

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, August 3, 2009

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Town Board was called to order in the Community Meeting Room of the Bernard J. 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: Kay and David Beck, Brent Neevel, Ryan Dostalek, and Tom Wilson.

Nobody was present to comment on matters not on the agenda. The minutes of the July 20, 2009 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Sipsma, second von Rutenberg.

Operator Licenses for Lori Stahl and Susan Collins were approved as presented on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge, with von Rutenberg abstaining, conditioned on satisfaction of all state and local requirements.

For Sewer Utility Miscellaneous matters, Wilson reported on the Reynolds Avenue lift station electrical problems.

For the Kay Beck Assessment/Tax Relief Claim, River Road, Sipsma gave a report to the Board on the events of the last meeting, Wilson then gave a report on the matter itself, and David Beck then spoke to the Board asking for relief for the 2008 taxes. After questions and clarification, Van Dinter advised the Board and the Becks of the procedure that would be followed in deciding the matter.

The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by the Administrator after questions were answered. Robinson advised the Board of a CATV/Tech. Committee related item. Sipsma reported on the work of the Public Works Committee. Wilson and Van Dinter reported on meetings of the plan commission/committees.

There were no Administrative Matters reported. For Miscellaneous Business/Forthcoming Events raised, Van Dinter advised the Board of the Marine Enforcement fundraiser on Sunday at the Nau-ti-gal.

Current bills as presented by the Administrator 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; and Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., to confer with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to

become involved, regarding the Kay Beck Assessment/Tax Relief Claim, River Road, on a motion by Sipsma, second von Rutenberg, by a unanimous vote, at 7:32 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 7:47 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.

After discussion, the Board rejected the Kay Beck Assessment/Tax Relief Claim, River Road, and directed the Town Attorney to advise Mrs. Beck of that decision in writing with the Board's reasons for doing so, on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

Motion to adjourn by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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