

Town Council Meeting
March 13th, 2023
Westport Town Hall

The Westport Town Council met in regular session at the Westport Community Building, 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.

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

Joyce made a motion to approve the monthly minutes as written, seconded by John. John approved the monthly documents, payroll vouchers, and claims, seconded by Joyce.

Suzy Tomlinson Presentation:

Suzy addressed the Town Council, stating that she would have the outside of the Old Mason Lodge cleaned up by May 2023. Suzy showed the council the lighted branches that she makes at the building and apologized for the lack of communication regarding clean-up. Harry waived the fines on the property due to Suzy's cooperation.

Alley Closure Petition: 107 W Sycamore

Monica Garrity presented a petition to close the alley between her property and 105 W Sycamore St. The Council agreed to consider the closure and the clerk will submit an Ordinance to review next month.

Zoning Permissions: Carol Zapfe No Showed

Luke Lozier:

Luke addressed the Town Council asking them to consider giving him a raise before the end of the year. Luke stated that he is getting 35% less than the average deputy in Indiana and he shared what other deputies in Indiana are making. The Council stated that they are open to consider a raise for both him and Joe but they would discuss the raise in more detail at an Executive Session scheduled for March 30th at 12:30pm.

Employee Payrate for Westport Community Building:

Gloria asked the council to consider a payrate for Connie Davis who is willing to continue managing the Westport Community Building. The council approved a monthly rate of \$600 for managing the Community Building and \$17.66 per hour for housekeeping at both the Town Hall and Westport Community Building which John made a motion to approve, seconded by Joyce. Vote 3:0

Alliance of Indiana Rural Water Apprenticeship Program:

Gloria presented the information on the apprenticeship program that she received from Kelly Gardner. The Council listened and reviewed the information stating that they agree to pursue the program.


From the Floor:

Harry announced that Spring Clean-up will start on April 20th with two dumpsters available at Town Hall for trash and small electrical recycling/shredding on Earth Day, April 22nd. Harry reminded town residents that clean-up would be encouraged through October to keep the town clean.

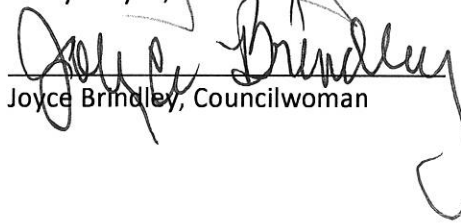
Suzy Tomlinson offered to provide Curly Willow starts on Earth Day to encourage planting trees in the community.

Danny Toler stated that he is having sewer issues and would like the town to fix his issues. John stated that he will check into the issues along with Damon to determine what needs to be done.

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

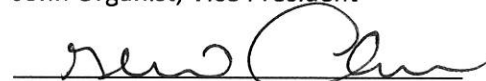


Harry Pray III, President



Joyce Brindley, Councilwoman

John Organist, Vice President



Attest: Gloria Alumbaugh