

Minutes of the Town of Westport Special Board Meeting on October 9, 2018

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

The Assembly was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present on a roll call were:

Councilperson Page
Councilperson Kirkby
Councilperson Viens
Councilperson Morrison
Supervisor Tyler

Others present:

Julie Schreiber, Town Clerk
Dennie Westover, DPW Superintendent

RESOLUTION #157 MINUTES SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

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

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

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the September 25, 2018 regular meeting as received.

COMMITTEE REPORT

YOUTH COMMISSION – A recent Bidy t-shirt order put the Youth Commission over budget; Ed Mason submitted a check comprised of funds from the soccer tournament to cover the difference. They are currently in need of Bidy Basketball coaches.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #158 APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

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

RESOLVED to authorize the payment of bills on Abstract 20 in the amount of \$59,262.18 for Vouchers 540-571.

MONTHLY REPORTS – The supervisor is in receipt of the Town Clerk’s and Town Court’s September reports.

RESOLUTION #159
COURT CLERK AD

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

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

RESOLVED to advertise for a part-time court clerk with an application deadline of 2:00 p.m. on October 23, 2018.

CYCLE ADIRONDACKS – CycleADK is a bicycle tourism company that would like to use Westport as their base camp for a 2019 event. They plan to use the fairgrounds as the end location for their tour and, because the ride begins during fair week, they are looking for a starting location. The tour has around 300 participants.

RESOLUTION #160
CYCLEADK

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

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

RESOLVED that the Town Board is in favor of allowing the town of Westport to host Cycle Adirondacks for their 2019 bicycle tour.

RESOLUTION #161
SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

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

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

RESOLVED to adopt the Sexual Harassment Policy.

RESOLUTION #162
BUDGET MEETING

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

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

RESOLVED to hold a Special Meeting on October 23, 2018 to discuss the 2019 Tentative Budget.

DPW SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Dig Safe is requiring training for equipment operators; DPW employees will attend on October 30. Two water meter violations were found and the homeowners were verbally asked to fix the problems. Supervisor Tyler suggested sending letters (if the violations have not yet been corrected) requesting that they must be fixed by the next board meeting on October 23. The Fair Board has asked to hold their meetings at the Town Hall on the first Monday of every month. Dennie would like permission to use the NYS OGS Mini-Bid system to acquire a new tandem truck. The system advertises bids to dealers at no cost.

RESOLUTION #163
TANDEM TRUCK BID

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

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

RESOLVED to authorize use of the NYS OGS Mini-Bid system to bid for a new tandem truck.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS – Supervisor Received an email from Ronald Bussian who encouraged the Town to review the animal control ordinance to ensure that it supports and requires responsible pet ownership.

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RESOLUTION #164
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

RESOLVED to enter into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. to discuss a lawsuit against the town.

RESOLUTION #165
END EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

RESOLVED to close Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 7:52 p.m.

RESOLUTION #166
ATTORNEY HIRE

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

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

RESOLVED to hire an attorney to represent the Town in the pending lawsuit concerning a parcel's assessed value.

RESOLUTION #167
APPRAISER HIRE

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

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

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RESOLVED to hire an appraiser to appraise the parcel in the lawsuit against the town.

RESOLUTION #168
ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilperson Kirkby, with a unanimous second, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Julie Schreiber, Town Clerk