

**August 23, 2021**

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

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

**Others Present:** Agnes Terrell, Marilyn Dufresne, Rita Tetenes, Gynger O'Connor, Nancy Milavec, Chuck Thompson (Planning Board Chairman) and Rick Evans (Highway Supt)

**Minutes:** Councilman DeLong moved, second by Councilman Miller to accept the August 9, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented . VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox, Miller) Noes: 0

**Public Input:** Marilyn Dufresne thanked the highway department for installing the Seth Flint sign in the cemetery and thanked Supervisor Lindberg and Councilman Wilcox for attending the unveiling ceremony.

Nancy Milavec asked if town historical records could be moved out of the historical society to be stored at the municipal building. Highway Superintendent Rick Evans said that the highway department can do the moving on a day when they aren't busy with other projects.

**Highway Superintendent:** Rick Evans reported that the paving projects are complete. After paying for the paving and new excavator, there is still about \$113,000 left in CHIPS money. Mr. Evans would like to use \$13,000 of it for a new plow and wing and some money should be used for sealing of the roads that were paved this year and some roads that were paved in the past but never got sealed. Discussion followed on if the loader should be paid for out of CHIPS money. The board decided to use CHIPS money to pay for the loader.

**Financial:**

**Resolution #90: Audit of Claims:**

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Wilcox: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board approves payment of the bills listed on abstract 7P.

General Fund:	claims: 145-152	\$3,840.28
Highway Fund:	claims: 154-166	\$187,797.65
East Worcester Water #1	claims: 27-28	\$1,269.91
Worcester Water #2	claims: 51-53	\$2,947.96

VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox, Miller) Noes: 0

**Planning Board:** Chuck Thompson reported that the Planning Board has been discussing marijuana dispensaries. Some local towns are researching it and trying to decide if it would be in the best interest of their towns to allow dispensaries. Discussion followed on what the Town Board's role in this is and what should be considered. Chuck Thompson will see if someone with more knowledge can attend a meeting to answer some questions.

The Planning Board would like to invite the Town Supervisor or Town Board members to attend a Planning Board meeting.

**Old Business:** Councilman DeLong reported that Dev Kernan would like to do some private fund raising to offset the cost of abandoned cemetery maintenance. This would supplement the \$1500 budget line item that will be put in next years budget. The fund raising and money raised will not have anything to do with town finances and the Town will have no oversight on that money, but it will be used for cemetery maintenance.

Supervisor Lindberg reported that the quote to replace sidewalks is \$56 a foot. There is about 200 feet of sidewalks that should be replaced.

**Resolution #91: Sidewalk Replacement**

Offered by Councilman Ridgeway, second by Councilman Wilcox: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board accepts the quote from MVC Construction for the replacement of 200 feet of sidewalk at a cost of \$56 a foot. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox, Miller) Noes: 0

**New Business:** Councilman DeLong reported that Country Boy Realty in Worcester is handling the sale of the current bank building. The Bank of Richmondville has been contacted to see if they were interested in purchasing the building and opening a small branch in Worcester.

A quote for the repair of the pool house and replacement siding was received from Jay Allen in the amount of \$17,000. A grant from the Robinson-Broadhurst foundation was received in the amount of \$20,000 which will pay for the repairs.

**Resolution #92: Pool House Repairs**

Offered by Councilman Miller, second by Councilman Ridgeway: Be it resolved that the Worcester Town Board accepts the quote from Jay Allen to do the necessary pool house repairs and upgrades at a cost of \$17,000. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox, Miller) Noes: 0

**Adjournment:** Councilman Miller moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:43pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilcox. VOTE: Ayes: 5 (Lindberg, DeLong, Ridgeway, Wilcox, Miller) Noes: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Beverland  
Town Clerk