

## **Minutes of the Regular Town of Westport Board Meeting on December 10, 2013**

Supervisor Connell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilman Tyler (excused for training)  
Councilman Paquette  
Councilman Sherman  
Councilman McCormick (entered 7:05 p.m.)  
Supervisor Connell

Others present:

Steve Viens, Councilman Elect  
Sheila Borden, Town Clerk  
Dennis Westover, Highway and DPW Superintendent  
Brian Larose, Nancy Page, Gerald Goulet

### **RESOLUTION #249 MINUTES NOVEMBER 26, 2013**

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

3 Ayes Paquette, Sherman, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the November 26<sup>th</sup> regular meeting as received.

### **RESOLUTION #250 MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 2013**

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

4 Ayes Paquette, Sherman, McCormick, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting for the Report of the Westport Revitalization Committee.

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**RESOLUTION #251**  
**MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 2, 2013**

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

4 Ayes Paquette, Sherman, McCormick, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting of the report of Vermont Integrated Architecture as the notes taken by Andrea Murray as attached.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BUILDING RENOVATION COMMITTEE** – Councilman McCormick reported that the next meeting is on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> with the DPW and Fire District at 4:00 p.m.

**YOUTH COMMISSION** – Councilman Sherman stated that some supplies and uniform shirts have been ordered.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**HAMLET EXPANSION** – Mr. Johnston continues to consult with the attorney and the “PUD” has been forwarded to the lawyer.

**WESTPORT REVITALIZATION** – Supervisor Connell met with Charles Russell and learned that they are going to form sub committees interested in the three separate areas that were outlined. So they are now looking for persons with interests in those particular avenues.

**BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION** – Several members of the committee have items that we are currently working on. Our next meeting is January 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.

**WADHAMS WASTEWATER** – Water Quality Improvement Project

**RESOLUTION #252**  
**Municipal Resolution**  
Water Quality Improvement Projects and  
Nonagricultural Nonpoint Source Projects  
Municipal Resolution

Resolution authorizing the items listed below pursuant to the Bond Acts enacted in 1965, 1972 and 1996 and the Environmental Protection Fund, as well as federal grant awards available for such projects.

WHEREAS, Town of Westport

herein called the "Municipality", after thorough consideration of the various aspects of the problem and study of available data, has hereby determined that certain work, as described in its application and attachments, herein called the "Project", is desirable, is in the public interest, and is required in order to implement the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL") authorizes State assistance to municipalities for water quality improvement projects by means of a contract and the Municipality deems it to be in the public interest and benefit under this law to enter into a contract therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Westport Town Board

1. That Daniel W. Connell, Town Supervisor  
  
or such person's successor in office, is the representative authorized to act in behalf of the Municipality's governing body in all matters related to State assistance under ECL Articles 17, 51 and 56 and/or any applicable federal grant provisions. The representative is also authorized to make application, execute the State Assistance Contract, submit Project documentation, and otherwise act for the Municipality's governing body in all matters related to the Project and to State assistance;
2. That the Municipality agrees that it will fund its portion of the cost of the Project and that funds will be available to initiate the Project's field work within twelve (12) months of written approval of its application by the Department of Environmental Conservation;
3. That one (1) certified copy of this Resolution be prepared and sent to the Albany office of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
4. That this Resolution take effect immediately.

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

4 Ayes Paquette, Sherman, McCormick, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approved the above resolution on the Water Quality Improvement Project.

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**REQUEST FROM BILL PALMER** – Which is still on hold.

**MATT FOLEY REQUEST** – The next step is it will be going to the Planning Board.

**POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENT** – Supervisor Connell has received a sample agreement for anyone to review.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESIGNATION COUNCILMAN MICHAEL TYLER** – Received effective December 31, 2013 due to his election as Westport Town Justice.

**PROPOSED CROSSWALKS** – The Clerk was asked to read a letter from Mark Kennedy, Regional Traffic Engineer, NYS Department of Transportation in reference to placing proposed crosswalks on Route 9N west of the intersection of Route 22 and on Route 22 at the intersection of Sisco Street.

They had done investigations and found both areas to be adequate and will arrange to have crosswalks and appropriate pedestrian warning signs installed as their workload permits.

**DIG SAFELY** – A report was received on the “Dig Safely” responses that Dennie will check into and get an explanation on.

**RESOLUTION #253**  
**AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS**

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

4 Ayes Paquette, Sherman, McCormick, Connell  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to authorize the payment of bills on Abstract 12A in the amount of \$33,720.27 for Vouchers 2013-704 through 2013-742.

**DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – DENNIS WESTOVER**

The thermostat was bad in one truck and the County fixed it and we got it back yesterday. The pump station by Conley’s in Wadhams is completely down. We’ve had to have someone come in and pump it out. We took the one out of the station by Moore’s for the time being. Dennie will do some research to try to find another one as a back up.

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**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS**

**COUNCILMAN'S COMMENTS**

Councilman Elect Viens will be unable to attend the January conference.

**RESOLUTION #254**

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilman Paquette with a unanimous second the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted  
Sheila A. Borden, Town Clerk