

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022
2nd FLOOR MEETING ROOM
TOWN HALL
816 MAIN ROAD
6:00PM**

6:00 p.m. Call To order & Pledge of Allegiance

Acknowledgments & Recognitions

1. Public Hearings

2. Licenses/Permits

3. Appointments and Resignations

- a. Request from Sean Leach to be appointed to the Long Term Building Committee.
- b. Request from Gary Carreiro to be appointed to the Personnel Board.

4. Discussion

5. Action Items

- a. Chapter 61A Release, 559 Main Road, parcel B on Plan of Land dividing Map 69 Lot 12 as recorded at the Bristol County Registry of Deeds Book 9420, Page 183 (Parcel B)
- b. Request from Carol Freitas to accept a \$100.00 donation from Peter and Paula Brown, for discretionary use in memory of Aaron Brown.
- c. Request to approve \$40,000 Town or County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the Comm-Tract Fiber Optic Contract.
- d. Request from the Council on Aging to accept the following donations: \$75; Ralph Urban for Best Use, \$25; Equipment Loan Best Use, \$50; Glenn Taylor In Memory of Madeline Sinclair , \$50; Richard Boyer In Memory of Helen Walsh, \$50; Denise Lariviere In Memory of Madeline Sinclair, \$50; Diane Baraby In Memory of Helen Walsh, \$20; Martha Reed In Memory of Madeline Sinclair. Totaling \$320
- e. Request to release Westport Housing Rehabilitation Program Lien recorded in Book 8600 Page(s) 164-166.
- f. Request from Chris Gonsalves; Highway Surveyor to post the positions of Mechanic and Special Equipment Operator to fill vacancies.
- g. Request from Max Performance to hold the 16th Annual Buzzards Bay Triathlon on September 18, 2022, from 9:00am to 12:00pm, beginning and ending at Horseneck Beach.
- h. Request from Chris Gonsalves, Highway Surveyor to approve the 2022/2023 Chapter 90 Project Request. The roads to be improved include: Tickle Rd. – Rte. 177 – Briggs Rd., Briggs Rd. – Tickle to house #490 and Kim Dr. – Oak Ave. intersections.

6. **Town Administrator Report**
7. **Approve Minutes**
 - a. August 1, 2022
8. **Report on Bill Warrant**
9. **Selectmen Liaison Committee Reports & Suggestions for Future Agenda Discussion / Action**
10. **Comments and Statements**
11. **Boards/Committees/Commissions Vacancy List**
12. **Topics not reasonably anticipated forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.**
13. **Executive Session** – pursuant to the provisions of MGL c 30A section 21(a), Chair declares an open meeting will have a detrimental effect to:
 - a. Discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining - Westport Police Association.
 - b. Approve Minutes:
 - July 18, 2022
 - July 25, 2022

Adjournment

Boards/Committees/Commissions Vacancy List

****Committee members with terms that end in June should advise if they wish to continue****

ADA Transition Plan Committee – 2 vacancies (Fin Com).

Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Trust Fund Council – 1 vacancy (CIPC Rep)

Agricultural Commission Alternate – 2 Vacancies (Alternate)

Bike / Walking Path Committee - 2 vacancies.

Climate Resiliency Sub Committee Members

Energy Committee – 4 vacancies.

Fence Viewers – 1 vacancy.

Infrastructure Oversight Committee – 1 Business to Business Member, 1 Neighborhood Rep.

Personnel Board – 2 vacancies.

Recreation Commission – 2 vacancies.

Safety Regulation Board - 1 vacancy.

Tax Incentive Program Committee (1 vacancy –Westport Economic Development Task Force Rep).

Westport Citizen’s Betterment Committee – 1 vacancy.

**** Committees are kindly requested to advise who serves as chair, vice chair and clerk ****

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Town Administrator
James K. Hartnett

To: Board of Selectmen
From: Jim Hartnett, Town Administrator
Re: Bi-Weekly Report
Date: August 15, 2022

1. FY2023 Chapter 90 Street Program

The Highway Department is in the process of finalizing their list of streets for FY2023. Work is scheduled for late fall, early spring and will include repaving (overlay) of the following streets:

Charlotte White Road – (Drift Road to Main Road) 3,300 L.F.

Main Road - (200' north of Charlotte White Road to 472 Main Road) 2,400 L.F.

Hix Bridge Road – (Route 88 to Main Road, including intersection) 1,700 L.F.

Tickle Road – (Route 177 to Briggs Road near Kim Drive including intersection) 9,300 L.F.

Briggs Road – (Tickle Road near Kim Drive to 398 Briggs Road) 2,300 L.F.

2. New Phone System

Keith Novo provided the following update: The phone project is approximately 90% complete. Eight phone switches have been replaced in the largest town buildings along with the replacement of 180 phone handsets. Two new SIP trunks were installed to provide call redundancy. These allowed for the removal of many copper phone lines. Months of planning allowed for a mostly successful transition. With every large scale project there are always issues that show up, these were addressed as quickly as possible. The remaining items on the closeout "punch list" are being worked by the vendor and Keith. In addition to the standard phone features that have already been deployed, some new features such as remote phone access using an App will be deployed over time.

3. Fiber Optic Cable

Keith Novo provided the following update: The installation of fiber optic cable to all the town sites has begun. The backbone between the Northend Fire station and the Police station is already on the poles. In addition the fiber from the Police station to the Harbormaster building is also on the poles. The fiber installer will now start to run fiber from the poles into each of the town buildings and the radio tower sites. Then each of these sites will be terminated with the proper connectors allowing the Town's networking equipment to connect to the new fiber. Once the fiber is done, the new core network switching and routing hardware will be installed allowing for high speed access to all the town buildings. In conjunction with this task, Keith is working with the Police and Fire departments to identify the final tower sites. The hardware necessary to connect the radio repeaters at the tower sites is also being identified. Once the transition from the old phone lines to the new fiber is complete, the public safety radios will have clear communications.

4. Council On Aging Monthly Report

Monthly report included in Board of Selectmen Files