- Veazie Town Council Meeting

 October 23th, 2017

**Members Present**: Chairman Chris Bagley, Councilor Paul Messer, Councilor Michael Reid, Councilor Jeff Manter, Town Manager Mark Leonard, Council Secretary Julie Strout, Lt. Nicholas Sirois, Asst. Chief Pete Metcalf, Principal Matt Cyr, Assessor Ben Birch, Town Forester Dave Wardrop, Jon Parker from Black Bear Lawn Care, Shawn Casey from Casey’s Lawn Service and various members of the public.

**ITEM 1: Call to order**

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

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

Councilor Turcotte was absent and excused.

**ITEM 3: Pledge of Allegiance**

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

None

**ITEM 5: Approval of the September 25th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.**

Councilor Paul Messer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jeff Manter to approve the September 25th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as written. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

Councilor Turcotte was absent.

**ITEM 6: Comments from the public**

None

**New Business:**

**ITEM 7: Resolution Approval**

Councilor Paul Messer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Michael Reid to move that the Council adopt the “Resolution of the Town of Veazie, Maine authorizing issuance of a $300,000 2017 General Obligation Bond” as written and presented. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 8: Grant Application Authorization**

Councilor Paul Messer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jeff Manter to authorize the Fire Department to apply for the 2017 Assistance to Firefighter’s grant and further more state if the grant request is approved the Town of Veazie will accept the funding. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 9: Principal Presentation**

Matt Cyr shared his report with the Council.

**ITEM 10: Assessor Presentation**

Ben Birch shared his report with the Council.

**ITEM 11: Forester Presentation**

David Wardrop shared his slide presentation with the Council.

**ITEM 12: Ground Maintenance Contract Award**

Councilor Michael Reid made a motion, seconded by Councilor Jeff Manter to award the bid to Black Bear Lawn Care as presented in the bid packet and furthermore authorize Manager Leonard to prepare and enter into a contract with this company, including the optional items as well. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 13: RFP Policy Discussion**

Chairman Bagley had some recommendations for this policy:

Anything over $25,000 or multi year contracts should be put out to bid

Anything between $5,000 to $25,000 Council will be able to make the decision

Anything under $5,000 the Town Manager will be able to make the decision

Manager Leonard will work on new wording for this policy and will have it ready for the next meeting to review.

**Old Business:**

**ITEM 14: FY 17/18 Goals and Objectives Approval**

Councilor Michael Reid made a motion, seconded by Councilor Paul Messer to approve the 2017-2018 Goals and Objectives as presented. Voted 4-0-0. Motion carried.

**ITEM 15: Manager’s Report**

Manager Leonard reviewed his report with the Councilor’s.

**ITEM 16: Comments from the Public**

None

**ITEM 17: Requests for information and Town Council Comments**

None

**ITEM 18: Review & sign of AP Town Warrant #7, Town Payroll #7 & #8, School Payroll Warrant #7 & #8 and AP School Warrant #7 & #8.**

The warrants were circulated and signed.

**ITEM 19: Adjournment**

Councilor Michael Reid motioned to adjourn.

Councilor Paul Messer seconded. No discussion. Voted 4-0-0.Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:55pm

True Copy Attest

Julie Strout

Deputy Clerk