



**Veazie Town Council**

**Regular Meeting**

**August 8th, 2016  
6:30pm**

**AGENDA**

- 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 July 11th Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- ITEM 6:** Comments from the Public

**New Business:**

- ITEM 7:** Assessor Presentation
- ITEM 8:** Forester Presentation
- ITEM 9A:** Conservation Commission Appointment
- ITEM 9B:** Planning Board Appointment
- ITEM 10A:** Board of Appeals Re-Appointment
- ITEM 10B:** Tax Assessor Re-Appointment
- ITEM 10C:** Code Enforcement, E911 Inspector, Building Inspector, Addressing Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector Re-Appointment
- ITEM 11:** August 22<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting discussion

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Chris Bagley  
16 Silver Ridge  
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**Old Business:**

- ITEM 12:** FY 16/17 Goals and Objectives review
- ITEM 13:** Community Center Update
- 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 AP Town Warrant #3 and Town Payroll #3, School Payroll Warrant #2 & #3 and AP School Warrant #26-1, #26-2 & #3.
- ITEM 18:** Adjournment

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# Agenda Items

## For August 8, 2016

### Council Meeting

The following is a brief explanation of some of the items on the agenda:

ITEM 5: Approval of the July 11<sup>th</sup> regular Council meeting minutes.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion to approve the July 11, 2016 regular Council meeting minutes as written.**

ITEM 7: Ben Birch will provide an update to the Council from the Assessor's Office.

ITEM 8: David Wardrop will provide an update on Town land as it relates to his job as the Town Forester.

ITEM 9A: Linda Swackhammer has requested to be appointed to one of the open spots on the Conservation Commission. Her Citizen Involvement Application is enclosed for review and Ms. Swackhammer will be present at the meeting to answer questions the Council may have.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion that Linda Swackhammer be appointed to the Veazie Conservation Commission for a term of 3 years.**

ITEM 9B: Patrick Tabor has requested to be appointed to the Planning Board. His Citizen Involvement Application is enclosed for review and Mr. Tabor will be at the meeting to answer questions the Council may have. Currently all positions are filled on the Planning Board, but there is an opening for an Associate Member.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion that Patrick Tabor be appointed to the Veazie Planning Board as an Associate Member for a term of 3 years.**

Item 10A: Judy Horten requested she be re-appointed to the Board of Appeals for a 3 year term. Ms. Horten and the Board of Appeals have a good working relationship.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion to re-appoint Judy Horten to the Veazie Board of Appeals for a term of 3 years.**

Item 10B: Assessor Ben Birch requested he be re-appointed as the Tax Assessor for the Town of Veazie.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion to re-appoint Benjamin Birch Jr. as the Tax Assessor for the Town of Veazie for a term of 1 year.**

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Item 10C: Code Enforcement Officer John Larson requested he be re-appointed as the Code Enforcement Officer, E-911 Inspector, Building Inspector, Addressing Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion to re-appoint John Larson as the Code Enforcement Officer, E-911 Inspector, Building Inspector, Addressing Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Veazie for a term of 1 year.**

Item 11: In previous years the Council has chosen to only hold one Council meeting in the month of August. Staff sees no reason to have the second August Council meeting.

**Suggested Motion: I make a motion to cancel the August 22, 2016 Council meeting and hold the next regular scheduled Council meeting on September 12, 2016.**

Item 12: Review of the goals and objectives for FY 16/17 which were discussed during the July 11, 2016 Council meeting.

Item 13: Manager Leonard will update members of the Council on the bids that have been received for the approved work at the Community Center.

Veazie Town Council Meeting  
July 11th, 2016

**Members Present:** Chairman Tammy Perry, Councilor Chris Bagley, Councilor David King, Councilor Paul Messer, Councilor Michael Reid, Manager Mark Leonard, Secretary Julie Strout and various members of the public.

**Members Absent:**  
All present

**ITEM 1: Call to order**

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

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

All present

**ITEM 3: Pledge of Allegiance**

**ITEM 4: Consideration of the Agenda**

None

**ITEM 5: Approval of the June 27th, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Councilor David King made a motion, seconded by Councilor Michael Reid to approve the June 27th, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6: Comments from the public**

Citizen Andy Brown wanted to mention that there will be a Conservation Commission Committee Meeting held on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

**ITEM 7: Assessor Update**

This item was tabled until a future meeting.

**ITEM 8: Election of MMA's Legislative Policy Committee**

Councilor Chris Bagley made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King that the Municipality of Veazie vote for Thomas Perry, Councilor, Town of Orono and Charles Pray, Councilor, Town of Millinocket to serve on the Maine Municipal Association's Legislative Policy Committee from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 9: MMA Annual Elections**

Councilor Chris Bagley made a motion, seconded by Councilor Paul Messer to allow Manager Leonard to cast a single ballot for the Municipality of Veazie for Linda Cohen to serve the position of Vice President for a 1 year term, and James Gardner Jr, Christine Landes and Mary Sabins to each serve for 3 year terms as Directors on Maine Municipal Association's Executive Committee. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 10: July 25<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting Discussion**

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The warrants were circulated and signed.

**ITEM 17: Adjournment**

Councilor David King motioned to adjourn

Councilor Michael Reid seconded. No discussion. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:15pm

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Julie Strout, Deputy Clerk

## Land Management Items For Town of Veazie Consideration, 07/2016, by David Wardrop, Town Forester

ITEM # 8

This list was created to stimulate discussion between Conservation Commission, Town Council & Town Manager, and should be updated and amended annually.

It's purpose is to examine management considerations on the Town's public open-space, where to commit resources and who will be responsible.

All Costs are estimates, and are influenced by efficiencies, piggy-backing, volunteer contributions, grants and other opportunities.

F = Forester, TM = Town Manager, VCC = Veazie Conservation Commission, CEO = code enforcement

Priority = High, Medium or Low

\* Costs & Hours are average annual, or one time for capital items such as kiosk, trees, bridges, signs, etc. (usually grant related)

I recommend utilizing volunteers where possible, but assigning a responsible party to ensure tasks are completed fully and to acceptable standards.

Many items are not within our current budget, but attainable through grants. Others depend on evolving landowner objectives and available resources.

Traditionally, items not taken care of by VCC or volunteers have defaulted to the Town Forester or Town Manager.

Rather than get lost in the numbers, I recommend assigning attainable tasks, with resources, while keeping future goals in mind for opportunities.

Property	Project	Priority	Who	Hours	Cost	Notes
BHCA	annual trail lopping	H	VCC	8		\$0 usually on trail day
BHCA	assisting groups/tours/contributions	M	F	10		\$500 boy scouts, girl scouts, Audubon, OLT, chestnut foundation
BHCA	bush-hogging of fields	H	F	8		\$400 every 2 years
BHCA	bush-hogging of invasives	M	F	12		\$600 annually
BHCA	clearing blowdowns after storms	H	F	4		\$200 changes annually
BHCA	Gate/Kiosk maintenance	H	VCC	2		\$100
BHCA	Increase parking/fire turnaround	M	TM	6		\$2,000 Heavy equipment/gravel needed
BHCA	paint trail blazes	M	VCC	2		\$5 every 2 years
BHCA	Parking/access	L	TM	1		\$100 Mutton Lane for public access/parking, if desired by Council
BHCA	pruning of planted trees/shrubs	M	F	4		\$200
BHCA	Spraying of invasives	M	VCC	10		\$1,500 licensed herbicide applicator needed
BHCA	stream crossing repairs	H	F	4		\$200 changes annually
BHCA	trail improvement	M	F	8		\$400 filling holes in trails/moving material
BHCA	Trail mowing	H	F	12		\$600 4 times per year on walking trails
Davis	annual trail lopping	H	VCC	4		\$0 usually on trail day (2 hours, 2 times per year)
Davis	Create new trails	H	F	16		\$800 will improve management access to all 3 lots
Davis	Kiosk	L	VCC	10		\$1,200 new kiosk, if desired. Grant opportunity
Davis	mow trail	H	F	4		\$150 combined with BHCA mowing/hogging
Davis	parking	H	TM	8		\$800 tractor/gravel = 5+ spots. Staging area & public parking
Davis	trash cleanup day	H	VCC	8		\$100 need a large trash removal day, similar to Manters
Manter	communicate with OLT leaders	H	VCC/F	4		\$0 potential piggy-back opportunities & other collaboration

McPhetres	annual trail lopping	H	VCC	8	\$0 usually on land trust trail day, twice per year
McPhetres	boundary line maintenance	M	VCC	4	\$0 should walk perimeter/inspect annually
McPhetres	bridge inspection & maintenance	H	VCC	5	\$100 occasional replacement cost averaged
McPhetres	clearing blowdowns after storms	H	F	4	\$200 changes annually based on weather conditions
McPhetres	Fix gravel entrance	H	TM	4	\$500 patch gravel cemetery road/parking. One time cost
McPhetres	hazard tree removal	H	F	5	\$250 annual removals
McPhetres	Improve trails with chips	M	F	10	\$500 unlimited work needed with volunteers
McPhetres	invasive control	M	VCC	4	\$100 periodic herbicide use needed
McPhetres	kiosk/sign maintenance	H	VCC	2	\$100
McPhetres	mulch/weed/prune entrance trees	M	F	4	\$250 50 for mulch
McPhetres	paint trail blazes	M	VCC	2	\$5 usually every 2 years
McPhetres	poison ivy control	H	VCC	4	\$400 need herbicide applicator license
McPhetres	Public tours/education	M	F	10	\$500 various groups, historically
River	10 picnic tables	M	VCC	10	\$2,000 through grant or Charleston, may be free. Temp. umbrellas for public events?
River	10+ shade trees near road/trail	M	F/VCC	10	\$5,000 Grant. Recommend largest maples available. Sun exposure is a problem for visitors
River	add stairs to river for multi access points	L	TM	50	\$10,000 Grant. Granite stones/steps in 3 areas, toward river
River	addition of slabs by river	L	TM	30	\$8,000 Similar to Brownie Park, Orono, boat launch
River	additional boat launch	L	TM	TBD	near beginning of Veazie Street, for safer river exit
River	Annual inspection	H	CEO	4	\$0 annual inspection/documentation
River	bathroom	L	TM	TBD	In my opinion, cost prohibitive and will invite problems
River	boat launch maintenance	H	VCC	12	\$50 Spring assessment/raking, may need more permanent material
River	boundary line maint.	M	VCC	8	\$0 Should walk perimeter/inspect annually
River	ditch/runoff maintenance	H	TM	12	\$50 rake, shovel, wheelbarrow, seed hay as needed.
River	drain holes/paint for turbine	H	VCC	2	\$5 Annual inspection/paint
River	gate	M	TM	10	\$1,000 gate was donated, just needs installation
River	gazebo or shade structure	M	VCC	40	\$4,000 through grant or possibly G. Ondo
River	gravel raking/ road & trails	H	VCC	12	\$0 rake or hire out work
River	hazard mitigation (rebar, metal, glass)	H	VCC	52	\$0 Weekly inspection and removal
River	hazard tree removal	H	F	8	\$400 Identify/Remove current hazard trees
River	invasive control (purple loosestrife)	H	VCC	3	\$10 August/September control (remove from site in trash bags)
River	kiosk	H	VCC	12	\$100 an hour per month from VCC
River	litter pickup/graffiti mgt.	H	VCC	56	\$0 an hour per week
River	Loop Trail discussion with Sewer District	M	TM	2	\$0 May need new fencing/security monitor near pump station
River	remove industrial fence/add boulders	M	TM	10	\$3,000 Remove lower half of fence & strategically add boulders
River	Sign- "Carry In/Carry Out"	H	TM	1	\$100 Alternative is trash can with daily removal
River	Sign for fishing	M	TM	4	\$100 Consumption Warning signs



River	Sign for swimming	M	TM	4	\$100 signs - "Industrial History. Swim at your own risk"
River	sign maintenance	H	VCC	12	\$100 an hour per month inspection/graffiti cleaning
River	Sign-"Do Not feed the wildlife"	H	TM	2	\$100
River	Sign-"handicap parking only past gate"	H	TM	1	\$100
River	Sign-"No parking from here to gate"	H	TM	1	\$100
River	Sign-"No Smoking"	H	TM	2	\$100
River	Sign-"Please park on this side of road"	H	TM	1	\$200
River	Sign-"Please stay on trails"	H	TM	1	\$100
River	vista management/pruning	L	F	40	\$1,200 Enhance scenic vistas from Veazie Street. Grant project
River	waste bags/pet policy signs	H	VCC	2	\$100 Consider partnership with Veazie Vet
River	water fountain or faucet for public drinking	M	TM	2	TBD Hose from adjacent owner, or town source? Ondo Art grant?
River	weeding/mulch/veg. management	H	VCC	12	\$0 VCC or garden club
River	welcome Sign	H	TM	10	\$500 See BHCA & McPheetres Signs! Consider the same design

Other School/Street Trees H F 6 300+ pruning, weeding, hazard assessment & removal

All	future planting	?	?	?	?
All	future watering, pruning, weeding...tending	?	?	?	?
All	Grant writing	?	?	?	?
All	Hazards	?	?	?	?
All	Monitoring	?	?	?	?
All	Planning	?	?	?	?
All	Planning amendments	?	?	?	?
All	public education	?	?	?	?
All	Reporting	?	?	?	?
All	Responsible party	?	?	?	?
All	Tree City USA/Project Canopy reporting	?	?	?	?

#### Past grants obtained by Town Forester

	2002 +/- Project Canopy Grant for McPheetres Trails and educational outreach
	2004 +/- Project Canopy Grant for BHCA invasive control and education
\$23,000	2007/8 USDA NRCS Grants in the amount of over \$23,000 for BHCA wildlife habitat improvement and invasive control
\$9,500	2008 Project Canopy grant for BHCA trail improvement
\$15,000	2011 Project Canopy Grant attained 44 trees around town worth \$12,200 with 172 volunteer hours
\$4,000	2013 Project Canopy Grant for hazard tree assessment, inventory, removals & plantings
<b>\$51,500</b>	<b>Total in past decade with limited effort and flexibility to act upon opportunities</b>



ITEM # 9A



### *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 fill out this application and return it to the Veazie Town Office.

Name Linda Swackhamer Phone Number 951-4588

Address 11 Veazie St Veazie 04401

Civic Involvement Board member/Orono Land Trust, volunteer Wabanaki REACH

Years Resided in Veazie 2 1/2

Specialty or Field environmental ed., outreach, cultural development

Committee or Boards Interested In Conservation

#### Additional Information

Very interested in our schools + public parks as a way  
to increase community involvement, neighborhood-  
building + economic development.

Applicants Signature: Linda Swackhamer

**\*By signing this document I acknowledge that I have read and agree to abide by the Committee Policy that has been adopted by the Veazie Town Council.\***

Date Received at Town Office: 7-13-16



ITEM # 9B



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Name Patrick Taber Phone Number 260-3864  
Address 57 E. Sunset Drive Veazie  
Civic Involvement Planning Board Member  
Years Resided in Veazie 13  
Specialty or Field Engineering, Building Design, Site Development  
Committee or Boards Interested In Planning Board Member  
Additional Information  
Served on Brewer Planning Board in the 1990's  
Have presented to Planning Boards for over 30 years.

Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date Received at Town Office: \_\_\_\_\_



# Memo

**To:** Veazie Town Council  
**From:** Mark Leonard; Town Manager  
**Date:** July 12, 2016  
**Re:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2016/2017 Council Goals and Objectives

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On July 11, 2016 during a regular Council meeting a discussion was held to discuss the goals and objectives for the Council for FY 2016/2017. From this meetings the following was determined to be the goals and objectives of the council in no certain order;

1. Have regular meetings with the Principal and School Board members to assist in the development of a strategic plan for the Veazie Community School.
2. Research and implement ways to provide better communications with all Town Committees and the Citizens of the Town of Veazie
3. Receive regular reports for all Town Departments including quarterly financial reviews
4. Have semi-annual meetings with the Veazie Sewer District and Orono Veazie Water District Board members.
5. Review the data that has been collected from the questionnaire which was developed last year and given to new home owners in Veazie.
6. Overall review of all Town Ordinances to include updating the Town's Charter and additionally defining public land and rules regulating the usage.
7. Develop a Capital Improvement Plan for the Town of Veazie





# **Manager's Report For, 2016 Council Meeting**

Since the last council meeting here are some things I've been working on as well as things occurring around Town.

Last fall it was brought to my attention that some culverts on Main Street needed repair or replacement. I hired a contractor to make the necessary repairs/replacement which has been completed except for the re-paving. The re-paving will be done by the Town's paving Contractor in the near future.

The Town's Ground Maintenance Contractor and I inspected the cul-de-sacs around Town. In his opinion, if we remove the planting that currently exist and replace them with loam and grass, it would prevent future maintenance costs. I have contracted the President of the Garden Club regarding this change, and she is not in support of removing the plantings. She will reach out to the other members to get their opinions and once those are received, we will meet to discuss a solution. An email from the President of the Garden Club is enclosed for review.

Principal Cyr and I met to discuss the Visioning Committee Meeting that I was unable to attend. We also discussed several other items as they relate to the School and the Town.

I attended the Thriving in Place meeting which was held in Orono which was well attended. At the conclusion of the meeting we had a discussion with local law enforcement on the Wanders Program and the Good Morning Program. Both of which the Veazie Police Department participates in.

A sink hole on Ridgeview Drive which developed overnight was brought to my attention. I determined it was caused from a failed culvert. I contacted Lou Silver Construction and they resolved the issue.

I met with Andy Brown concerning the Conservation Commission. They are going to be working on rules and regulations for the Town on properties.

Superintendent McLaughlin and I met regarding upcoming paving projects which will occur around Town. We reviewed each site to make sure he is ready when the Contractor is ready to start paving. Mike Hopkins, the Town's Paving Contractor, is anticipating paving Chase Road are during the week of the 25<sup>th</sup>. The preparation work will be done during the week of the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Representatives from Kathadin Savings Bank, School Business Office staff and myself met to transfer over the School's banking. In addition, I met with Kathadin Staff and completed training as it relates to on-line banking.

CEO Larson provided me with Property Maintenance Ordinance that will be presented to the Planning Board for discussion. I have reviewed the Ordinance and am in full support. I will recommend the Ordinance be accepted. This Ordinance will help address the complaints we received on unsightly properties located throughout Town.

# Manager's Report For, 2016 Council Meeting

Following the severe storm that passed through Town, I went around to survey the damaged. The hardest hit area was the Cemetery where we lost approximately 4 trees. I contacted the tree crew who responded and cleared the tree that had blocked the sidewalk on State Street. They will be returning to remove the rest of the trees as soon as their schedule will allow. I have also since met with the Town Forester and he has shown me several other high risk trees around Town. I will be getting estimates to have those trees removed as well before they are taken down during future storms. At this point the damage caused by these downed trees has been minimal. By getting these high risk trees removed in advance, it will help prevent any serious damage from occurring.

I have updated the Community Center lease that was approved at the July 11<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. The tenant and I will meet in the near future to review and sign the lease.

I have been working to update the FY 16/17 goals and objectives for the Council as they were discussed at the last meeting. I will have these prepared for further discussion at the next council meeting

Barney Silver and I met to discuss his estimate to install a water line to the Community Center to allow for sprinkler installation. I previously received estimates from two companies for the sprinkler system installation. I contacted both companies to requested updates estimates. Additionally, I requested an estimate from the Town's contractor to update the interior of the building. The Community Center Re-Development Committee has scheduled a meeting to discuss these items as well as to formulate a plan to move forward with.

As I was authorized to move forward with the repair of the tennis court, I contacted Vermont Tennis Court to make such repairs. They will contact me soon with an anticipated start date. I have gone to the tennis court and cleared some of the invasive brush that had grown in the fence. In surveying the fence, I determined we will need some fence work as well. I will contact local vendors to get cost estimates.

I received a complaint regarding drainage at the cemetery from a family who held a service and they felt the road was impassable. We received a large amount of rain from a passing storm which contributed to the decline of the road. A temporary repair was done to allow for vehicles to use the road. I have spoken to Matt's Property Management regarding this issue and they will permanently fix the drainage and road within the next few weeks. They will also repair the fence that was damaged in the storm at the same time.

I received a list of ditches and outfalls that need to be repaired prior to our Stormwater Permit Audit. I will set up a meeting between SEE staff and myself to go over the necessary repairs prior to meeting with a contractor.

All of the Town's investment accounts have now been transferred to Kathadin Bank. I have spoken to representatives from Kathadin regarding these accounts numerous times, which is an improvement over our previous vendor.

# Manager's Report

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I attended a Community Center re-development meeting in which I presented estimates that I received for approved projects. Since that meeting, I have met with additional contractors and will provide a complete report to the Council prior to authorizing the work.

The paving contractor and I met and reviewed the paving work that has been completed so far. All work has been done in a timely fashion, and concerns have been addressed immediately. We are anticipating the paving work will be completed much earlier this year than last year.

The Town's Auditor has met with staff and collected all the required information for the audit to be completed.

Staff and I are working on updating all of the Policies and Procedures for the Town Office staff. Once the drafts are finished, they will be presented to the Council for review and approval.

I attended the Visioning Committee meeting which was held at the school. We discussed a name and mission statement for the group. A name was chosen during this meeting and we will work to develop a Mission Statement at the next meeting, which will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

I participated in a discussion regarding bullying during the last School Board meeting. Principal Cyr, Guidance staff and myself met several times regarding this issue last year. Principal Cyr is in the process of setting up a Civil Rights team for the school. I offered the assistance of the Police Department as well as myself to raise awareness and that bullying will not be tolerated at VCS.

Phil Ruck and I met in preparation of the anticipated Stormwater Audit. We scheduled several additional meetings with other departments and contractors.

Taxes were committed on August 5, 2016 and will be mailed out on this same day. Thank you to the Office Staff for completing this process smoothly and without issue.

#### Attachments:

Letter to Police Department from US Attorney Delahanty  
Letter of resignation from Conservation Commission Member Jeff Martin  
Flyer on Public Workshop and Tour of the Penobscot Estuary  
Email on Solar meeting  
PERC Works Newsletter  
Information from MRC  
Invitation from the Veazie Congregational Church  
Agenda for August 1<sup>st</sup> School Board Meeting  
Letter from Dynegy



VEAZIE



CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH

You are cordially invited to  
The Sunday morning service  
Of The Veazie Congregational  
Church.

On September 11, 2016

At 10:00 A.M.

We wish to honor our Public  
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Veazie Town Council Meeting  
July 11th, 2016

**Members Present:** Chairman Tammy Perry, Councilor Chris Bagley, Councilor David King, Councilor Paul Messer, Councilor Michael Reid, Manager Mark Leonard, Secretary Julie Strout and various members of the public.

**Members Absent:**  
All present

**ITEM 1: Call to order**

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

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

All present

**ITEM 3: Pledge of Allegiance**

**ITEM 4: Consideration of the Agenda**

None

**ITEM 5: Approval of the June 27th, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Councilor David King made a motion, seconded by Councilor Michael Reid to approve the June 27th, 2016 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6: Comments from the public**

Citizen Andy Brown wanted to mention that there will be a Conservation Commission Committee Meeting held on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

**ITEM 7: Assessor Update**

This item was tabled until a future meeting.

**ITEM 8: Election of MMA's Legislative Policy Committee**

Councilor Chris Bagley made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King that the Municipality of Veazie vote for Thomas Perry, Councilor, Town of Orono and Charles Pray, Councilor, Town of Millinocket to serve on the Maine Municipal Association's Legislative Policy Committee from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 9: MMA Annual Elections**

Councilor Chris Bagley made a motion, seconded by Councilor Paul Messer to allow Manager Leonard to cast a single ballot for the Municipality of Veazie for Linda Cohen to serve the position of Vice President for a 1 year term, and James Gardner Jr, Christine Landes and Mary Sabins to each serve for 3 year terms as Directors on Maine Municipal Association's Executive Committee. Voted 5-0-0. Motion carried.





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July 11, 2016

Chief Mark Leonard  
Veazie Police Department  
1084 Main Street  
Veazie, ME 04401

Re: Tragedy in Dallas

Dear Chief Leonard:

We are all fortunate to have the benefit of living and working in Maine, one of the safest states in America. Unfortunately, the tragic events of July 7 in Dallas remind us that critical incidents can occur any place, any time, even when sparked by other events hundreds or a thousand miles away.

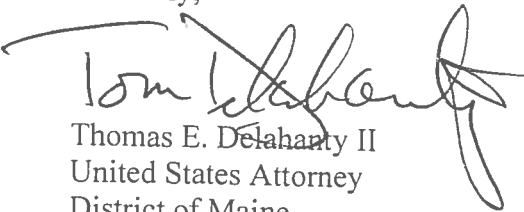
I want to say, and I cannot say it enough, that the service of your officers and your leadership is critical to the good order of our life in Maine. Thank you for your service to the people of Veazie.

This is an event and attack on law enforcement of an entirely different character than we have seen before. We must remain steadfast to protect our freedom and protect our well-being.

This office and the Department of Justice will do all we can to assist you in your mission.

Thank you for all you do, and "Be careful out there."

Sincerely,

  
Thomas E. Delahanty II  
United States Attorney  
District of Maine

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Veazie Conservation Commission Committee  
RE: Resignation Notice



Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department

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Jeff M. Martin

Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department

18 July 2016

Dear Mr. Leonard,

I regret to inform you that I am resigning from the Veazie Conservation Commission Committee. Unfortunately, my professional and interpersonal relations with my academic advisor has not worked out. I will be transferring my doctoral studies to Texas A&M University to the Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department this coming middle of August. As an aside, you might like to know that my wife has also been accepted to pursue her doctoral studies at Texas A&M in Ecosystem Science and Management.

I do apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. I greatly appreciate the time I have been able to give to the Conservation Commission and I hope that I have made a positive impact on the town. The Conservation Commission Chair, Andy Brown, is privy to this information and we have discussed my resignation in advance.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff M. Martin".

Jeff M. Martin

Please Forward to:  
VZ CCC Chair – Andy Brown  
Veazie Town Board

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

BRUCE POLIQUIN  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS  
2ND DISTRICT, MAINE

July 18, 2016

Mark Leonard  
Chief of Police  
1084 Main St  
Veazie, ME 04401-7091

Dear Chief Leonard,

In light of recent events and increased national attention on Police Departments, I wanted to personally send you a note of appreciation.

I believe as a community and as individuals we don't say thank you enough, so I hope this serves as one small step toward showing you and your fellow officers the appreciation you deserve.

Thank you for your unwavering commitment to serving the State of Maine. Each of you demonstrate tremendous bravery and make significant sacrifices to ensure the safety of our communities on a daily basis.

I cannot overstate the respect and appreciation that I have for your hard work, dedication and sacrifice to protect our fellow Mainers every single day. I am humbled, honored and inspired to serve in Congress on behalf of such leaders.

Thank you again for your service, you make us all proud.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce Poliquin". The signature is stylized, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Bruce Poliquin



## **FREE Public Workshop and Tour of the Penobscot Estuary**

Saturday, August 13 and Saturday September 17

Do you like to explore your surroundings in the Penobscot River Watershed? Are you curious about how art and science can work together to help us learn about our environment?

In Kinship is a performance project that uses the arts to develop conversations about community and environment in the Penobscot River Watershed. The project is produced by Open Waters with support from the Kindling Fund. In 2016, we are partnering with biologists from the University of Southern Maine and The Nature Conservancy to offer a two-part public workshop combining art, fisheries science, and a driving tour of the Penobscot estuary.

This event is designed for up to ten participants and will take place in two parts. In the first, led by biologists Karen Wilson and Molly Payne Wynne, we will visit several sites on the estuary to learn about this unique habitat and its use by migratory fish. The second meeting, led by writer Cory Tamler, will take place on Saturday September 17, and will combine community dialogue with creative writing.

### The Details:

- Participation is FREE
- Meeting times are Saturday, August 13 from 10 am – 3 pm and Saturday, August 17 from 1 pm – 4 pm
- On August 13, we will meet at the Penobscot Observatory. Meeting location for the September meeting is TBD.
- We ask that participants attend both parts of the workshop.
- A picnic lunch will be provided on August 13.
- No previous knowledge of the fisheries, or of art & writing, is necessary.

To register for this event, please visit: <http://bit.ly/29Xsynn>

To learn more about the In Kinship project and Open Waters, visit: [www.open-waters.org](http://www.open-waters.org)

To contact the organizers: [info@open-waters.org](mailto:info@open-waters.org) or call Jennie at 207.899.5208

*This workshop is designed and facilitated by Jennie Hahn and Cory Tamler, Open Waters, Karen Wilson, Ph.D, University of Southern Maine, and Molly Payne Wynne, The Nature Conservancy.*



Message

Thu, Jul 21, 2016 12:41 PM

From:  Karen Marysdaughter <karenmd@myfairpoint.net>

To:  Karen Marysdaughter <karenmd@myfairpoint.net>

Bcc:  Mark Leonard

Subject: Bangor Energy Expo

Attachments:  Attach0.html / Uploaded File

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Hi all,

Here is an opportunity for local homeowners and businesses to invest in energy efficiency - please circulate!

### **Bangor Energy Expo**

**Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2016 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

**Location:** Cross Insurance Center, 515 Main St, Bangor, Maine

**For more information:** (207) 992-4284; [bangormaine.gov/energysmartbangor](http://bangormaine.gov/energysmartbangor)

The Bangor Energy Expo is free and open to the public. Energy Efficiency vendors will be attending with information on weatherization, insulation, and energy efficient heating systems. Special one-time expo pricing may be available! Representatives from Efficiency Maine and the City of Bangor will be on hand to answer questions about their respective rebate programs and sign up interested homeowners.

Karen Marysdaughter

# PERC works

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## **"Too Many Unknowns" cautions *The Ellsworth American***

One of Maine's most respected newspapers, *The Ellsworth American*, in a hard-hitting editorial last week warned that going with the MRC/Fiberight plan was "Gambling on a proposal that, more and more, appears to be a speculative and unproven venture is a risky and unwise use of taxpayer dollars."

The editorial also had this to say about PERC: "...the PERC plant in Orrington, now nearly 30 years old, has been well-maintained and updated and is position to provide years of continued service."

For anyone following this issue, the editorial is well worth a read.

Here's a link:

<http://www.ellsworthamerican.com/opinions/too-many-unknowns>

In another editorial a few weeks ago the *American* called Fiberight's tipping fees "pure speculation" and said the company's technology "has not yet proved itself on

an industrial scale."

The complete editorial is here:

<http://www.ellsworthamerican.com/opinions/lets-stick-perc>

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## **PERC Receives EPA Environmental Award**

All of us at PERC were very pleased to receive an Environmental Merit Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in May in recognition of our efforts to achieve zero wastewater discharge into the Penobscot River.

"We take our environmental responsibilities very seriously," said Plant Manager Hank Lang in a news release, adding that **"this award is a credit to our employees who always try to go above and beyond what is required."**

In citing PERC for the award, the EPA wrote the following:

*Motivated by the excellence of its employees, Penobscot Energy in 2013 began other focused projects, including one to design and put in place a "zero liquid discharge" program that would recycle all process water internally and avoid discharging water to the Penobscot River. The existing wastewater treatment plant was repurposed to treat and recycle wastewater to other parts of the operation. By 2015, the zero liquid discharge goal had been realized.*

Speaking of PERC and the other 2016 winners, Curt Spalding, regional administrator of EPA's New England office, said this: "These New England award winners are committed to making our towns, cities and countryside of New England healthy, vibrant places with clean air, land and water."

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/maine-organizations-and-residents-recognized-epa-environmental-achievements>



Pictured left to right: John Noer, president of USA Energy Group, Richard Moran, PERC Environmental Technician, Gregory Bagley, PERC Field Operator, Mike Mains, PERC Technical Manager, Deborah Szaro, EPA Deputy Regional Administrator, Curt Spalding, EPA Regional Administrator at the EPA Merit Awards on May 10, 2016. Photo courtesy of the EPA.

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### **Hermon, many other towns staying with PERC**

We're are pleased that over the last few months, many Maine towns and cities have made the decision to stay with PERC.

Under the leadership of Town Manager Roger Raymond, the Town of Hermon has spent probably more time studying the competing waste disposal proposals than any other town in Maine, and many towns looked to Hermon for guidance on how to proceed.

That's why we were especially pleased that the Hermon town council voted overwhelmingly to stay with PERC.

As Roger Raymond told MPBN radio a few days after the vote, "... the bottom line is we prefer to stay with someone we know with an option that will work



versus an option that we have no clue whether it will or not."

To see all the information that the Town of Hermon compiled, follow this link:

[http://www.hermon.net/feed.php?num=1&feed\\_id=1&news\\_id=405](http://www.hermon.net/feed.php?num=1&feed_id=1&news_id=405)

Other towns staying with PERC after 2018 include: Old Town, Lincoln, Orrington, Ellsworth, Stonington, Milford, Enfield, Newburgh, Stetson, Veazie, Penobscot, Hancock, Gouldsboro, Prospect, Kenduskeag, Frankfort, Howland, Winn, Drew Plantation, Glenburn, East Millinocket, Searsport, and Winter Harbor.



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## MEMORANDUM

TO: MRC Membership  
FROM: Greg Louder  
DATE: July 21, 2016  
RE: **Regular Meeting of MRC Board of Directors – July 27, 2016**

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### **Upcoming Meeting**

Please find enclosed an agenda for the upcoming meeting of the MRC Board of Directors to be held at the City of Orono Municipal Building on July 27, 2016 starting **at 10:00 a.m.**

**Beginning at 9 a.m. the Finance Committee will meet to discuss investments, the 2016 budget, the 2015 financial audit, finance reports/bills payable and allocation of available funds among designated reserve funds for the post-2018 period.**

The MRC Board wishes to extend an invitation to all member representatives to attend the upcoming Finance Committee meeting at 9 AM and Board of Directors meeting at 10 AM. To assist in our preparation, please contact Greg Louder at 866-254-3507 or 664-1700 if you plan to attend.

### **What's New**

The latest news on progress being made with MRC's Post 2018 Planning Process is provided in the attached Newsletter.

**PUBLIC MEETING - PLEASE POST**  
**MUNICIPAL REVIEW COMMITTEE, INC. (MRC)**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Orono Municipal Building, 59 Main Street, Orono, Maine - July 27, 2016 10:00 AM**

The MRC Finance Committee will meet at 9 AM to review the investment portfolio, the 2016 budget, the 2015 audit and year to date finance reports/bills payable and allocation of available funds among designated reserve funds for the post-2018 period.

**AGENDA**

1. 10:00 AM - Call to Order
2. Executive Session per 1 MRS 405(6)(e) Discussion with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding pending litigation with PERC's general partner USAE (ESTIMATED TO BE 30 MINUTUES IN DURATION)
3. Consideration of Minutes of April 27, 2016 Regular and July 11, 2016 Special Board of Directors Meetings
4. Consideration of Financial Statement & Bills Payable
5. Consideration of the audit of MRC Financial Statements for the calendar year ending December 31, 2015
6. Consideration of Transfer of Funds from the Tip Fee Stabilization Fund to the MRC Operating Fund consistent with the adopted 2016 MRC Capital Asset Management Budget to meet expenses associated with Existing PERC Infrastructure Retirement (USA E Litigation & Partnership Wind Up). Note: per Board policies, withdrawals from the Tip Fee Stabilization Fund require approval by Supermajority vote of the MRC Board of Directors.
7. Third Quarter 2016 Tipping Fee Calculation; trends in MSW deliveries
8. PERC Facility Operations Report – Hank Lang, PERC Plant Manager
9. Charter Municipality Asset Management Report – Custody Account, Tip Fee & Operating Budget Stabilization Funds, LP Interest/Bond Prepayment & 3rd Quarter Cash Distribution.
10. Status of Joining Members and Departing Municipalities (including those seeking extensions) as of June 30, 2016, and status of subsequent actions. Vote regarding determination of good cause shown for waiver of terms of re-admittance as a Joining Member for action after June 30, 2016, by members afforded additional time by voted decision of the MRC Board on July 11, 2016, pursuant to the Joinder Agreements, Section 4.3(d) and Exhibit B, Section 6.
11. Consideration of adjustment to the July 1, 2016, scheduled step increase in the Target Value Step Increase Plan and/or subsequent scheduled step increases.
12. Discussion of end-of-term provisions of the Waste Disposal Agreements, including (a) obligation of PERC to notify the MRC of any material adverse change or potential change in financial condition which in its opinion could result in a cessation of operations under Article XII. Paragraph C; and (b) option to purchase partnership interests in PERC at fair market value as of March 31, 2018, per Article XIX, Paragraph B. Discussion of terms under which Joining Members would offer to sell PERC limited partnership shares to the PERC General Partner, USAE, or to Departing Municipalities.

13. Update on acquisition of permits for the Fiberight project.
14. Update on status of and schedule of and requirements for Fiberight to achieve construction financing.
15. MRC actions related to Fiberight's financing, including (a) amendments to the Master Waste Supply Agreement and (b) amendment of the language of the Site Lease
16. Discussion of process for completing the next MRC steps in the development of the site for the Fiberight project, including:
  - 16.A. Infrastructure construction. – consideration of selection of construction contractor, approval of form of construction contract and conditions, approval of arrangements for wetlands mitigation, approval of form of security to be provided by Fiberight/Covanta prior to financial close as security for the MRC decision to proceed with site acquisition and infrastructure construction; other conditions precedent.
  - 16.B. authorization of expenditure of up to \$5.0 million of funds from the Tip Fee Stabilization Fund for site acquisition and infrastructure development; authorization to proceed with site acquisition; authorization to complete negotiation of and execute the Site Lease; authorization to issue a notice to proceed with infrastructure construction. Note: per Board policy, authorization of withdrawals from the Tip Fee Stabilization Fund require approval by a Supermajority vote of the MRC Board of Directors.

#### NOON BREAK

17. Executive Session per 1 MRS 405(6)(e) Discussion with legal counsel concerning legal rights and duties regarding potential construction contract negotiations
18. Adjourn  
**Members are welcome. Please call ahead 866-254-3507 or 664-1700 if you plan to attend.**



# NEWSLETTER

Municipal Review Committee | 395 State Street | Ellsworth, ME 04605 | [www.MRCMaine.org](http://www.MRCMaine.org)

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## Local, State & Federal Permits Approved

After more than a year of thorough review, the MDEP announced final permits for the MRC and Fibrighr on Friday, July 15. The Solid Waste, Air, Stormwater and Natural Resources Licenses are a fundamental part of the MRC's Plan for 2018 to provide recycling and MSW processing to over 100 Maine towns and cities starting in 2018. The US Army Corps of Engineers has also issued a permit for the proposed Hampden site. On Tuesday, July 19, the Hampden Planning Board approved Fibrighr and MRC's applications to construct the facility. These were the last approvals needed before construction can begin. This is a tremendous step forward in our development of a next generation MSW recycling and processing facility and we could not be more thrilled.

## PERC Makes Public Statements on Shutting Down Its Boilers, Building a Dirty MRF and Increasing Landfill Disposal

MRC continues to be concerned with PERC's post 2018 plans and the feasibility of their proposed operations. USA Energy, PERC's private partner, has now made public statements about operating the facility as a "dirty MRF" mixed waste processing facility if it doesn't have enough trash to operate as a waste to energy facility. USA Energy has stated they can quickly convert the PERC plant to this type of facility, ignoring the reality (first explored by the MRC in 2013) that a true proposal for conversion of the PERC facility would involve significant design and engineering effort, and would require millions of dollars to purchase and install new equipment. Converting PERC to a conventional dirty MRF facility would increase the percentage of waste going to landfill. Approximately 70-80% of incoming MSW would need landfill disposal, which is significantly more than the 20% Fibrighr will send or the 30% PERC currently sends.

Although towns having only about 30,000 tons per year of trash have indicated interest in staying at PERC after 2018, PERC has stated it plans to obtain 210,000 tons of waste to remain a waste to energy facility, and plans to use a "boiler cycling" strategy where plant operations would be reduced at night and ramped back up to generate electricity during the day in an attempt to increase revenues. While sounding plausible, this method of operation will increase maintenance costs to levels not included in PERC's proposed pro forma.

The boiler cycling would also burn significantly more fuel oil than current operations just to keep the boilers warm. Yet PERC's 2018 pro forma assumes a 20% decrease in fuel oil expenses compared to past experience. Another issue relates to assumed electricity revenue. PERC's pro forma uses an average of 4.7 cents per kilowatt hour, yet the average wholesale price for electricity for the last six months was 2.4 cents per kilowatt hour.

It is clear that important elements underlying PERC's pro forma simply are not credible.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, July 27  
9:00 AM  
Finance Committee Meeting  
59 Main Street, Orono Municipal  
Building, Orono, Maine

Wednesday, July 27  
10:00 AM  
Regular Board of Directors Meeting  
59 Main Street, Orono Municipal  
Building, Orono, Maine

## THANK YOU!



**99,678  
Tons**

Committed



**106  
Communities**

The MRC has commitments from enough communities for Fibrighr to trigger financing for the facility. The MRC conducted and shared an in-depth analysis of the pro forma for a smaller facility than originally projected and confirmed Fibrighr's profitability. This review is available on our website: <http://mrcmaine.org/>



## What's Next?

After eight months of informational meetings and council, disposal district, and town meeting votes, the MRC is shifting its focus to ensuring the timely construction and operation of the facility. In the next few months the MRC expects to exercise its option to purchase the site in Hampden, Fiberight to close on equity financing, and the road construction to begin. As always, we will keep you updated.

## Update from Fiberight

Fiberight CEO Craig Stuart-Paul is now a familiar face to many Mainers who are following the MSW landscape in our state. In addition to speaking at many town and council meetings, Craig has been working in Virginia and behind the scenes on a number of accomplishments. Fiberight installed and successfully commissioned a continuous pulper at Fiberight's Virginia plant to properly test the design configuration for the Hampden project. Fiberight has also secured letters of intent for sales of products to be produced at the facility and anticipates securing a process insurance bond. Fiberight will be operating its Virginia plant for an extended period in July using the continuous pulper, a key requirement for securing this performance bond.

## Changes to Master Waste Supply Agreement

The MRC and Fiberight have drafted contract language to address the likelihood that Fiberight will build a smaller size facility than originally planned. At its July 27 meeting, the MRC Board will be discussing some of the potential changes to the Master Waste Supply Agreement including actual tonnage commitments and language to address concerns raised regarding unacceptable waste and flow control invalidation. The MRC strongly encourages member input during this process so your comments can be considered before the document is finalized.

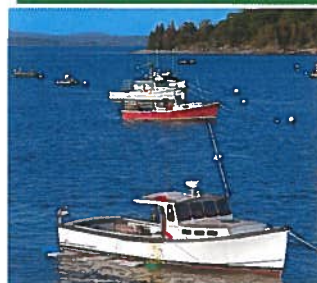
## June 30 deadline waived for some communities

At a Special Board Meeting on July 11, the MRC Board granted waivers to the June 30 deadline to Blue Hill/Surry and Bucksport/Orland. The new deadline for those four towns to vote to join the MRC is July 30, 2016. Due to the overwhelming public outreach and campaign, the Board also granted the MidCoast Solid Waste Corporation a waiver of the deadline until August 30, 2016 to sign-up with the MRC. If these communities sign-up before July 30 or August 30 they will receive the full financial benefits of the MRC Plan. Fiberight confirmed that these waivers will not have an impact on the development schedule of the facility. MRC appreciates the efforts of those who were able to conform to our deadlines. Allowing additional time for these towns to sign the Joinder Agreement and committing to Fiberight will make us a stronger group moving forward.

## ABOUT THE MRC

The Municipal Review Committee (MRC) is a non-profit association of Maine communities led by an elected, volunteer board of directors. For more than 25 years, the member communities of the Municipal Review Committee (MRC), now numbering more than 180 cities and towns, have used the PERC waste-to-energy incinerator in Orrington to process their municipal solid waste (MSW). After 2018, the contracts that made the PERC relationship work will expire and PERC will no longer be an economically viable option. The MRC has partnered with Fiberight to offer an innovative solution to recycle and process our MSW post 2018.

Visit [www.mrcmaine.org](http://www.mrcmaine.org) or contact Greg Lounder at 207-664-1700 or [glounder@mrcmaine.org](mailto:glounder@mrcmaine.org) to learn more about the Municipal Review Committee and to add your name to our e-mail contact list.



### JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST & FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

MRC regularly sends updates and announcements by email to those who have signed up for our alerts. We also have active Facebook and Twitter accounts, and we've posted informative videos from recent

meetings on our YouTube account. All of these are accessible from the homepage of our website, [mrcmaine.org](http://mrcmaine.org).



August 2, 2016

## A BRAND NEW DAY FOR DYNEGY

Today is a milestone in Dynegy's history. We unveiled a new brand today in recognition of how far the Company has come and where we are headed. Dynegy is a much different company today—a Company that is moving forward and upward and one that believes transparency and reliability are at the heart of our dynamic energy company.

### **A new brand to reflect our Company**

The brand, which features a bird on a soaring trajectory under a boundless sky, is also a "D" monogram that represents the Company's strength and reliability you can count on when needed.

### **The brand has changed because Dynegy has changed**

Just as Dynegy's core business is to transform a fuel source into energy and sell that energy, Dynegy has also been transformed over the years. We have changed and grown in many important ways:

- We will soon employ more than 3,600 people across the country—mostly in Illinois, Ohio, Texas and across the Northeast.
- We own generating plants capable of generating enough electricity to power 30 million homes.
- We have new retail electricity businesses in Illinois and Ohio that serve nearly one million residential customers and 38,000 commercials, industrial and municipal customers.

### **Some things never change**

**We remain Dynegy.** Dynegy stands for dynamic energy and we remain dynamic and unsatisfied with "good enough." Our name is built on being dynamic as are our people – it is part of our DNA. We are never satisfied with "good enough" and we will always change and work harder to better serve our customers and our employees and the communities where we do business.

**We remain responsible and transparent.** To us, transparency is about always doing what is right and holding ourselves accountable to our stakeholders. While our business may be complex, there is nothing complex about honesty.

**We remain committed to powering our communities.** Dynegy provides high-quality jobs that sustain families and grow thriving communities. We respect the environment and make investments to reduce our impact.

I hope you share my enthusiasm for our new brand and agree that it represents both who we are today and who we want to be in the future. We look forward to our continued relationship with you. Please explore more about who Dynegy is today at our new website, [www.dynegy.com](http://www.dynegy.com).

Sincerely,

President and CEO





**Veazie School Administrative Unit**  
**1040 School Street**  
**Veazie, Maine 04401**  
Telephone (207) 947-6573

TO: Veazie School Committee

FROM: Matthew Cyr, Principal  
Richard A. Lyons, Superintendent of Schools

DATE: August 1, 2016

SUBJECT: **School Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Veazie Community School Library**

**AGENDA**

- I. Call of the Roll
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 7, 2016
- IV. Adjustment to Agenda
- V. Persons Desiring to Address the Committee
- VI. Acknowledgements
- VII. A. Board Chair

VIII. Personnel

- A. Resignations
- B. Nominations

IX. Principal Report (Exhibit)

- A. Discuss policy JICA Bullying

X. Superintendent Report

- A. Workshop: Rules and Responsibilities of a school board member
- B. November Referendum

XI. New Business

- A.

XII. Old Business

XIII. Board Policy (All with Exhibits)

- A. Discussion and first reading of policy AC, Nondiscrimination
- B. Discussion and first reading of policy DJH, Purchasing and Contracting
- C. Discussion and first reading of policy ACAB, Transgender Student Guidelines
- D. Discuss and act on second reading and adoption of Policy GCQC, Resignation of Employees

XIV. Request for Information

XV. Executive Session

XVI. Next Meeting

XVII. Adjournment