

Town Council Meeting
February 12, 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 January 8th meeting. The minutes were approved as read on a motion by Joyce, seconded by Richard.

Bryan also read the minutes from the Special Session on January 18th with Commonwealth Engineers. Richard made a motion to accept the minutes as read with a change from SER to SIRPC, seconded by Joyce.

Cemetery Deeds were signed

Monthly Bills and Adjustments were signed

Payroll Vouchers were signed

Signing of Miscellaneous Appropriation Transaction list-EDIT Transfers: Transfers include \$5,000.00 for new computers for the office, \$10,000.00 toward updating the Town's street lights and \$9,471.00 to use as a grant match for paving.

The office received a quote from Summit Microsystems for new computers. Joyce made a motion to accept the quote of \$2,356.00 for two new computers and Microsoft Office, seconded by Richard.

Street and Cemetery Report: Presented by Richard Smith

Water and Sewer Report: Presented by Bryan Gatewood.

Marshal's Report: Presented by Joyce Brindley

Mainstreet Westport Report: Planning a chili cook off for non-profits in town. It will be held Saturday, February 24th from 5:30-8pm. There will be a free will offering and all

Ordinance 2018-3 to Redact Ordinance 92-1: First reading of Ordinance 2018-3. This Ordinance is to establish a fair and consistent policy regarding water leaks and unexplained water losses. In #3 a majority of the vote from the council instead of a unanimous vote. #4 stating for any other special circumstances the customer would present before the Town Council and also must require majority consent of the Town Council. Also, a request to change the cost of removal for two hours at \$25.00 per hour plus cost of checking the meter.

Globe Asphalt: The remaining balance of the contract for paving at the cemetery has been paid to Globe Asphalt.

Marshal's Contract Renewal: Joyce made a motion to accept Marshal Joe Talkington's contract for 2018, seconded by Richard.

Deputy Marshal's Contract: Joyce made a motion to accept Deputy Marshal Ryan Arbuckle's contract for 2018, seconded by Richard.

Nathan Sander's: Nathan owns Sander's Market & Deli. Nathan would like to close the alley between the store at 106 E Main Street and the Baptist Church parking lot at 105 N West Street Lot 56. Richard made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-3 closing the alley, seconded by Joyce.

Commonwealth Engineers: Rachel Runge with Commonwealth was present to give an update on the project and to deliver a letter of transmittal to be signed. The report has been sent to Jodi for review. They have a plan in place with the school and are going to meet on March 12 at the school to do corrections. Tank inspections will be done in April or May.

Also, a Task Order needs to be signed which is a standard form of agreement between owner and engineer professional services. Richard made a motion to approve the signing of the task orders for USDA, seconded by Joyce. There will be a public meeting at the Community Building in the near future, for those who have questions concerning the project are encouraged to attend that meeting.

Disconnection Notice: Renee Golowenski ask for a delay in disconnection until February 27th. She will pay \$50.00 this Friday and the balance overdue on February 27th. Joyce made a motion to accept her request, seconded by Richard.

Also, Zach Shera came to the board meeting to ask for an extension on his disconnection notice until Fri, February 16th. Joyce made a motion to accept his request, seconded by R i c h a r d .

From the Floor: Bill M4w was in attendance and announced he is running for Decatur County Sherriff.

William Schmitt and Catherine Tevis at 310 S Walnut Street would like to place a lien on 308 S Walnut Street. This property is owned by Rita Sayre. William stated he has spent \$3,000 on this property keeping it cleaned and mowed for the last year and a half. He stated the property is unsafe and would like to start the process to get it condemned. The council will look into this matter.

Debris Honeycutt would like to thank the Street Department for fixing the storm drain at her residence. She would also, like to thank Ronda and Jenny for suggesting she shut her water off while on vacation because she had a leak and would have had a mess when she returned.

Diane Barrett would like to open a resale shop with vendors but can't find any space available. She was given a few names to get ahold of to see if space is available.

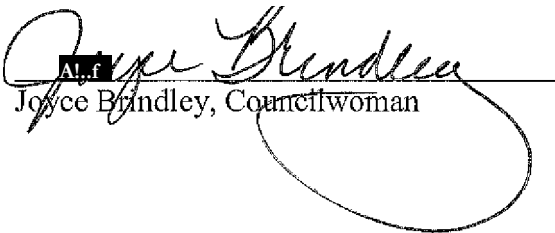
John Organist turned in his resignation as part time employee for the Town of Westport and Westport Reserve Officer for the Town of Westport to be effective March 2, 2018. John has accepted a position with the Decatur County Sherriff Department. The council wished John good luck on his new position.

Cassie Sander ask about the percentage of water is to the sewer. They are watering horses and are charged sewer for that. The office will get with Cassie and show her the water / sewer rate chart and discuss this matter.

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

Bryan Gatewood, President
Richard Smith, gou ilman

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Ronda Bartlett, Clerk Treasurer


Joyce Brindley, Councilwoman