

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, September 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: Ted Fry, Randy Gutenberg, Steve Summers, and Dean Grosskopf.

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

The minutes of the August 15, 2022, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by, Manering second Cuccia.

Operator Licenses were approved on a motion by Cuccia, second Manering, however two licenses were referred to the Clerk. One just for completion of the "Employer" section, and the other to Grosskopf to determine either its acceptance or the need for further action, after additional information is acquired from the applicant and the employer.

For the Engineer Report, Grosskopf reported that the major 2022 road reconstruction projects have been completed and are well done and acceptable to the Town engineer and staff. Remaining drainage enhancements and shouldering will be completed in the next few weeks.

Grosskopf introduced and explained a proposed Town Code of Ordinances Amendment, Fences [Section 10-1-13(a)] to define a fence as a barrier not necessarily an enclosure. Chair Sipsma opened a Public Hearing on the subject at 7:10 PM and hearing no public comments on the subject then closed the Public Hearing at 7:11 PM. After a brief discussion, Ordinance Amendment 22-02 was approved on a motion by Trotter, second Cuccia.

A presentation was made by Randy Gutenberg and Steve Summers from the Waunakee Community School District explaining the need for two school referendum questions which will appear on the November 8, 2022, election ballot for voters in the district. Questions were asked and answered, but no action was required or taken by the Board.

Grosskopf reported on items from the plan commissions and committees. The 10/14/2022, Plan Commission Meeting will be cancelled because there is currently nothing up for consideration.

The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by Grosskopf after questions were answered.

For Administrative Matters, Grosskopf reported on the status of efforts to preserve a portion of the fallen Oak Tree. The Board recommended that Town staff try to preserve at least a part of the carving and remove the rest of the decayed tree prior to it becoming a hazard during the winter season. Grosskopf also reported on the continuing efforts to acquire the open land to the west of the Town Center.

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

Motion to adjourn by Manering, second Cuccia. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Dean A. Grosskopf
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer