

**AGENDA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
WESTPORT TOWN HALL
816 MAIN ROAD, WESTPORT, MA 02790
MONDAY- OCTOBER 31, 2016
5:30 PM**

Pledge of Allegiance

Executive Session - pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 30A section 21 (a) (2) to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel, the Town Administrator; (3) to discuss ongoing situation at American Legion Highway; and to approve Executive Session Minutes of October 17, 2016.

Chairman's Announcement

Under MGL Chapter 30A, section 20(f) – Meeting being recorded.

Board's Announcements

1. American Legion Highway – Tenant Farm Update.

Public Comments

Acknowledgments & Recognitions

Appointments and/or Resignations

1. Resignation received from James H. Collins, Jr. from the Westport Historical Commission.

6:05 PM **Public Hearing** – RE: An application request from Michael Ramos – Customer First Auto Group, Inc., located at 1052 State Road for the transfer of a Class II Motor Vehicle License for the sale of used vehicles (56 vehicles); and an application request for a Repair License for the repair of vehicles (4 vehicles). The property is shown on Assessor's Map 12, Lot 21B.

6:15 PM **Beverly Bisch, COA Director** – RE: Request permission to post and hire a Volunteer Coordinator; and for appointment of Denise Pare as Supportive Day Program Aide.

Action Items

1. Request received from Katie & Jeremy Silva, 4 Cornell Road for a “Slow or Blind Driveway” sign. Police recommendation received.
2. Ratification of vote of Memorandum of Agreement – Labor Advantage for Workers, Local 254 (LAW).
3. Animal Control Officer and Assistant Animal Control Officer – Nomination of Animal Inspector, Job Descriptions and Recruitment
4. Request for permission to hold an auction of surplus equipment (various departments) on Municibid.
5. Consideration of MMA Legislation Package for 2017-2018 (Increase Local Option Sales Tax on Meals from 0.75% to 1.5% & Authorize Cities and Towns to Adopt a Local Option Excise on Motor Fuels).
6. Requests from WLCT and the CPC for support of a Partnership Agreement as part of the WLCT Federal Grant Application for the Richmond Pond Wildlife Sanctuary.
7. Town Administrator – Review and Contract.

Liquor Licenses

Town Administrator Report – see attached.

Discussion Items

Minutes

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2016 and October 17, 2016.

Selectmen Liaison Committee Reports

Question and Answer Period

Boards/Committees/Commissions Vacancy List

Board of Appeals – 1 Vacancy

Cable Advisory Board – 1 Vacancy

Council on Aging – 1 Vacancy

Energy Committee – 2 Vacancies

Fence Viewer – 2 Vacancies

Long-Term Planning Town Building Evaluation Committee – 1 Vacancy

Personnel Board – 3 Vacancies

Westport Cultural Council – 1 Vacancy

Board Members Suggestions for Future Agenda Discussion / Action

Topics not reasonably anticipated forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting

Other Business

Adjournment



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Town Administrator

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To: Board of Selectmen
From: Tim King, Town Administrator
Subj: Bi-Weekly Report
Date: October 28, 2016

Item #1 – FY 18 Budget Calendar

Draft Calendar attached.

Item #2 – Food for Friends Pantry

Attached is a report describing the activities of the Westport Food Bank called Food for Friends.

Item #3 – St. Vincent Property

Attached are the notes from the St. Vincent Property Working Group. They are conducting “due diligence” to determine the appropriateness of the property for town use. Also attached is a related document from the Recreation Committee.

Item #4 - MassDOT Speed Limit Regulations

The Town often receives requests to change a speed limit (usually lower). The MassDOT regulates the method by which speed limit changes can be considered. I have attached some recently received information about this topic.

Item #5 – Charter Cable Television

Attached is a letter from Charter providing information about their Westport facility.

Item #6 – Westport Buoy

The Coast Guard has offered to meet with local stakeholders to discuss the proposed removal of the Westport Harbor Bell & Light Buoy. They have an alternative to discuss. Marine Services Director Chris Leonard will be organizing the meeting of stakeholders.

Item #7 – COA Director – Monthly Report

Attached.

Item #8 – CEC Renaming Old County Road Solar Development

CEC, the developer of the solar farm at 703 Old County Road, is renaming it as “The Cuff Slocum Solar Farm” thanks to the efforts of David Cole and others.

Item #9 – Federal Highway Administration – Rule Change

Selectmen Steve Ouellette brought to the Board of Selectmen’s attention the proposed federal rule change related to the development of regional Transportation Improvement Planning (TIP). I have attached a copy of a letter from SRPEDD and SMMPO describing the problem.