Veazie Town Council Meeting

 May 26th, 2015

**Members Present**: Chairman Tammy Perry, Councilor Robert Rice, Councilor Karen Walker, Councilor Chris Bagley, Councilor David King, Manager Mark Leonard, Secretary Julie Strout, Town Attorney Thomas Russell, Budget Committee Chair Jeff Wheelden, Budget Committee members Bill Masters, Judy Horten & Norma Noble and various members of the public.

**Members Absent**:

All present

**ITEM 1: Call to order**

Chairman Tammy Perry called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**ITEM 2: Secretary to do the roll call:**

All Present

**ITEM 3: Pledge of Allegiance**

**ITEM 4: Consideration** **of the Agenda**

Chairman Perry wanted to add #14A as Executive Session 1 MRSA 405(6)A

Personnel Matter.

**ITEM 5: Approval of the May 11th Council Meeting Minutes**

Councilor David King made a motion, seconded by Councilor Karen Walker to accept the May 11th, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes as written. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6: Comments from the public**

Citizen Pat Rice asked about the detailed budgets being posted online.

**New Business:**

**ITEM 7: Signing of the Warrant**

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King to approve version 1 of the Town of Veazie Warrant for Annual Town Meeting and School Budget Meeting. Voted 4-1-0. Motion carried. Councilor Bagley opposed.

Manager Leonard will see if Jiffy Print will still be able to add the warrant to our town report book. If for some reason they cannot, we will have copies available at the town office, it will be posted on our website and copies will be made for the town meeting.

**ITEM 8: Drew Property- Abatement**

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor Karen Walker to approve the Drew Property abatement in the amount of $14.00 for 2013 taxes and $14.20 for 2014 taxes. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 9: Uncollectable Taxes**

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor Chris Bagley to move to write off the four uncollected personal property taxes defined in item 9, which are Chelette Manor LLC for $108.28, Mark Mullen’s for $305.30, Pine Tree R V Parts and Service for $87.50 and Refrigerant Sourcing Inc. for $61.50. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 10: Town Attorney Resignation**

The Council received a resignation letter from Mr. Thomas Russell. Per his letter he will continue to represent Veazie until July 10th and will continue to work on any pending matters. Mr. Russell mentioned that Roger Huber would like the opportunity to represent our town.

The Council would like Manager Leonard to ask Mr. Huber to attend a future meeting for a meet and greet.

Manager Leonard wanted to state that its been a pleasure working with Tom, he’s sorry to see him go and wished him well. The Council thanked Mr. Russell for all he has done for the town.

**ITEM 11: Donations**

Councilor Walker made a motion, seconded by Councilor Robert Rice to distribute $100 to MPBN, $300 to Eastern Area on Aging, $500 to Community Health and Counseling, $400 to Hammond St. Senior Center and $1000 to Gateway Seniors. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**ITEM 12: Manager’s Report**

Manager Leonard reviewed his report with the Councilor’s.

**ITEM 13: Comments from the Public**

Citizens shared their concerns about the school budget.

**ITEM 14: Requests for information and Town Council Comments**

Councilor Robert Rice wanted to put the letter from the Economic Development Committee on a future agenda for discussion on the Community Center.

Councilor David King asked to have the water container filled in the cemetery

**ITEM 14a: Executive Session 1 MRSA 405 (6)A Personnel matter**

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King to enter in to Executive Session 1 MRSA 405 (6)A Personnel Matter at 7:18pm. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King to exit Executive Session 1 MRSA 405 (6)A Personnel Matter at 7:25pm. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 15: Review & sign of AP Town Warrant #22 and Town Payroll #23, School Payroll Warrant #24 and AP School Warrant #24.**

The warrants were circulated and signed.

**ITEM 16: Adjournment**

Councilor Robert Rice motioned to adjourn

Councilor David King seconded. No discussion. Voted 5-0-0Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:27pm

A True Copy Attest

Julie Strout

Deputy Clerk