

Minutes of the Regular Town of Westport Board Meeting on October 14, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Supervisor Paquette at 7:00 p.m.

The Assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilperson Page
Councilperson Viens
Councilperson McCormick (arrived at 7:15 p.m.)
Deputy Supervisor Paquette

Excused: Supervisor Connell

Others present:

Julie Schreiber, Deputy Town Clerk
George Hainer, Zoning & Codes Officer
Dennis Westover, DPW Superintendent
Charles Russell, Westport Revitalization Committee
Philip Siarkowski, James Hermann, Keven Severance, Shami McCormick, Terry Atwell, Tyler Atwell

RESOLUTION #217 MINUTES SEPTEMBER 23, 2014

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

3 Ayes Page, Viens, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the September 23, 2014 Regular Town Board Meeting as received.

RESOLUTION #218 MINUTES SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

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

3 Ayes Page, Viens, Paquette
0 Nays

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RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the September 22, 2014 Special Town Board Meeting as received.

RESOLUTION #219
MINUTES SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

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

3 Ayes Page, Viens, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the September 30, 2014 Special Town Board Meeting as received.

RESOLUTION #220
MINUTES OCTOBER 8, 2014

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

3 Ayes Page, Viens, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the October 8, 2014 Special Town Board Meeting as received.

CHARLES RUSSELL, WESTPORT REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE – The three subcommittees will provide separate updates to the board. The Main Street Project conducted a survey of commercial properties and is focusing on ways to attract new businesses or non-profits to the area. The Heritage House Project is divided into building and grounds, programming, and development committees and they hope to become an arts and cultural hub for the region. The Fair Grounds Project plans to extend the agricultural uses of the property and host more events (e.g. flea markets, craft fairs, antique car shows, motorcycle rallies).

FORESTRY BIDS - One Timber Bid was received from Prentiss & Carlisle for \$31,013.

RESOLUTION #221
TIMBER BID

On a motion by Councilperson Page, seconded by Councilperson McCormick and approved on a roll call vote.

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4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to check with Thomas Gilman of Fountain Forestry on the value of the bid before making a decision to accept or reject it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDING COMMITTEE – Are checking on two building plan and getting ideas from VIA. They will meet with the Fire Committee soon to decide which plan to move forward with.

YOUTH COMMISSION – Cancelled last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

BEAUTIFICATION – Meeting October 16th at 8:00 a.m.

UNION NEGOTIATIONS – The town made a proposal to the union and received a counter proposal in return.

HERITAGE HOUSE – Contract still on hold.

DEER PERMITS – 12 antlerless deer permits have been received. Deputy Supervisor Paquette will speak to Thomas Gilman on how to ensure that these tags are only used on the watershed property. Then a decision will be made on how to allocate the permits, giving priority to Westport residents.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #222
BUDGET AMENDMENT

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to increase revenue account DA 2300.3.39 from \$1,200 to \$2,084.68 and increase account DA 51104.3.37 from \$1,200 to \$2,084.68; and to increase revenue account SS2 2660.10 Sale of Real Property from \$0 to \$3,096.75 and increase account SS2 81304.10 Treatment/Disposal from \$3,700 to \$6,796.75.

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RESOLUTION #223
BUDGET TRANSFERS

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to authorize the following budget transfers:

From A19904.1 Contingency \$2,000	To A1410.1 Town Clerk PS
From DA51104.3 General Repairs \$400	To DA5148 Service to Others
From SS281202.10 Equip/Admin \$1,500	To SS28310.4 Treat/Disposal
From SS381202.11 Equipment \$50	To SS381101.11 Administration
From SS381202.11 Equipment \$500	To SS381304.11 Treat/Disposal
From SW383102.13 Admin \$200	To SW383104.13 Admin

MET-RECY LETTER – The Town received a letter stating that Met-Recy Ltd. will no longer provide paid services to the town. Supervisor Connell was to inquire at the County Building as to what other towns plan to do.

RESOLUTION #224
COMPUTER POLICIES

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to adopt the Internet and Acceptable Use Policy, the Computer System Security Breach Notification Policy, and the Computer & Data Disaster Recovery Policy.

RESOLUTION #225
APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

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RESOLVED to authorize the payment of bills on Abstract 10A in the amount of \$72,936.10 for Vouchers 2014-613 through 2014-646.

RESOLUTION #226
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the Town Clerk's September report.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Annual hearing tests are being done and will cost \$18 per employee. The Highway Department is not bidding on sand as they can buy it from the Lewis Quarry at the same price as last year. The cost should be between \$8,200 and \$8,300. Salt prices have increased 23% to \$77.27/ton but should still fit in this year's budget. In response to a sewer plant violation from last spring, one SDR tank is being cleaned. The DEC inspection was passed. Dennie invited PESH to the shop to conduct yearly training. He received an estimate for the loaders and recommended selling the 1996-JD 644G (valued at \$18,000). It will be listed on Municibid and Craigslist for 10 days.

RESOLUTION #227
TIMBER CONTRACT

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to accept the timber contract and check from the A. Johnson Company.

RESOLUTION #228
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

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RESOLVED to enter Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

RESOLUTION #229
CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

4 Ayes Page, Viens, McCormick, Paquette
0 Nays

RESOLVED to close Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

RESOLUTION #230
ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilperson Viens, with a unanimous second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Julie Schreiber, Deputy Town Clerk