

**AGENDA
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
WESTPORT TOWN HALL
816 MAIN ROAD, WESTPORT, MA 02790
MONDAY- DECEMBER 12, 2016
6:00 PM**

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman's Announcement - Under MGL Chapter 30A, section 20(f) – Meeting being recorded.

Public and/or Board Member Comments

Acknowledgments & Recognitions

Appointments and/or Resignations

1. Appointment request of Bill Harkins as Board of Health Rep. to the Animal Action Committee.
2. Appointment request of Beth Easterly to the Council on Aging Board.
3. Appointment request of Peter M. Borden as an Associate Member to the Board of Appeals.
4. Appointment request of Tony Cestodio as Police Rep. to the Animal Action Committee.

6:05 PM Public Hearing – RE: Fee increase requests from the Fire Department.

6:15 PM Public Hearing – RE: Tax Classification Hearing for FY'17.

6:30 PM Public Hearing – RE: Remote Access for Participation of Public Bodies in the Town of Westport for Public Meetings.

Action Items

1. Request received from Patricia Swain Rice (New England Wild Flower Society) for parking permits to conduct a Natural Community Field Trip to Cherry & Webb property on April 8, 2017.
2. Notice of grant award from the Ronald Desrosiers Memorial Fund (\$400) to purchase and install an additional flag pole at the Town Hall – Denise Bouchard, applicant.
3. BOS Announcement under MGL Ch.7C. Section 37 of Dept. of Agriculture's APR Project name: Russell 5, Robert J., II and Carol L., Project ID# 16B02:
 - A. Notice of Proposed Acquisition – to be read into the record of meeting.
 - B. Confirmation of Notice – post and/or publish Notice – Make public announcement.
 - C. Certificate of Notice – complete and return signed “Certificate of Notice”.
 - D. Consent to Reduction of Notice Period – BOS must agree/disagree to reduction of notice period from 120 days to 60 days to expedite process.
4. Request received from the Board of Health for permission to post in-house and advertise for a Sr. Public Health Agent at the same time.

Liquor Licenses

1. Approval of Annual Renewals of Liquor Licenses.

Town Administrator Report – see attached.

Discussion Items

Minutes

1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of October 31, 2016 and November 14, 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 – 1 Vacancy

Fence Viewer – 2 Vacancies

Long-Term Planning Town Building Evaluation Committee – 1 Vacancy

Personnel Board – 2 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

Executive Session - pursuant to the provisions of GL c 30A section 21 (a) to approve Executive Session Minutes of October 31, 2016 and November 14, 2016; ¶3 to discuss ongoing situation at American Legion Highway and Pine Hill Road; ¶1 to discuss with the Board of Health next phase of investigation/litigation; and ¶2 to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel, Town Administrator.

Adjournment



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To: Board of Selectmen
From: Tim King, Town Administrator
Subj: Bi-Weekly Report
Date: December 9, 2016

Item #1 – 465 American Legion Highway

The Court approved the Preliminary Injunction requested by the Town for the Medeiros Property.

Item #2 – Coast Guard – RE Westport WH Buoy

The Coast Guard has come up with an acceptable alternative to the proposed removal of this lighted bell buoy. A different buoy will be installed in its place. This was reviewed at a public meeting and by the Harbor Advisory Committee. All found the new proposed buoy acceptable. Attached is a letter from the Coast Guard regarding the Westport WH Buoy.

Item #3 – Charter Fee Changes

Attached is a letter from Charter advising of some fee changes (down for the most part).

Item #4 - Town Hall and Annex Closure – 1 Hour

Town Hall and Annex Office will be closed from Noon to 1 PM on December 21 for the Annual Employee's Potluck luncheon.

Item #5 – Energy Aggregation & Electricity Rate Projections

Attached is the Annual Report for the Municipal Aggregation Report for Westport as required by the DPU. Also attached are rate projections for Eversource and National Grid. ConEd Solutions is the firm providing electricity for participants in the Aggregation Program. ConEd Solutions was recently acquired by Constellation Energy. See attached material.

Item #6 – Marine Services Director's Report - Attached

Item #7 – Community Television Director's Report - Attached