

TOWN OF WESTPORT

TOWN BOARD - Monday, March 21, 2016

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: Enge, Grosskopf, Robinson, Sipsma, and Van Dinter. Members absent: None. Also Present: Scott and Ron Longua, Mark Trotter, Pete Linblad, and Tom Wilson.

There were no public comments on matters not on the agenda. The minutes of the March 7, 2016 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Robinson, second Sipsma.

A Regular Operator Licenses for Richard Meyer as on file with the Clerk and presented was approved subject to State and local requirements, on a motion by Robinson, second Sipsma.

For Water Utility/Fire Protection Utility matters, the Chair opened a public hearing at 7:03 p.m. on the Longua Water Connections matter, 5390 and 5394 Blue Bill Park Drive, after a brief presentation by Wilson. The public hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m. after the Chair called for comments three times without response. After a request for a two year payment option and discussion, Resolution 16-03 (Longua Water Connections, 5390 and 5394 Blue Bill Park Drive) was adopted as presented with approval of the payment extension as requested with terms to be worked out to the satisfaction of the Town Attorney, on a motion by Enge, second Robinson.

Wilson reported on the status of several Comprehensive Plan items, including the public information meeting, the calendar, survey questions, and the public participation plan. The Board then approved the public participation plan by Resolution 16-04 as presented on a motion by Robinson, second Sipsma.

After discussion, Resolution 16-05 (Amending CORP) and Resolution 16-06 (Cooperation with Waunakee) regarding the potential O'Malley Land Purchase for Parks and CORP Revision, STH 19/Hellenbrand Road, were adopted as presented and recommended by the plan commissions, on a motion by Robinson, second Grosskopf.

After a brief discussion, the Waunakee Police Service Intergovernmental Agreement for the West Woodland Drive School Property was approved as presented on a motion by Grosskopf, second Robinson.

No action was taken on the County Zoning Revisions/Withdrawal Options matter since the Plan Commission postponed action, but Board members expressed their dissatisfaction over Dane County's plan to commence an action against the DCTA over a potential levy shift.

The Audit Committee recommended payment of bills as presented by the Administrator after questions were answered. Wilson reported that Public Works Committee will meet soon on Woodland Drive plans. Van Dinter and Wilson reported on meetings of the plan commission/committees.

For Administrative Matters, Wilson advised the Board that staff is working on a low key celebration for those employees leaving and retiring to be held at the end of April, tentatively planned as an open house at the new public works building.

For Miscellaneous Business or Forthcoming Events raised, Sipsma advised the Board that the Middleton Fire District is dealing with similar circumstances as raised at the most recent JPC meeting by the Village Police Chief over concerns with shared jurisdiction intersections and working to have multiple agencies paged.

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

After discussion and 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 regarding the Commission/Committee Appointments and Public Works Employee Hiring matters, at 7:27 p.m., on a motion by Sipsma, second dean, by a vote of 5-0.

The Board moved to the Executive Meeting Room adjoining the Community Meeting Room with the Town Attorney and likely future Board Supervisor Mark Trotter.

The Board then returned to Open Session after discussion with the Town Attorney and Trotter at 8:06 p.m., on a motion by Enge, second Sipsma, by a vote of 5-0. The Board moved from the Executive Meeting Room back to the Community Meeting Room.

After discussion on the Commission/Committee Appointments matter, Chris Ohm was appointed to fill the citizen position on the Plan Commission upon opening in May and acceptance, and Dennis Ruskin and Ron Bowen were reappointed to their Plan Commission positions, on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson. Mimi Bloch was appointed to the Historic Preservation Committee effective immediately upon acceptance on a motion by Sipsma, second Robinson.

After a brief discussion, Wilson was authorized to proceed on the Public Works Employee Hiring as he presented on a motion by Sipsma, second Enge.

Motion to adjourn by Enge, second Sipsma. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Thomas G. Wilson
Attorney/Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer