

October 28, 2019

Supervisor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the flag salute at the advertised second monthly meeting of the Worcester Town Board, held in the Town of Worcester Municipal Building.

Present: Donald Lindberg ---- Supervisor
 Larry DeLong ---- Councilman
 Dave Miller ---- Councilman
 Harold Ridgeway ---- Councilman

Not Present: Don Zaengle ---- Councilman

Other Officials Present: Historian, Marilyn Dufresne; Bookkeeper, Alice Hughes; and Code Enforcement Officer, Barb Monroe

Others Present: Agnes Terrell, Diane Adesso, Rita Tetenes

Minutes: Councilman DeLong moved to accept the October 14, 2019 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ridgeway.

VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

Public Input: Marilyn Dufresne read an article she wrote in 2015 regarding a dog attack on Cook Street here in Worcester. Discussion ensued on the penalties for violations in the dog law. Councilman DeLong and Supervisor Lindberg will meet with the judges to make sure that they understand that the penalties listed in the local law are minimum penalties, and that they can assess whatever fine they feel is appropriate.

Highway Superintendent: Bid opening for a new highway pick-up will be held at 1:30pm on Thursday, October 31, 2019. The truck that was voted on and approved at the last meeting is no longer available. Now, the only way to get a truck in time for winter would be to put one out to bid.

Code Enforcement: Councilman DeLong and Barbara Monroe spoke about how site plan laws work in other communities. The site plan law that Councilman DeLong is proposing is modeled after the Town of Hartwick's law. The proposed law gives opportunity for public input on projects. Discussion followed on the benefits and detriments having such a law could have on projects.

Financial:

Resolution #103: Audit of Claims:

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Miller: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on abstract 10P:

General Fund:	claims: 222-229	\$1,980.87
Highway Fund:	claims: 1202-210	\$12,543.85

East Worcester Water #1	claims: 46	\$958.00
Worcester Water #2	claims: 58-60	\$2,630.25

VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

Resolution #104: Adopting the 2020 Budget

Introduced by Councilman Ridgeway and seconded by Councilman Miller:

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of Worcester held a public hearing on the 2019 Preliminary Budget on October 28, 2019 at 6:30pm.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Worcester heard the public comments, questions and concerns at said public hearing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Worcester hereby adopts the 2020 Town of Worcester budget exactly as presented at the public hearing.

VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, Miller, Ridgeway, DeLong) Noes: 0

Planning Board Report: Councilman DeLong and Chuck Thompson, Chairman of the Planning Board have scheduled an informal meeting with a potential new candidate for the Planning Board to fill a vacancy on the board. This candidate has experience on Planning Boards in other towns.

Old Business: Supervisor Lindberg spoke to the board about putting in an offer to buy the “Hogan Building” as a potential location for a highway department, pending voter approval. Discussion was had on putting down \$10,000 and if it will be refundable if the voters don't approve the project. Councilman Ridgeway moved, second by Councilman Miller to authorize Supervisor Lindberg to start the process of making and offer and report back to the board at the next meeting on the progress. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, Miller, Ridgeway, DeLong) Noes: 0

New Business: National Grid will be installing eight (5 in Worcester, 3 in East Worcester) new outlets on telephone poles. These outlets will used to hang additional holiday decorations.

Adjournment: Councilman Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeLong. VOTE: Ayes: 4 (Lindberg, DeLong, Miller, Ridgeway) Noes: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Beverland
Town Clerk