

Town Council Meeting
March 14th, 2022
Westport Town Hall

The Westport Town Council met in regular session at the Westport Town Hall, with the following present; Harry Pray III, President, John Organist, Joyce Brindley, and Gloria Alumbaugh. Harry Pray called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge to the flag. Clerk Treasurer, Gloria Alumbaugh presented the minutes from the February 14th Council Meeting which was approved by Joyce, seconded by John.

Signing of Funeral Deeds, Payroll Vouchers, & Monthly Bills:

John made a motion to approve all deeds, payroll vouchers and claims, seconded by Joyce. Council also reviewed the 2021 Annual Financial report which Joyce made a motion to approve, seconded by John. Council signed documents at the end of session.

Westport Water Project Updates:

Commonwealth representative, Matt Wirth gave an update on the progress of the water project. The council approved Pay App. A-14, \$18,1821.02 for Thieneman which John approved, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

Westport Wastewater Project:

Matt Wirth gave an update on the field work starting for the Wastewater Project. Harry presented Ordinance 2022-1 for a second reading and opened the floor for public comment at 6:41pm. There was no public comment and the floor was closed at 6:42pm. Joyce approved Ordinance 2022-1 (Rate Increase), seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Harry presented Ordinance 2022-2 (Revenue Bond to start project) for a second reading and opened the floor for public comment at 6:44pm. There was no public comment and the floor was closed at 6:44pm. Joyce made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-2, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Westport Stormwater Study 2022:

Matt Wirth stated that field work has began and there was a kick-off meeting on February 23rd.

Ordinance 2022-3: Minimum Water Bill Adjustments:

The council reviewed Ordinance 2022-3 amending Ordinance 2020-7 and Harry opened the floor at 6:53pm for public comment. There were no comments and the floor was closed at 6:54pm. John made a motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 2022-3 on 1st reading, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

Resolution 2022-2 Old Outstanding Checks:

Council reviewed Resolution 2022-2 which Joyce approved, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Carol Nobbe - 312 E Sycamore:

Carol Nobbe requested that fines from 2021 totaling \$1250 on the property at 312 E Sycamore be dropped due to the families' cooperation with clean-up. After much discussion John made a motion to drop the fines with contingency that Carol Nobbe will report back to the Council at the May monthly council meeting on the progress of the property clean-up, including a formal inspection from the Decatur County Board of Health and no more renters until the property is determined safe from sewage contamination.

Zoning Requests for Area Planning:

710 W. Main St. – Daryl Wolterman requested permission to zone property from B-1 to B-3 which was approved by Joyce, seconded by John with a contingency that there would be only operable vehicles on the property with no junk. Vote 3:0

Vacation/Insurance Benefits: Tabled until April Mtg.

Additional Adjustments and Purchases over \$1,000:

Council reviewed estimate for new security camaras totaling \$3,264.34 which John approved, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

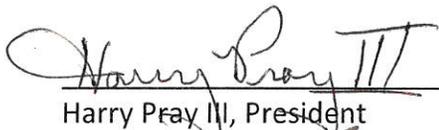
Council reviewed estimate for Aquatic Control – Clean Lake Maintenance totaling \$3,723 which Joyce approved, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Tracey Dailey requested a second leak adjustment within a 12-month period due to a toilet leak which was approved by John, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

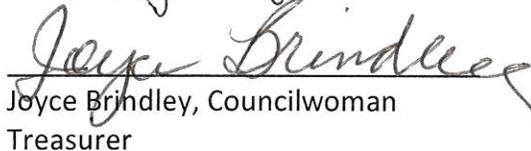
Shane Billingsley requested a second leak adjustment within a 12-month period due to broken pipes which was approved by John, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

Shirley Ralston requested an adjustment be made to her account due to new water meter billing issue which John made a motion to approve, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

John made a motion to close the monthly meeting, seconded by Joyce.



Harry Pray III, President



Joyce Brindley, Councilwoman
Treasurer



John Organist, Vice President



At: Gloria Alumbaugh, Clerk