

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, August 16, 2021

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Town Board was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Grosskopf in the Community Meeting Room of the Bernard J. Kennedy Administration Building/Town Hall. Members Present: Cuccia, Enge, Grosskopf, Sipsma, and Trotter. Members Absent: None. Also Present: Tom Wilson.

There were no Public Comment On Matters Not On the Agenda. The minutes of August 2, 2021 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge.

Regular Operator Licenses for several individuals, including many specifically related to the Wauktoberfest celebration in September, as on file with the Clerk and presented were granted subject all state and local requirements on a motion by Sipsma, second Trotter.

For Water Utility Miscellaneous Matters, Wilson reported on the status of the water tower rehabilitation project. For an Engineer Report, Wilson gave a progress update on the Mary Lake Road project and the start of other road projects (Cherokee Valley, Harris Circle, and the end of Rankin Lane).

The Labor Day Board Meeting was cancelled as usual with Wilson directed to set a special meeting if matters so require on a motion by Sipsma, second Cuccia.

Grosskopf and Wilson reported on items before the plan commission/committees. The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by Wilson after questions were answered.

For Administrative Matters raised, Wilson advised the Board that the new census figures show Westport with a population on January 1, 2020 of 4,102, which is a 3.8% increase since 2010 and 152 residents; Wilson advised that the DOR has the Town's equalized value for 2021 at over \$1 billion with a 9% change from the prior year; Wilson reminded the Board members of his planned vacation at the end of this month; and Wilson advised that staff is keeping an eye on COVID case increases and issues it may present for meetings and gatherings (Middleton went back to all virtual meetings and the County delayed going in-person).

For Miscellaneous Business or Forthcoming Events raised, Trotter raised concerns about the bus parked as a sign at CTH I and STH 19 for drivers by Lamers which has been there for a longer time than should be allowed: Enge requested that Wilson work on a letter and potential documents for a trail along the Kennedy property from Kennedy Drive to Montandon; and, Sipsma reported a high amount of traffic using the northern part of River Road and asked about the road's ability to stand up to the increased traffic due to DeForest/Windsor growth.

Current bills were paid as presented by Wilson and recommended by the Audit Committee after questions were answered on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge.

Motion to adjourn by Trotter, second Cuccia. The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Thomas G. Wilson
Attorney/Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer