

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, September 2, 2014

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 7:01 p.m. by Chair Van Dinter. Members present: Enge, Robinson, Sipsma, Van Dinter, and von Rutenberg. Members absent: None. Also present: Rhonda Arries, Guy Kitchell, Doug Shillinglaw, Nick Mischler, Patricia and Ken Scanlin, Jeffrey Russell, Elaine Mischler, Susan Trudell, Amanda Raabe, Chris Gilles, Roy Carter, Tim Lang, Don and Mardi Stroud, Mike and Teresa Ripp, Mark Trotter, several others who did not register, Mike Drew, and Tom Wilson.

There were no public comments on matters not on the agenda. The minutes of the August 18, 2014 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by von Rutenberg, second Sipsma.

For the Engineer Report, Wilson reported on the status of the Public Works Facility Construction and on the Tall Oaks road work.

After considering recommendations from the Town Plan Commission and the Waunakee/Westport Joint Planning Committee, extensive discussion and questioning of Wilson regarding procedures and potential conditions, the JPC was requested to reconsider its action and instead recommend approval by the Village Board of an action consistent with Resolution 14-16 [Allow Halloween Haunted Attraction Use with Restrictions, Halloween FX Props, 5305 CTH M (Former Stop-N-Go Building) and Sign Design Review], as now adopted, to temporarily revise the current restrictions on the property to allow the temporary use (alternative conditional approval motion) as outlined in the Wilson August 21, 2014 memo as presented to the Board with the conditions and restrictions contained therein, including on administrative appeal of the sign design review to approve the signs as noted in the same memo upon and only if the use becomes effective, and including additional restrictions regarding the lighting of the parking area in compliance with the Town lighting code as determined adequate by the Town Engineer and Attorney, conditions of use not in conflict with this approval as contained in the August 20 email of the petitioner including a bond to cover Town costs, the petitioner to carry and provide proof of liability insurance in an amount acceptable to the Town Attorney during the use of the property, if a violation of the restrictions the use must cease immediately, and the Town Attorney to draft the Resolution consistent with this motion to be approved by the Town Chair, on a motion by Enge, second Sipsma, by a vote of 4-1, with the following roll call vote: Robinson YES, Sipsma YES, Enge YES, von Rutenberg YES, Van Dinter NO.

Sipsma advised there was nothing new to report on the Middleton Fire District Lease Amendment, Town of Middleton Station/Adding Storage matter.

The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by the Administrator after questions were answered. Van Dinter reported on meetings of the plan commission/committees.

There were no Administrative Matters, Miscellaneous Business or Forthcoming Events raised.

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)(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 Plan Commission Appointments, at 7:40 p.m., on a motion by Sipsma, second von Rutenberg, 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 8:15 p.m., on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge, by a unanimous vote. The Board moved from the Executive Meeting Room back to the Community Meeting Room.

Motion to adjourn by Sipsma, second von Rutenberg. The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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