

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on November 27, 2012

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

The Assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilman Paquette
Councilman McCormick
Supervisor Connell

Members absent:

Councilman Tyler
Councilman Sherman

Others present:

Sheila Borden, Town Clerk
Dennis Westover, DPW Superintendent
Bruce Misarski, Fire Commissioner
John McWilliam, Katherine Clark-Valley News, Gerald Goulet

RESOLUTION #225 MINUTES NOVEMBER 13, 2012

On a motion by Councilman Paquette seconded by Councilman McCormick and approved on a roll call vote.

3 Ayes Paquette, McCormick, Connell
0 Nays

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 13, 2012 be approved as received.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bruce Misarski, Fire Commissioner, spoke on behalf on the Westport Fire District stating that their committee met last week and did discuss the “concept” of a joint DPW/Fire Department building and he was present to state that the District is in favor on moving forward with this “concept”. The need is certainly still there and they feel it to be the most economical and beneficial avenue to look at.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

YOUTH COMMISSION – Councilman McCormick reported that sign-up is currently taking place for the ski program and that they were extending the deadline for turning in paperwork for the scholarship applications.

TAX COMMITTEE – nothing at this time

OLD BUSINESS

WADHAMS WATER – We have received a call from the engineer and our discussions are now with the Bond Counsel as to whom is responsible. No matter what-we have to go ahead and get the pump operating.

HIGHWAY GARAGE UPDATE – nothing further at this time

TOWN HALL BUILDING UPDATE – nothing further at this time

HAMLET EXPANSION PROJECT – We were supposed to have the information in November.

CEMETERY ON OLD ARSENAL ROAD – nothing this evening

WESTPORT REVITALIZATION PROJECT – Supervisor Connell has spoken with Carol Calabrese and she expects to have a meeting next week.

CHAMPLAIN NATIONAL BANK LITIGATION – The valuation is being done.

SEWER CHARGES – The discussion with Mr. Mann will take place soon.

NEW BUSINESS

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RESOLUTION #226
STANDARD MEDICAL SERVICES CONTRACT

On a motion by Councilman McCormick seconded by Councilman Paquette and approved on a roll call vote.

3 Ayes Paquette, McCormick, Connell
0 Nays

RESOLVED to enter into the contract with Standard Medical Services for drug testing after discussion and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

RESOLUTION #227
APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS

On a motion by Councilman Paquette seconded by Councilman McCormick and approved on a roll call vote.

3 Ayes Paquette, McCormick, Connell
0 Nays

RESOLVED to authorize the following budget transfers:

\$400	From A1990.4 Contingency	To A1110.4 Justices
\$2000	From A1990.4 Contingency	To A5132.4 Garage
\$2000	From DA5142.4 Snow Removal	To DA5130.1 Machinery
\$1300	From SS1 8130.4.9.47 Engineer	To SS1 8120.4 Sanitary Sewers
\$20	From SS3 1990.4 Contingency	To SS3 9030.8 Soc. Security
\$200	From SW3 9710.6.13 Debt Ser.	To SW3 8340.1 Engineering

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RESOLUTION #228
APPROVAL OF BILLS

On a motion by Councilman Paquette seconded by Councilman McCormick and approved on a roll call vote.

3 Ayes Paquette, McCormick, Connell
0 Nays

RESOLVED to authorize the payment of bills on Abstract 11B for Vouchers 2012-643 through Vouchers 2012-657 in the amount of \$106,892.95.

TOWN CLERK'S OCTOBER REPORT – Supervisor Connell is in receipt of the Town Clerk's October report and supporting documents.

CONTRACT FOR SNOW & ICE ON STATE HIGHWAYS

RESOLUTION #229
AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN CONTRACT NO DPW-17-0016

On a motion by Councilman McCormick seconded by Councilman Paquette and approved on a roll call vote.

3 Ayes Paquette, McCormick, Connell
0 Nays

RESOLVED to authorize Supervisor Connell to sign the Subcontract for Support Services to NYS in Connection with control of Snow & Ice on State Highways – Contract # DPW-17-0016.

SECOND MEETING IN DECEMBER – At our next meeting we will discuss changing the date of our second meeting since it happens to fall on Christmas Day.

POSTING EXPIRING POSITIONS – It was the consensus of the Board to advertise positions on the Planning Board, Zoning Board etc., which will be expiring at the end of the year.

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DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – DENNIS WESTOVER

There is a meeting tomorrow with representatives regarding the pump at the Schwoebel Pump Station. The new mower was ordered and should be here on Thursday.

I have requested quotes on the broom from the following: Peru Farm Center, Capital Tractor, Yandows, Mt. View Equipment, Champlain Valley Equipment and Arrowhead.

RESOLUTION #230
AUTHORIZATION FOR DPW SUPERINTENDENT TO AWARD MOWER BID

On a motion by Councilman Paquette seconded by Councilman McCormick and approved on a roll call vote.

3 Ayes Paquette, McCormick, Connell
0 Nays

RESOLVED to authorize the DPW Superintendent after receiving the quotes to award the bid on the broom that meets the specifications.

Out of our four plow trucks we have three ready to go and are working on the fourth plus the men have been out chipping brush along the roadsides.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

RESOLUTION #231
CONDOLENCES TO THE FLOYD FAMILY

The following resolution was moved by Councilman McCormick with a unanimous second and carried.

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**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE
TO THE FAMILY OF
CARL R. FLOYD**

WHEREAS, Carl R. Floyd passed away on November 18, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Carl R. Floyd was born on July 24, 1927 in Westport, New York to Justin and Mattie (Decker) Floyd; and

WHEREAS, Carl R. Floyd for 31 years ran his own milk hauling business and unselfishly served the citizens of Westport as a Village Trustee for 20 years and the Mayor of Westport for 14 years. Carl also joined the Westport Fire Department in 1956 and resigned in good standing in 2005. He also worked for the Essex County Highway Department for 3 years and finally the NYS Department of Transportation for 7 years.

WHEREAS, Carl R. Floyd enjoyed many hours fiddling, traveling, fishing, and hunting. He also had a firm commitment to his memberships in the Keeseville Elks Lodge, the Westport Fire Department and the Westport Emergency Squad.

WHEREAS, Carl R. Floyd was married to Theresa Bezio Floyd and they had two children, a daughter Tammy (Bigelow) and a son Alan.

WHEREAS, Carl was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle and friend who will be sorely missed but will never be forgotten.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Westport Town Board hereby express and extend their deepest sympathy and condolences to the family of Carl R. Floyd.

RESOLUTION #232
ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilman McCormick with a unanimous second the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted
Sheila A. Borden, Town Clerk