

Town Council Meeting
August 8th, 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 July 11th Council Meeting which was approved by Joyce, seconded by John.

Signing of Payroll Vouchers, & Monthly Bills:

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

NIPRO:

Shane Miller, Nipro PharmaPackaging Plant Manager addressed the Town Council, stating that he had attempted to reach out to the town for a quote on costs to update water services to meet the needs of a factory expansion and he was having difficulty getting answers from Westport Water Company. Shane stated that the expansion would bring 80 factory level jobs and 20 salary paid jobs to Westport. The council responded by asking for more information about expansion specifics and Shane stated that he would maintain communication with them but needs an answer within the next couple weeks.

CCMG – FBPH Engineering Inc.:

Josh Shaw, Project Manager presented an estimate to the town for \$4,300 to begin Phase 1 of the Community Crossing Matching Grant engineering services. The council stated that they will review the quote and make a decision at the next council meeting.

Melody Stone – Road Closure Permissions:

Melody Stone requested permission for the Kiwanis group to hold a parade and request road closure on Main Street on September 10th for the Westport Kiwanis Car Show. Melody Stone also requested permission to close a portion of Mulberry Street for a church picnic at the Westport Christian Church on August 13th from 3pm – 7pm. Joyce made a motion to approve both road closures and evening parade, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Harry opened the **Public Hearing** – Ordinance 2022-4 for comment at 7:42 pm after reading the Ordinance for the first time. There was no public comment and Harry closed the hearing at 7:48pm after making a closing statement. Joyce made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-4, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Harry opened the **Public Hearing** – Ordinance 2022 - 5 for comment at 7:51pm after reading the Ordinance for the first time. There was no public comment and Harry closed the hearing at 7:53pm. Joyce made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-5, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

Harry opened the **Public Hearing** – Ordinance 2022-6 for comment at 7:55pm after reading the Ordinance for the first time. There was no public comment and Harry closed the hearing at 7:55pm. Joyce made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-6, seconded by John. Vote 3:0

3-Way Liquor License:

Ilia Cattone addressed the council and answered questions regarding her intentions of requesting a 3-Way Liquor License. After much discussion Joyce made a motion to request Attorney Whitted to draft an Ordinance to rescind Ordinance 2016-4 Repealing a 3-Way Liquor License and motion to approve the 3-Way Liquor License permitted to Ilia Cattone if the state makes that determination which was seconded by Harry. Vote 2:1

Expenditures over \$1000:

Gloria presented an estimate from Allen’s Excavating, Inc for \$7,000 to demolish the structure at 606 S West St. which was approved by John, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

Gloria presented an invoice from the Westport Community Building that they paid \$5,000 to Koors Heating and Cooling to replace a central air unit at the community building which John approved the town reimbursing the community building committee, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

Gloria also discussed payment arrangements for Mark and Berta Taylor’s insurance which the council decided to table until more information is obtained.

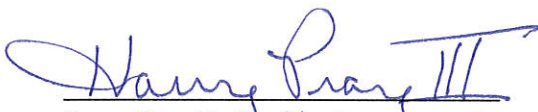
From the Floor:

The Westport Community Building Committee president, Kenny Marshall gave an update to the council on where they are in obtaining grant funding and making repairs on the community building. He stated that they are looking for at least \$165,000 and are looking into a larger project later on to make the building an ER shelter which would entail showers and more restroom facilities.

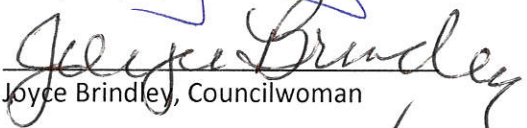
Delores Honeycutt led a discussion on illegal burning and the council asked the clerk to add a notice in the next water bill mailing related to illegal burning.

Shane Baker requested a second leak adjustment, stating that his leak carried over two billing periods which John approved, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0.

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



Harry Pray III, President



Joyce Brindley, Councilwoman



John Organist, Vice President



Attest: Gloria Alumbaugh

