

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Tyler at 6:33 p.m.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilperson Brankman
Councilperson Kirkby (Excused)
Councilperson Viens
Councilperson Morrison
Supervisor Tyler

Others present:

Dennie Westover, Highway Superintendent
Catherine L. Simmer, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #186
APPROVAL OF BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

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

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison, Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the October 8, 2021 budget meeting as received.

RESOLUTION #187
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison, Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the October 26, 2021 regular meeting as received.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comment.

YOUTH COMMISSION: No new information.

**RESOLUTION #188
APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion by Councilperson Brankman, seconded by Councilperson Viens, and approved with a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison, Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to authorize the payment of bills on Abstract #28 in the amount of \$17,142.82 for Vouchers 590-613.

THE TOWN BOARD IS IN RECEIPT OF OCTOBER MONTHLY REPORTS FOR:

Westport Town Court
Westport Town Clerk's
Westport Town Supervisor Report

DISCUSSION: Discussion about the purchase of a new grader. The Board discussed grader selection and funds for purchasing new equipment.

**RESOLUTION #189
PURCHASE CATERPILLAR 140 LVR GRADER**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, seconded by Councilperson Morrison, and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison, Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to purchase a Caterpillar 140 LVR Grader for \$247,774.00 from Melton CAT.

**RESOLUTION #190
APPOINT BOQUET VALLEY YOUTH COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS**

On a motion by Councilperson Morrison, seconded by Councilperson Brankman, and approved on an all in favor vote.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to appoint Amy Conner, Shannon Bauman, David Napper, Micah Stewart, Paul Pulsifer, Donna Bennett, Dana Daniels and Sara Smith to the Boquet Valley Youth Commission Board.

DISCUSSION: Supervisor Tyler has requested the Board accept Dennis Westover's retirement as of January 28, 2022. COUNCILPERSON BRANKMAN thanked Dennie for his years of service and the Board echoed his appreciation. COUNCILPERSON VIENS told Dennie "you deserve it" and the Board echoed his sentiments.

**RESOLUTION #191
DENNIS WESTOVER RETIREMENT**

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, seconded by Councilperson Brankman, and approved on an all in favor vote.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept Dennis Westover's retirement as the Town of Westport's Department of Public Works Superintendent effective January 28, 2022.

DISCUSSION: Supervisor Tyler would like to propose a resolution for the 2022 Budget now since everything is completed and the public hearing has been held.

**RESOLUTION #192
FINAL TOWN BUDGET 2022**

On a motion by Councilperson Brankman, seconded by Councilperson Morrison, and approved on a roll call vote.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED approve the Final Town Budget for 2022.

DPW SUPERINTENDANT REPORT: Asked the Board when they thought the position for DPW Superintendent would be advertised? SUPERVISOR TYLER stated they would advertise after the next meeting on November 23rd. The Board is hoping to have a candidate selected by the end of December. This would give the candidate time to work with Dennie before he retires. The winter sand has all been hauled. Dennie has been working with Stacey Pulsifer to work out a solution for the gas tanks. The Town has a 2000-gallon tank for diesel that is used by the Highway Department and the Fire Department, 1000-gallon tank that is used by the shop and the school and a 650-gallon tank of gasoline. The school is using more gasoline since they have less vehicles that run on diesel. The Board had a lengthy discussion with Dennie about how to resolve the gas issue. They need more gasoline than diesel at his point. The wood boiler at the shop is in need of significant repairs. The inside of the boiler is all burnt up. It needs about \$6,000.00 worth of work. A new wood boiler will cost \$20,000.00 and won't be available until mid- December at the earliest. It would be a gamble to count on a new boiler being

available and installed before the weather turns. Lengthy discussion about the wood boiler issue. The Board decided they need to repair the boiler for now.

**RESOLUTION #193
HIGHWAY GARAGE WOOD BOILER REPAIR**

On a motion by Councilperson Brankman, seconded by Councilperson Viens, and approved on an all in favor vote.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

RESOLVED to repair the highway garage wood boiler for up to \$7,000.00.

COUNCILPERSON MORRISON would like to thank all of our Veterans. Remember to thank a Veteran.

**RESOLUTION #194-A
ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilperson Morrison and a unanimous second the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

4 Ayes Brankman, Morrison, Viens, Tyler
0 Nays

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Catherine L. Simmer, Town Clerk