs it'll be painful as possible."

— "You know how all these environmental friendly groups say that waste should be properly disposed of? Well, come on Lexi, do the world a favor, and properly dispose of your [expletive deleted] self!"

— "Your face is like a baby seal. Fat, furry and just asking to be clubbed to death."

Assisting in the investigation were school administrators, school resource officers and Internet technology experts from Orono High, and the high school in southern Maine the suspect now attends.

Emery said last week that the suspect, whose name was withheld because of her age, confessed after she was interviewed at the Veazie police station. The terrorizing charge was elevated to felony status because the threats prompted the victim and her family to evacuate their home on several occasions, he said.

"Hopefully, she'll be charged with multiple counts from the [district attorney's] office of harassment by electronic communication device," Emery said. "The terrorizing comes from the nature of some of the threats. — things like 'I'm dulling my knife so that when I stab you it hurts worse, I'm on my way. Hey, come see me outside' — things like that really cause the fear to set in."

"Quite honestly if there was something more I could have charged her with, I would have," he said.

The suspect was released to her mother with specific conditions through the Maine Department of Probation's juvenile division, Emery said. Among other things, she is to have no contact with the victim, attend school and obey the rules of her home, he said. She is allowed to use the Internet only for school purposes and must be supervised while doing so.

Emery said this week that he already has reported two violations of the Internet use conditions, and that juvenile probation officials issued warnings to the suspect in response.

In addition, Emery served the suspect with a temporary protection from harassment order that the mother of the victim obtained court on her daughter's behalf. Judy Henkel said she obtained a permanent protection order on Thursday. A permanent protection from harassment order lasts for one year, but can be renewed.

Emery said the 16-year-old is scheduled to appear at the Penobscot Judicial Center in Bangor on Dec. 24, though Penobscot County Assistant District Attorney James Aucoin, whose duties include prosecuting juvenile matters, said Wednesday that he has yet to receive the case from juvenile authorities.

Emery said his investigation revealed that the girl wrote the offensive posts "because she thought [the victim] was flirting with her boyfriend."

Despite what her daughter went through, Judy Henkel said she sympathized with the mother of the alleged cyberbully.

"I couldn't imagine somebody coming to me, handing me [Internet printouts] and saying, 'Your daughter wrote this.' It would kill me as a mother, and I do feel sorry for [the suspect's] mother. You can't not feel sorry for another mother."

During an interview at the Veazie police station, the Henkels said that Alexis — also known as Lexi — began receiving disturbing messages on her Tumblr account in late September. The messages were posted anonymously, they said. Many of them were worded in such a way that they appeared to have been written by a male and that the author knew Lexi and was familiar with her school.

"There were death threats against her, [and] they were very disturbing [and of a] sexual nature," Norbert Henkel said.

Judy Henkel said the messages "spoke of dismembering her body, stalking her the rest of her life, raping her children. ... It was horrible."

As soon as the messages began showing up on her account, Lexi went to her mother, who contacted Veazie police, the Henkels said.

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 We really didn't know how to take it at first, how seriously to take it, but as it was going on [and we were] reading those messages, it felt like somebody [who] writes that would be so disturbed you don't know what else they would do," Norbert Henkel said.

"We really became worried about her well-being and her safety," he said of his daughter. "There were days we left home, we went somewhere else, for the simple reason that somebody was threatening to come over to the house and shoot at the house."

In addition to the death threats, there were "messages that would just [call] me names, or they would like tell me to hang myself," Lexi said.

In an effort to protect their daughter, Lexi's parents took over her account so that they could monitor the messages without her having to be exposed to them.

"We kept her Tumblr account open and let them keep sending them because the more we got, the better we thought we would be [in finding out who sent them], and then once we knew we had enough and Sgt. Emery said we were good, then we shut the site down," Judy Henkel said.

The messages — which since have been removed from Tumblr — continued to come in during a three-week period. Dozens of messages were sent, the Henkels said.

Twenty-seven of them included death threats, the Henkels said. Emery said that by subpoenaing Tumblr and obtaining the Internet Protocol addresses from which the messages were sent, investigators learned that all but a few of the anonymous posts were sent from the suspect's school in southern Maine. The Bangor Daily News is not naming the school because doing so might identify the suspect.

The harassment then moved to Lexi's cellphone, but that came to an end when her mother modified her account with Verizon so she could block calls from certain numbers.

Concerned for their daughter's safety, the Henkels kept Lexi at home until they could find out who was threatening her and until she felt ready to return.

Lexi — who noted that Homecoming was among the activities she missed — said last week that she planned to go back to school on Wednesday, after the long Veterans Day weekend. Judy Henkel said Lexi did indeed return to school on Wednesday.

Orono High Principal James Chasse said that student confidentiality rules prevented him discussing any specifics about the cyberbullying case.

Also prohibited from discussing specifics — including whether any disciplinary action was taken — were the principal and school resource officer of the high school in southern Maine the suspect now attends.

Bullying — both on the Internet and in person — is something that school officials in Maine take seriously, Chasse and the southern Maine principal said this week in separate interviews.

Chasse said that after learning of the case involving the Henkels, Orono school officials immediately began working with law enforcement and contacted Tumblr, which he said is not accessible on the Orono school system's Internet network.

"We are very happy that none of the bullying messages originated from our school, and that the cooperation between a few towns' law agencies and schools appears to have been very effective," he wrote in an email Saturday about the case.

"If it were one of our students, I have little doubt that we would have recommended expulsion of the student(s) to our school board," he said. "The student being bullied is returning to school and will be afforded all opportunity to be academically on track. We met several times with the family and recently created a plan for a successful return."

"We continue to teach and promote kindness, respect and responsibility and deal with issues individually as they arise. I hope that the story serves to communicate to families the challenges of digital citizenship facing this generation," Chasse said, adding, "The student is and has been very brave."

The southern Maine school resource officer said Wednesday that cyberbullying is difficult for schools to police because it takes place in cyberspace, as opposed to on school property, where teachers can see it or hear it. Oftentimes, bullies find ways to remain anonymous.

And the technology keeps changing, the resource officer said. Facebook, which has been a problem for school officials for the past several years, is being supplanted by new means of communicating, such as Snapchat.

In March of this year, Maine lawmakers gave final passage to a bill that would require schools to develop and implement a policy to address bullying and cyberbullying for use in Maine schools. The model policy is posted on the Maine Department of Education's website.

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In 2010, there were at least 14 suicides resulting from bullying nationally, according to The Associated Press.

"I can honestly say through this all [that] I'm glad my husband and I raised our children the way we did because they knew no matter what, they could come to us," Judy Henkel said.

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