

Town Council Meeting  
March 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 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 February 12th meeting. The minutes were approved as read with a correction on the spelling of Bill Meyerrose name on a motion by Joyce, seconded by Richard.

Cemetery Deeds were signed

Monthly Bills and Adjustments were signed

Payroll Vouchers were signed

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: The chili cook off for non-profits in town went well. They raised \$466.00 which was divided between the non-profit organizations. The next project will be planting flowers this Spring and working on the Covered Bridge Festival.

Signing of Resolution 2018-1: This resolution is to transfer from MVH to the Community Crossing Grant Fund to pay the town's portion. Richard made a motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Joyce.

Ordinance 2018-3 to Redact Ordinance 92-1: Second 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. Richard made a motion to accept the second reading, seconded by Joyce.

Back-Up for Town Hall: Serenity Back-Up to Cloud for \$39.00 a month or purchase a new Terra Station. Joyce mad a motion to use Serenity back-up to Cloud for \$39.00 a month, seconded by Richard,

Paving Parking Lot at the Police Department: Joyce read a letter from the Westport Police Department with some concerns and goals. The Police Department requested that the town provide trash removal, remove and relocate the gravel storage pits located in the south parking lot, relocate the street department storage in the east half of the building to allow the Police Department to utilize the building, paint the exterior of the building and pave the south parking lot. When it rains the entire parking lot becomes flooded because the drains are inadequate to remove the water flow.

Water Project Public Hearing: The Public Hearing on the Water Project will be held at the Community Building on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 7pm. There will be four engineers on site to answer any questions you may have. This will be published in the paper to announce the meeting.

Disconnection Notice: Rita Heitz is asking for an extension of \$117.84 on her water bill until Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> due to her husband losing his job. Joyce made a motion to accept her request, seconded by Richard.

Cynthia Wilkinson also presented a letter to the board.. She will pay half today and the remainder of the balance on Fri, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Cynthia is on disability and had to repair a water leak. Joyce made a motion to accept his request, seconded by Richard.

Sarah Williams called the water office to ask for an extension but, never presented a letter to the board and did not attend the board meeting. Her request was denied.

From the Floor: Becky Creech at 403 E Schott reported that someone is coming up on her porch. She has four cats and someone tried to skin the tail of one of her cats. What can she do because she doesn't want her cats hurt. After much discussion on this matter it was suggested that there may be a fine for cats running at large.

Rosemary Murphy also had a complaint about her neighbors dog getting loose all the time. She calls them when it gets loose and they chain it up but it keeps getting loose.

Amanda Organist reported that the Kiwanis Club is having a pancake breakfast on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 7am to 10am at the Community Building. They will also be hosting a baby shower for Clarity Pregnancy Service. Bring diapers and get you name in a drawing for a free meal.

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

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Joyce Bridgely, Councilwoman

  
Richard Smith, Councilman

