TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, December 19, 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: Kris Laufenberg, and Dean Grosskopf.

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

The minutes of the December 5, 2022, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Pichette, second Cuccia.

Kris Laufenberg from Badger Company, Inc. appeared to explain his bids to replace the siding on the Administration Building. Laufenberg discussed the merits of the two alternative types of siding material in his bids, and samples of each were presented to the Board. After a discussion and questions were answered, the Board asked Laufenberg to work with Grosskopf on an alternate bid which eliminated the aluminum soffits from his low bid to lower the cost of the project further.

After a brief presentation by Grosskopf, Resolution 22-11, Dane County Conservation Fund Grant Request for Financial Assistance, regarding the Acquisition of additional Town of Westport Parklands was adopted on a motion by Pichette, second Manering.

Grosskopf introduced an Ordinance to Amend [Section 2-5-5] Joint Planning Commission Ordinance, to Allow for Alternates as revised by the Town attorney. After a brief discussion, Ordinance 22-05 revising [Section 2-5-5] was adopted on a motion by Pichette, second Cuccia.

Grosskopf introduced an Ordinance to Create [Section 2-5-7] Joint Zoning Committee Ordinance, and to Allow for Alternates as revised by the Town attorney. After a brief discussion, Ordinance 22-06 creating [Section 2-5-7] was adopted on a motion by Manering, second Trotter.

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. Grosskopf and Pichette also reported on the current activity of the Historic Preservation Commission and indicated that the work of the consultant from Isthmus Architects relative to the Nau-Ti-Gal property was now complete. His findings will be considered at the upcoming Public Hearing on January 5, 2023.

For Administrative Matters, Grosskopf recommended that the January 2, 2023, Board Meeting be cancelled due to the New Year's Holiday and since other business could be postponed until the next scheduled Board Meeting on January 16, 2023. This recommendation was approved on a motion by Manering, second Trotter.

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

After the nature of the business was announced by the Chair, the Board then adjourned to closed session at 8:17 PM pursuant to section 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, and Section 19.85(1)(f), Wis. Stats., to consider financial, medical, social, or personal histories of specific persons which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, regarding personnel pay and policies, on a motion by Sipsma, second Cuccia, by a unanimous vote.

The Board then returned to Open Session at 8:40 p.m., on a motion by Pichette, second Cuccia, by a unanimous vote.

The 2023 Personnel Pay was adopted as recommended by the Personnel Committee on a motion by Trotter, second Manering.

Motion to adjourn by Pichette, second Cuccia. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Dean A. Grosskopf Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer