

Board of Selectwomen Meeting  
January 10, 2024  
APPROVED MINUTES

The Westport Board of Selectwomen, Traffic Authority, and Water Pollution Control Authority held a public meeting on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 at 9:00 AM in the Westport Town Hall Auditorium, 110 Myrtle Avenue, Westport, Connecticut. In attendance were Jennifer Tooker, Andrea Moore (via telephone), Candice Savin (via telephone), Tom Kiely, Eileen Flug, Christine Alison, Dave Farrell, Foti Koskinas, Gary Conrad, Elio Longo, Al D'Amura, Kevin Godburn, Sibel Yorulmaz, presenters as noted in the minutes, members of the public, and Eileen Francis, recording secretary.

*NOTE: There were technical issues that prevented the entirety of the meeting to be taped.*  
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*The meeting was called to order with Jennifer Tooker and Andrea Moore sitting as a quorum. Selectwoman Candice Savin joined via telephone at approximately 9:20 AM*

MINUTES

1. Jennifer Tooker presented Item #1. Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Jennifer Tooker and passing by a vote of 2-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Board of Selectwomen's and the WPCA's meetings of December 13, 2023 are hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE REFUNDS OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS

2. Tax Collector Christine Alison presented Item, #2. Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Jennifer Tooker and passing by a vote of 2-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Tax Collector and in accordance with C.G.S. Sec. 12-129, the refunds of overpayments of taxes, as presented, are hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF \$30,500 FROM WESTPORT PRIDE INCORPORATED FOR INSTALLATION OF RAINBOW CROSSWALK ON JESUP ROAD AND TAYLOR PLACE

3. Director of Public Works Pete Ratkiewich presented on behalf of the Town of Westport and Westport Pride. Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Jennifer Tooker and passing by a vote of 2-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the Policy for Gifts to the Town, the monetary donation in the amount of \$30,500 from Westport Pride Incorporated for the specific purpose of funding the installation of the rainbow crosswalk at the intersection of the Town roadways known as Jesup Road and Taylor Place, and further, the recommendation of the gift for approval to the RTM, is hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE MOU BETWEEN THE TOWN AND WESTPORT PRIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE INSTALLED CROSSWALK AT JESUP ROAD AND TAYLOR PLACE

4. Attorney Doug LoMonte presented Item #4. Attorney LoMonte noted the conditions of the Memorandum, and that Westport Pride Incorporated was in agreement with the terms. Upon motion Andrea Moore, seconded by Jennifer Tooke and passing by a vote of 2-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that To take such action as the meeting may determine to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Westport and Westport Pride Incorporated, as it relates to the rainbow crosswalk installed at the intersection of the Town roadways known as Jesup Road and Taylor Place is hereby APPROVED.

*Selectwoman Candice Savin joined the meeting via telephone during Item #4 discussion.*

APPROVE REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT ON TOWN PROPERTY ADJACENT TO 177 MAIN STREET

5. Architect Patricia Gill and Construction Manager Dan Adams presented Item #5. Staff Corporal Al D'Amura provided comments as to safety conditions, including the need for site visits. The Agreement would include all the conditions requested by public safety officials and would be valid for a period of 30 days after execution. Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Candice Savin and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that the request for a temporary construction easement as it relates to installation of scaffolding on and over town property adjacent to 177 Main Street, for a period of time to be determined and contingent upon compliance with recommendations from relevant Town departments and final approval from the Town Attorney's Office, is hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE PARKING LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF WESTPORT AND WESTPORT BORAD OF EDUCATION FOR BUS PARKING AT GREENS FARMS RAILROAD STATION

6. Attorney Doug LoMonte, Deputy Police Chief Dave Farrell, and WPS CEO Elio Longo presented Item #6. Members of the public provided comments. Police Chief Foti Koskinas clarified raised issues and addressed safety concerns. Mr. Longo provided financial notes and stated that the Agreement would be reviewed by the BOE as well. Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Candice Savin and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that the Parking License Agreement between the Town of Westport and the Westport Board of Education as it relates to the temporary use of designated parking spaces in the CT DOT property known as Greens Farms Railroad Station Parking Area for First Student, Inc. employee and bus parking is hereby APPROVED.

APPROVE CONSULTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWN OF WESTPORT AND POSITIVE DIRECTIONS

7. Youth Services Director Kevin Godburn and Human Services Finance Manager Sibel Yorulmaz presented Item #7. This is a continuation of an agreement with Positive Directors. Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Candice Savin and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that upon the request of the Director of Human Services, the Consulting Agreement by and between the Town of Westport and Positive Directions – The Center for Prevention and Counseling, Inc. is hereby APPROVED.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Andrea Moore, seconded by Candice Savin and passing by a vote of 3-0, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

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Eileen Francis, Recording Secretary