Veazie Town Council Meeting

 September 14th, 2015

**Members Present**: Chairman Tammy Perry, Councilor Robert Rice, Councilor Karen Walker, Councilor David King, Manager Mark Leonard, Secretary Julie Strout, Andrew Brown, Kyle O’Connell, David Wihry and various members of the public.

**Members Absent**:

Councilor Chris Bagley was absent and excused

**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:**

Councilor Bagley was absent and excused

**ITEM 3: Pledge of Allegiance**

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

Chairman Perry wanted to change #12a to Quarterly Financial Review, #12b to Discussion about Principal Cyr and #12c to discuss the Orono/Veazie Water District.

**ITEM 5: Approval of the August 10th Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor Karen Walker to approve the August 10th, 2015 regular Council Meeting Minutes as written. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 6: Comments from the public**

None

**New Business:**

**ITEM 7: DARE Donation**

Kyle O’Connell who is a representative from the ADQ Foundation presented a donation of $1000 which was raised on behalf of Alex Quimby, to put towards the Veazie DARE program.

**ITEM 8: Transportation Survey Results**

David Wihry the project manager for the University of Maine Center of Aging updated the Council on the Transportation Survey results and answered questions. Mr. Wihry will provide Manager Leonard with a list of available resources and contact information so that it can be put in the newsletter.

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**ITEM 9: Conservation Commission Presentation**

Andrew Brown, Chair of the Conservation Commission presented the Council with a slide show to explain to the Council and public what land that the Penobscot Trust is wanting to transfer to the town. There were discussions for and against the transfer of the 28 acres of land which would include the new park.

The Councilor’s were all in agreement to move forward and will wait for the agreement from Penobscot River Restoration Trust.

The Councilor’s presented Suzanne Malis-Anderson with a plaque for appreciation for all the years of service on the Veazie Planning Board.

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor Karen Walker to move ahead and request a back bone agreement from PRRT so that it can be evaluated by both legal counsel and the Planning Board and authorize Manager Leonard to continue on the Councilor’s behalf. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 10: Voting credentials for MMA Annual Business Meeting**

Councilor Robert Rice made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King to designate Councilor Karen Walker as a voter at the MMA Annual Business Meeting and authorize Manager Leonard as the Municipal official designator to sign the MMA Voting Delegate Credentials form. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 11: Communications with Citizens**

Councilor Karen Walker made a motion, seconded by Councilor David King to table this item for a future meeting. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 12a: Quarterly Financial Review**

Councilors reviewed the quarterly figures and wanted to have Manager Leonard get the school’s financials for the next meeting.

**ITEM 12b: Discussion about Principal Cyr**

The Council would like to have Principal Cyr provide them with details of enrollment, visions & goals, a current staff list including teacher aids, student-teacher ratios, list of high school students and the current school ratings for the September 28th Council Meeting.

**ITEM 12c: Discussion about Orono/Veazie Water District**

The Council would like to have Boyd Smith answer these questions for the next meeting.

What are the plans for Veazie? Specifically Bangor water and Buck Hill mixer. When there will be a comprehensive plan, does he yet know what that will have regarding Veazie? What is the status of the new well sites?

**Old Business:**

**ITEM 13: Draft Goals & Objectives discussion**

The Council reviewed and discussed their goals and objectives for the Town. Manager Leonard will provide a final copy for the next meeting.

**ITEM 14: Manager’s Report**

Manager Leonard reviewed his report with the Councilor’s.

Councilor Karen Walker made a motion to paint, fix handicap ramp, put new boards in and a new door on the Community Center building. Motion withdrawn no second.

Councilor’s agreed to move forward with the replacement of the boards and a new ramp. Manager Leonard will provide updated quotes for painting the building by the September 28th Council Meeting.

**ITEM 15: Comments from the Public**

There were few comments made by citizens.

**ITEM 16: Requests for information and Town Council Comments**

There were few comments made by Councilor’s.

**ITEM 17: Review & sign of AP Town Warrant #4 & #5, and Town Payroll #4 & #5, School Payroll Warrant #4, #5 & #6 and AP School Warrant #4, #5 & #6.**

The warrants were circulated and signed.

**ITEM 18: Adjournment**

Councilor David King motioned to adjourn

Councilor Karen Walker seconded. No discussion. Voted 4-0-0.Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:46pm

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Julie Strout, Deputy Clerk