

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, March 3, 2008

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Town Board was called to order in the Community Meeting Room of the Kennedy Administration Building at 7:02 p.m. by Van Dinter.

Members present: Enge, Robinson, Sipsma, Van Dinter and von Rutenberg. Members absent: None. Also present: Brent Neevel and Tom Wilson.

Nobody was present for public comment regarding matters not on the agenda. The minutes of the February 18, 2008 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by von Rutenberg, second Robinson.

Operator Licenses for Judy Ketter, Sandra Guillen, Shawn Peterson, and Jessica Clark, were approved on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge, with von Rutenberg abstaining, conditioned on satisfaction of all state and local requirements (by a vote of 4-1, with Robinson opposing the Peterson license due to a previous "disorderly conduct - mistreatment to animals" charge). On the Charmet Findley operator license, after options and issues were presented by Wilson, Robinson move to have Findley come before the Board at its next meeting to let the Board know why he should not be rejected for a license as a habitual offender, which motion was seconded by Enge. After additional discussion on the motion, both the movant and second agreed to rescind that motion. The operator license application for Charmet Findley was then rejected as presented based on the court records provided due to Findley being a habitual offender, on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson, with von Rutenberg abstaining.

The draft Stormwater Permit annual report was approved as presented and authorized for filing on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

Sipsma and Von Rutenberg reported that the Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by the Administrator after questions were answered. Wilson reported on the work of the CATV/Technology Committee and the status of matters it has in progress. Van Dinter reported on meetings of the plan commission/committees.

There were no Administrative Matters raised. For Miscellaneous Matters or Forthcoming Events raised, Wilson reminded the Board of the Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 8, as usual, and the Board by consensus approved a 7:30 p.m. start time. Sipsma brought up concerns about flooding in the Spring.

Current bills as presented by the Administrator and as approved for payment by the Audit Committee were paid on a motion by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma.

The Board then adjourned to closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats., to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds or conducting other specified public business, because competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session regarding potential parkland purchases with Dane County, on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge, by a unanimous vote, at 7:26 p.m. The Board moved to the Executive Meeting Room adjoining the Community Meeting Room with the Town Attorney

The Board then returned to Open Session after discussion with the Town Attorney at 7:39 p.m., on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson, by a unanimous vote. The Board moved from the Executive Meeting Room back to the Community Meeting Room.

Action on the Potential Parkland Purchases with Dane County matter was postponed until a recommendation is received by the Waunakee/Westport Joint Planning Committee on a motion by Sipsma, second von Rutenberg.

Motion to adjourn by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Thomas G. Wilson,
Attorney/Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer