

## Minutes of the Town of Westport Regular Board Meeting on November 22, 2016

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

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilperson Page  
Councilperson Paquette  
Councilperson Morrison  
Councilperson Viens  
Supervisor Tyler

Others present:

Julie Schreiber, Town Clerk  
Dennie Westover, DPW Superintendent  
Ed Mason, Youth Commission Director  
Chris Maron and Dan Keegan, Beautiful Westport Committee  
Keven Severance, James Herrmann, Heidi Sweet, Herb Clark

### **RESOLUTION #211 MINUTES NOVEMBER 7, 2016**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the November 7, 2016 Regular Board Meeting as received.

**BEAUTIFUL WESTPORT COMMITTEE REPORT** – Chris Maron spoke about the junk car issue. The committee has put together a plan to address this. The plan lists pertinent town laws, a four-step removal process, and a proposed timeline. Dan Keegan said this is a process of building awareness of laws and standards, and the town will seem more appealing.

Councilperson Paquette had concerns about possible legal costs and what would be done about other junk items. Chris replied that the focus is on cars because the law is clearly defined, whereas other items would be open to interpretation.

Councilperson Page said that it's important to note that this is the removal of *visible* cars. She also mentioned the need to be conscious about demolition derby cars.

Dan added that the Committee will have a more robust spring cleaning next year. They will bring a proposal to the board in the near future.

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**PICKUP TRUCK BIDS** – The following three bids were received:

**West Herr** \$19,068

**Goss Dodge** New truck: \$26,984  
Trade allowance: \$13,000  
Net Price: \$13,984

**Egglefield Bros.** New truck: \$38,785  
Trade allowance: \$25,233  
Net price: \$13,902  
Net price w/ NYS inspection & DOC fee: \$13,987

**RESOLUTION #211**  
**PICKUP TRUCK BID**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to authorize Councilperson Viens and Dennie Westover to review the bids and choose the best option.

**TIMBER BIDS** – The following three bids were received:

Herb Clark: \$18,806  
G Atkins Trucking LLC: \$21,430.43  
Prentiss & Carlisle Mgt. Co. Inc: \$23,801

**RESOLUTION #213**  
**TIMBER BID**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to authorize Supervisor Tyler and the forester to review and award the bid.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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**YOUTH COMMISSION, ED MASON** – Ed attended two county meetings this month that discussed the Stop DWI program and the upcoming Bidy Basketball season. A ski program sign-up will be held on December 7. The Youth Commission Board has found two members to fill their vacancies.

**RESOLUTION #214**  
**YOUTH COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to approve the appointment of Kristen Carothers and Ashley Duke to the Youth Commission Board.

**TOWN HALL RENOVATION** – Bids are out and the deadline is December 16. A mandatory meeting for all bidders will be held on November 30. The tentative construction start date is February 1.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION #215**  
**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to authorize the payment of bills on Abstract 11B in the amount of \$87,944.74 for Vouchers 2016-612 through 2016-631.

**RESOLUTION #216**  
**ASSOC OF TOWNS MEETING**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

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**RESOLVED** to authorize Supervisor Tyler to attend the Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages meeting on December 4-5, 2016 and pay his actual and necessary expenses.

**RESOLUTION #217**  
**UNION SICK TIME**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to authorize Supervisor Tyler to sign the Memorandum of Understanding, allowing union employees to donate sick and personal time to another employee in cases of hardship.

**RESOLUTION #218**  
**SURPLUS**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to declare the following items surplus: ping pong table #175, ball toss game #176, foosball game #173, pool table, and piano.

**RESOLUTION #219**  
**BUDGET TRANSFERS**

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

5 Ayes Page, Paquette, Viens, Morrison, Tyler  
0 Nays

**RESOLVED** to authorize the following budget transfers:  
\$100 from 19304.1 Judgements to 19204.1 Municipal Assoc.  
\$4,000 from 51302.3 Machinery EQ to 51404.3 Brush & Weeds CE  
\$1,000 from 81202.9 Equipment to 81304.9 Treatment/Disposal  
\$100 from 83101.13.49 Administration to 83104.13 Administration

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**GREEN ENERGY GRANTS** – Supervisor Tyler will bring this to the next meeting.

**DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT** – The loader was picked up and the buyer is very satisfied with it. The highway crew is cutting a lot of brush and working on small projects. Dennie will acquire a firm trade in value for the excavator; the listing on the auction site did not reach the reserve amount.

**SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS** – Electric accounts have been changed to Ambit Energy and this will take two billing cycles to take effect.

Barbara Breyette submitted a letter to the board addressing her last day of employment. She thanked the board and stated that it was a pleasure to serve the citizens for 35 years. Supervisor Tyler noted that there was a small change to this; Barbara’s last day will be December 16.

There is a problem with disposable wipes at the Wadhams pump station. Only two houses are connected to this, but the entire district would be responsible for any repairs.

Supervisor Tyler suggested sending a letter to these two homes. He will bring a draft to the next meeting.

**COUNCILPERSONS’ COMMENTS** – Councilperson Morrison wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**RESOLUTION #220**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councilperson Paquette, with a unanimous second, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Julie Schreiber, Town Clerk