

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, December 16, 2013

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 Chair Van Dinter. Members present: Robinson, Sipsma, Van Dinter, and von Rutenberg. Members absent: Enge. Also present: Rep. Dianne Hesselbein, Sup. Tim Kiefer, Peter Bloch, Peter Lindblad, Michael Drew, and Tom Wilson.

Wisconsin State Rep. Hesselbein was present to discuss her listening sessions and legislation activities. For comment on matters not on the agenda, Dane County Supervisor Kiefer presented his views on a potential new Dane County jail.

The minutes of the December 2, 2013 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

A Regular Operator License for Cheryl Hudson as on file with the Clerk and presented was approved subject to State and local requirements, on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson, with von Rutenberg abstaining.

After a report by Van Dinter and Wilson on the WAEMS Ambulance Insurance Cost Payment Issues item, and discussion, the Addendum to the original agreement with Dane County as presented and as recommended by WWDDVS regarding only the payment of ambulance auto insurance costs was approved for signature by WAEMS on a motion by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma.

Sipsma and Wilson gave a report on the Middleton Fire District Agreement Revisions item.

Resolution 13-14 [Authorizing Urban Service Area Amendment Work (School Property, Reynolds Avenue Properties and Mill Road Property)] was adopted as presented and recommended by the Town Plan Commission and Waunakee/Westport Joint Planning Committee, on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

No action was taken on the Town of Springdale Comprehensive Plan Amendment as presented and as recommended by the Town Plan Commission on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

Sipsma and Wilson reported on the Temporary Sign Code (Waunakee ETZ) matter, advising that the JPC wished to see more work on the ordinance before going to public hearing, to which the Board members did not object.

Wilson reported that the Personnel Committee met on December 5, 2013, at 7:30 a.m., and its work will be discussed later in the meeting. The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by the Administrator after questions were answered. For a CATV/Tech. Committee item, Robinson requested that the Waunakee shared PEG channel be revised to correct the 2014 election dates. Van Dinter and Wilson reported on meetings of the plan commission/committees.

There were no Administrative Matters raised. For Miscellaneous Business or Forthcoming Events raised, Wilson reminded the Board members of the special end of year bill payment meeting being held on Monday December 30, 2013, at 7:30 a.m. Current bills were paid as presented by the Administrator and recommended by the Audit Committee after questions were answered on a motion by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma.

After the nature of the business was announced by the Chair, the Board then adjourned to closed session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., considering 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, to consider/review personnel pay recommendations, personnel policies, and administrator contract revisions at 7:42 p.m., on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson, by a unanimous vote. 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 7:55 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.

The Personnel Pay Revisions as recommended by the Personnel Committee were approved as presented on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

Motion to adjourn by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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