

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

The Assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilperson Fergot  
Councilperson Westover  
Councilperson Viens  
Councilperson Morrison  
Supervisor Tyler

Others present:

Keven Severance, DPW Superintendent  
Catherine L. Simmer, Town Clerk  
John Reynolds  
Mary Lou Fitzgerald  
Mary Godnick  
Lori Davis

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** John Reynold would like permission from the Town Board to apply for a mooring in Lake Champlain. The application is through the Army Corp of Engineers and the process requires a resolution from the Town Board. Joh has been sailing for more than 40 years. John has a 30-foot sailboat and will be using a 300 lb. mushroom anchor.

**RESOLUTION #63  
JOHN REYNOLDS MOORING APPLICATION**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, and seconded by Councilperson Westover, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes            Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the Army Corp Engineering application to moor a 30' boat in the bay with a 300 lb. mushroom anchor.

Supervisor Tyler presented Mary Lou Fitzgerald with a plaque in recognition of her 20 plus years of dedicated service to the Westport Planning Board.

The ADK Harvest Festival coordinators were present to discuss the ADK Harvest Festival and request support from the Town Board.

**RESOLUTION #64  
ADK HARVEST FESTIVAL \$3,500**

On a motion by Councilperson Morrison, and seconded by Councilperson Viens, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED to give the ADK Harvest \$3500.00.**

**DISCUSSION:** Boquet Valley Youth Commission submitted a list of meeting dates and locations from April – December 2024. Supervisor Tyler asked the Council members if anyone was interested in attending the meetings. Michael Fergot stated that he would attend the meetings.

**RESOLUTION #65  
APPROVE THE BILLS**

On a motion by Councilperson Westover, and seconded by Councilperson Fergot, and approved with a roll call vote.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve Abstract #8 for \$63,400.54; vouchers #151-181 and 184-185; and Abstract #9 for \$6,922.50; vouchers 182-183.

**RESOLUTION #66  
APPROVE PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**

On a motion by Councilperson Westover, and seconded by Councilperson Viens, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the March 12, 2024 Public Hearing minutes as presented.

**RESOLUTION #67**  
**APPROVE MINUTES**

On a motion by Councilperson Morrison, seconded by Councilperson Viens and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes            Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the March 12, 2024 Regular Board minutes as presented.

**RESOLUTION #68**  
**ADVERTISE TO HIRE AN ENGINEER FOR WESTPORT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT STUDY AND REPORT**

On a motion by Councilperson Westover, seconded by Councilperson Fergot and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes            Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to advertise a request for qualifications to hire an engineer to perform an engineering study and report at the Westport Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**RESOLUTION #69**  
**ACCEPT REPORT FOR WADHAMS WATER #1500295**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, and seconded by Councilperson Morrison, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes            Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to accept the Vulnerability Assessment and Emergency Response Plan compiled by John Crandall and Ryan Hall for the Wadhams Water #1500295.

**RESOLUTION #70**

**NEW RATES FOR WESTPORT SEWER DISTRICT 1**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, and seconded by Councilperson Westover, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the new rates for the Westport Sewer District 1 at \$334.00 per year per unit and \$40.00 O & M per customer.

**RESOLUTION #71**

**NEW RATES FOR WADHAMS WATER DISTRICT 3**

On a motion by Councilperson Westover, and seconded by Councilperson Morrison, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the new rates for Wadhams Water District 3 at \$400.00 per year.

**RESOLUTION #72**

**NEW RATES FOR WADHAMS WATER DISTRICT 2**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, and seconded by Councilperson Fergot, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the new rates for Wadhams Sewer District 2 at \$350.00 per year.

**DPW SUPERINTENDENT:** Mountain Spring Road is ready. The crew used the excavator to clear the way for construction. The surprise spring snowstorm is all cleaned up. The crew has requested a change of hours beginning May 1<sup>st</sup> they will be working from 6 am to 2:30 pm. Keven will monitor. The crew has been busy and they are ready to go as soon as the snow stops.

**RESOLUTION #73**

**DPW CREW TENTATIVE HOURS 6:00 AM – 2:30 PM (May 1- Aug. 31)**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, and seconded by Councilperson Westover, and approved with an all in favor.

5 Ayes Morrison, Viens, Westover, Fergot, Tyler

0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve tentative hours for the DPW crew from 6:00 am – 2:30 pm from May 1 to August 31, 2024. Keven Severance, DPW Superintendent has the authority to return to regular hours, if needed.

**SUPERVISOR TYLER:** We have been working with FEMA on Mountain Spring Road.

**COUNCILPERSON VIENS:** Is there an update on the truck? Keven said late April, early May. The truck is in Connecticut now. **COUNCILPERSON FERGOT** asked what is the life expectancy of a truck. Keven said we are on a three to four-year rotation to purchase a truck and they generally last about 12 years.

**SUPERVISOR TYLER:** The Town Board is in receipt of communication from Charter. The Town Board has received a Notice of the Start of Construction for Lake Champlain Pre-Lay Mattressing for the Champlain Hudson Power Express Project. We are in receipt of a response from the APA for Resolution #40 from the Town of Westport regarding the Cranberry and Star Lake cell towers.

**COUNCILPERSON FERGOT** has requested the Town Board review a resolution to “Support a Strong Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act and Expand the State’s Bottle Bill.” This will be discussed at the next meeting.

**COUNCILPERSON MORRISON** would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and a Happy Eclipse.

**RESOLUTION #74**

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilperson Morrison, seconded by Councilperson Westover and approved by all in favor to adjourn the meeting at 3:41 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Catherine L. Simmer  
Town Clerk