

Town Council Meeting
June 14th, 2021
Westport Town Hall

The Westport Town Council met in regular session at the Westport Town Hall, with the following present; Harry Pray III, President, Joyce Brindley, John Organist and Gloria Alumbaugh. Harry Pray called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge to the flag. Clerk Treasurer, Gloria Alumbaugh presented the minutes from the May 10th Council Meeting which were approved by John, seconded by Joyce.

Signing of Funeral Deeds, Payroll Vouchers, & Monthly Bills

Joyce made a motion to approve all deeds, payroll vouchers and claims, seconded by John. Council signed documents at the end of session.

Westport Water Project Updates:

Rachel gave an update on the progress of the water project. The council reviewed pay application #7 for Thieneman Construction which was approved by John, seconded by Joyce and signed by Harry. Commonwealth also presented change order A-3 and A-4 which was approved by the council. John led the discussion on the 950 Easement issue stating that imminent domain needs to be pursued to complete the water project, Joyce agreed but stated that the next best plan would be to add the booster station at the school, Harry agreed with both members and stated that they would seek legal advice from Scott Andrews so that the project can move forward.

Government Alley designated One Way:

Attorney Andrews was not present and topic was tabled to next monthly meeting.

Council accepted the monthly police report for May 2021.

From the Floor:

Delores Honeycutt complimented the property at Millstone Apartments, stating that the flowers and hedges are kept nice, making the property an asset to the community. Barb Winchester reported that the Covered Bridge Festival was a success with 98 dinners on the bridge and 24 out of 25 vendors at the festival which is now managed by Mainstreet, Inc. Carl Haas was invited to the meeting and he reported that he is repairing the barn structure on his property to turn into a small home since his mobile home caught on fire. Carl stated that he has been waiting on insurance to assist him and the mobile home will be removed from the property in the next two weeks. Carl stated that he is living in an apartment in North Vernon and his daughter is helping him complete paperwork for insurance. John Gant discussed the lock boxes that the Fire Department uses at Millstone apartments as well as other private residence in town. John explained that the lock box gives the fire department access to locked homes or apartments quickly when they would otherwise have to bust down doors. The lock box system costs approximately \$150 and is a great option especially for high-risk residents.

Amanda Vogle presented a letter of request to the council asking for an adjustment to her \$2,000 water bill at 404 N. Hughes St. that was caused by a leak that went on for months because she couldn't get a plumber out to fix the problem. John made a motion to approve the extended leak adjustment, seconded by Joyce.

John made a motion to close the monthly meeting, seconded by Joyce.

Harry Pray III, President

John Organist, Vice President

Joyce Brindley, Councilwoman
Treasurer

At: Gloria Alumbaugh, Clerk