Town Council Meeting September 10, 2018 Westport Town Hall

The Westport Town Council met in regular session at the Westport Town Hall, with the following present; Bryan Gatewood, President, Richard Smith, Joyce Brindley and Ronda Bartlett. Bryan Gatewood called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge to the Flag. President Gatewood read minutes from the August 13th meeting. The minutes were approved as read on a motion by Joyce, seconded by Richard.

Bryan also read the minutes from the Public Hearing held on August 13, 2018 to discuss the budget for 2019. The minutes were approved on a motion by Richard, seconded by Joyce.

Monthly Bills and Adjustments were signed

Payroll Vouchers were signed Cemetery were signed

Street and Cemetery Report: Presented by Richard Smith

<u>Water and Sewer Report:</u> Presented by Bryan Gatewood. Bryan stated that the water and sewer department needs a new truck. Bryan presented three bids for a new truck. The bids are as follows, Ford \$49,499.00, Chevy \$43,147 and Dodge \$40,076. Richard made a motion to accept the bid from Dodge, seconded by Joyce.

Marshal's Report: Presented by Joyce Brindley

Mainstreet Westport Report: Barb Winchester reported the Fall Festival will be held on October 13, 2018. They have over 42 vendors registered so far. At the Festival thus far will be a bakery, costume contest, cornhole, basketball, cake walk, various games and bounce house. Breakfast will be at 6:30 consisting of serve biscuits and gravy. There will be an Electronic Recycling day at Town Hall on October 20th from 9an-I lain.

<u>Community Crossing Grant:</u> Richard stated he begun working on the grant for next year in the amount of \$220,475.00. Richard stated that he had two projects ready and working on the third one.

Mary McCarty with SIRPC: Mary came to hold a public hearing to appoint a representative of SIRPC to act as a hearing officer to schedule and publish notices. Mary stated the every thing needed to be done by the deadline of November 30, 2018 and we should find out sometime in January. To make the project more competitive they need to know if any residents has any issues such as water pressure to document it and any dollar amount that we have spent to address ty issues within the last five years.

Rachel Runge with Commonwealth reported that ,osti "'plant has out lived it's useful life. They have

had to do some repairs to the old system. The new eer plant will consist of new pumps and valves along with new meter replacements to customers to help eliminate errors in reading. The floor was open for questions concerning the project. The question was asked, what is the average PSI flow? Rachel responded that the average range is Forty to fifty. Bryan stated that we have already dealt with the Federal when we had our meeting at the Community Building and now we are dealing with the State.

<u>Disconnection Notice/Bill Adjustments:</u> Sara Williams wrote a letter requesting an extension on her water bill until Friday, September 14th. Joyce made a motion to accept her request, seconded by Richard. Amanda Lavender also wrote a letter asking for an extension due to having to buy a new battery for her van until Friday, September 14th. Joyce made a motion to accept her request, seconded by Richard.

Joe McFarland came before the council to ask for a leak adjustment due to a family member not residing in the home whom, left the outside spicket running for about a month. It was not noticed until they received their water bill, Joyce made a motion to give him a leak adjustment, seconded by Richard.

Joe and Pearl Wagner at 303 S. Dean Street are doing some home improvements to add additional rooms and is asking the council for approval. Joyce made a motion to accept his request, seconded by Richard. From the Floor: Kathy Rampley came before the council to dispute a property line, isidor Dust is putting up a fence and Kathy believes it is on her property. She made the dispute known to the neighbor. Bryan suggested that she call Krista Duvall who is with Area Plan.

Debris Honeycutt talked to her neighbor on Main Street about cleaning up their yard and it seemed to be of help to her.

Jacob Ross at 604 N. Cann came to complain about the barking dogs at 602 N. Cann. Bryan stated that we are in the process of updating our dog ordinance adding a kennel and nuisance clause.

Bill Meyerrose announced that he is running for Sherriff of Decatur County. Bill stated that he has been to sixteen Town Council meetings and is committed to Westport and is willing to learn what is going on in Westport.

Dave Durant also announced that he is running for Sherriff of Decatur County. Dave stated that he has thirty-five years' experience in law enforcement. Dave stated he will see that every citizen is treated fairly and he is willing to orphan his wife and son for us.

Jeff Bradley at 402 E Paul Street ask if the fire hydrant by his residence is working? His insurance company offers a discount to homeowners who have a working hydrant. Jeff just wanted to make sure that is working.

Barb Winchester reported that her fence is now done.

With nothing further to come before the Westport Town Council Richard made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joyce.

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Bryan Gatewood, President

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