

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, November 21, 2022

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Town Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Sipsma in the Community Meeting Room of the Bernard J. Kennedy Administration Building/Town Hall. Members Present: Cuccia, Manering, Pichette, Sipsma, and Trotter. Members Absent: None. Also Present: Dean Grosskopf and Jessica Duffrin.

There was no Public Comment On Matters Not On the Agenda.

The minutes of the November 7, 2022, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Pichette, second Manering.

The Lena, LLC land purchase was introduced by Grosskopf. Resolution 22-06 was adopted to authorize the closing of the purchase of the Lena, LLC land for an addition to Westport's Town Center Park in accordance with the accepted Offer to Purchase dated 10/10/2022 and pursuant to Resolution 07-03 adopted by the Town's Electors on April 10, 2007, which approves the expenditure of Town Park Funds for this purpose, on a motion by Manering, second Trotter.

After a brief discussion, it was determined that it would be in the Town's long-term interest to grant a Conservation Easement to Groundswell Conservancy on the entire Lena, LLC parcel in order to permanently protect the new parkland from any future development or use that would not be in the public's best interest. The proposed easement was approved on a motion by Manering, second Cuccia.

Resolution 22-07 (Approve Highway Construction Financing) was adopted, the form of which was provided by Settlers Bank as the lowest proposal, on a motion by Cuccia, second Trotter.

Resolution 22-08 (Approve Town Hall exterior improvements) was adopted, the form of which was provided by Settlers Bank as the lowest proposal, on a motion by Pichette, second Manering.

Resolution 22-09 (Approve Parkland Financing) was adopted, the form of which was provided by Settlers Bank as the lowest proposal, on a motion by Manering, second Cuccia.

Resolution 22-10 (Approve Parkland Seller Financing) was adopted, on a motion by Trotter, second Manering.

Grosskopf reported on the items before the Westport Plan Commission as well as the Waunakee/Westport Joint Plan Commission and the Middleton/Westport Joint Zoning Commission. The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by Grosskopf after questions were answered.

Pichette reported on the current activity of the Historic Preservation Committee and indicated that the work of the consultant from Isthmus Architects relative to the Nau-Ti-Gal property was in process at this time. Grosskopf sought permission to have the consultant inspect the interior of the building, however, there has been no response from the owner. Grosskopf will provide

anecdotal comments from staff relative to the building's condition at the next HPC meeting. The consultant will plan to deliver a presentation to the Historic Preservation Commission on January 5, 2023, the date of the proposed Public Hearing on the topic; all in its consideration of a Historic Property Designation request for the property.

For Administrative Matters, Town staff will work with Genesis Exteriors for a competing bid to re-side the Administration Building / Town Hall, and a competitive bid from The Badger Company is being considered.

For Miscellaneous Matters and Forthcoming Events, Manering reported on the status of Bong Road being designated as a Rustic Road. She will continue to work on this matter and keep the Board updated as she goes.

Current bills were paid as presented by Grosskopf and recommended by the Audit Committee, on a motion by Cuccia, second Trotter.

Motion to adjourn by Manering, second Cuccia. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Dean A. Grosskopf
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer