

Town Council Meeting
May 9th, 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, 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 April 11th Council Meeting which was approved by Joyce, seconded by Harry.

Signing of Payroll Vouchers, & Monthly Bills:

Joyce made a motion to approve all payroll vouchers and claims, seconded by Harry.

Westport Water Project Updates:

Commonwealth representative, Rachel Runge gave an update on the progress of the water project and requested council approval on Thieneman's Pay Ap #15 which was approved by Joyce, seconded by Harry. Rachel also submitted a punch list of items to be paid by USDA as the project comes to an end which was approved by Joyce, seconded by Harry.

Westport Wastewater Project:

Rachel stated that field research continues as Commonwealth determines the rate of high flow through the Spring season as part of the pre-design phase.

Westport Stormwater Study 2022:

Rachel stated that field work continues and a model will be created to study the flow of water through town.

Hire Deputy Town Marshal – Oath of Office:

Luke was sworn in by the Clerk Treasurer and the council welcomed him to the position.

Cemetery Rates:

Harry explained why the town is looking at the cemetery rates and stated that they will have more information in the upcoming meetings.

Cemetery Paving Bid – Tabled

Tree Assessment:

Harry explained that the town recently hired an arborist to assess the trees on town property and along the right of ways, especially on main street. Harry discussed some of the recommendations from the assessment and informed property owners that they may receive letters if their tree is a safety concern.

Sidewalk Fund/Ordinance:

Harry discussed the need for sidewalk repairs or replacement and told residents that the council is actively looking for an affordable way to start sidewalk updates in town.

Animal Ordinance Update:

Harry stated that the Ordinance Committee is working on a way to combine all of Westport's animal ordinances into one effective ordinance since animals continue to be a concern in town.

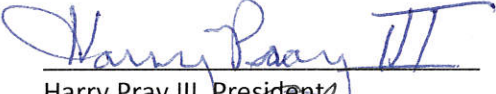
From the Floor:

Harry brought up a new idea stating that the town will be looking into a EV level 2 Charging station to meet the needs of electric vehicle consumers

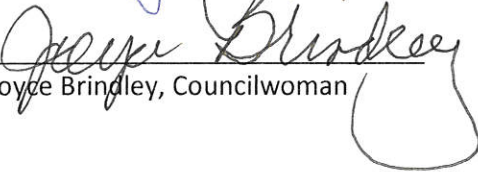
Gloria presented two adjustments for council approval. Joyce made a motion to approve a second water/sewer adjustment for Steve Hampton due to a leaking water heater which Harry seconded. The adjustment submitted by Mike Hempstead was not approved since the leak was not fixed. Council stated that the adjustment would be approved once the leak was indeed repaired.

Nathan Snyder addressed the council stating that his neighbor is trespassing and vandalizing his property and the council stated that this is a civil matter which they have no authority over.

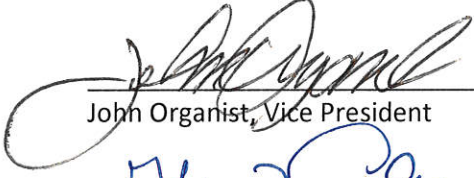
Joyce made a motion to close the monthly meeting, seconded by Harry.




Harry Pray III, President



Joyce Brindley, Councilwoman



John Organist, Vice President



At: Gloria Alumbaugh