

TOWN OF WASHINGTON

TOWN BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Monday January 10, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Rutledge Room in the Community Center

A. ROLL CALL: By roll call vote present were Chairman Tim Jessen and Supervisors Liz Holmes, Randy Sorensen, Ron Overdahl and Carol Stayton.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Jessen led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS – No public comments were discussed at this time.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Stayton, seconded by Holmes to approve the minutes of the listed meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Town Board Meeting – December 8, 2010

E. APPROVAL OF BILLS (Including all Town Committee bills): Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Sorensen to approve all bills including the Town Committee bills. Motion carried unanimously.

F. DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORTS: Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Sorensen to approve all submitted department activity reports. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Public Works
2. Police
3. Rescue Squad
4. Fire Department
5. Landfill
6. Airport
7. Financial Report

G. COMMUNICATIONS: Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Overdahl to approve all submitted communications. Motion carried unanimously.

1. DOT – Final Calculation for calendar year 2011 general transportation aids
2. D.C. Planning Department - Education meeting for local officials for January 31, 2011
3. Becher-Hoppe - Environmental Monitoring Data for W.I. Landfill

H. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Appoint Town Board Member to Education Advisory Committee: Motion made by Stayton, seconded by Overdahl to discuss an appointment to the Education Advisory Committee. Motion made by Overdahl, seconded by Stayton to appoint Supervisor Liz Holmes to the Education Advisory Committee representing the Town Board. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Veolia: Service Agreement for increase for dumping and a 5 year service agreement: Motion made by Overdahl, seconded by Holmes to approve the Violaia 5 year service agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Economic Development Committee:: Motion made by Sorensen, seconded by Holmes to discuss the adoption of the ordinance changes concerning Section 12.58A 'Members' and 12.58B 'Term'. After discussion it was realized the ordinance they were discussing was never ratified in order to consider changes. Holmes moved to postpone action on this item until the February meeting. Seconded by Stayton. Motion carried unanimously.

I. NEW BUSINESS: Supervisor Stayton stated she was recusing herself from Item 3 and requested the order of discussion be changed with Item 4 being discussed prior to Item 3. Chairman Jessen acquiesced.

1. Police Training: Motion made by Stayton, seconded by Sorensen to approve the following listed training courses for Officers McGrane and Schultz. Motion carried unanimously.

- Gary Schultz – ARIDE- Advanced Roadside Impaired Drinking Enforcement.
- Tyler McGrane – Emergency Response Meeting

2. Funding & Approval of Ladder Truck: Motion made by Stayton, seconded by Overdahl to discuss the ladder truck. Motion carried. Motion made by Holmes seconded by Sorensen to approve purchasing the ladder truck using fire department funds. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Status of Landfill Personnel: Prior to motions, Supervisor Stayton recused herself from this item and left the meeting room. Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Overdahl to discuss the status of the landfill personnel.

During discussion Holmes and Sorensen both stated the need to request information through a letter from the two Landfill employees absent from work as to the status and/or nature of their absence from their positions with the Town. Holmes stated they should also have clearance from their physicians to return to work so a liability is not created.

They should also advise the Town if and/or when they expect to return to work and have supporting correspondence from their physician(s) to support their personal opinion.

Overdahls suggested the Town Attorney write or review the letter prior; however, Jessen stated a legal opinion will not be necessary or obtained in this matter.

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New Business, Item 3 cont.

The Board would like a response from the employee and/or physician prior to the February 9th, 2011 Town Board Meeting to be discussed at that meeting.

Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Jessen to send a letter to the two discussed Town employees requesting the above information. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approve Rec Center recommendation of Jenny Stults to serve as a Board Member on the Rec Center Committee: Motion made by Stayton seconded by Holmes to approve Jenny Stults to serve as a Recreation Center Committee Member. Motion carried unanimously.

J. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

- Supervisor Sorensen thanked Daniel Nerenhausen for the nice Christmas trees he provided downtown on Main Road.

K. PUBLIC COMMENTS, ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: No public comments given at this time.

- Officer McGrane stated the Police Department now has a website; www.WashingtonIslandPolice.com.

L. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 1) Regular Town Board Meeting - February 9, 2011

M. ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Holmes, seconded by Overdahl to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried at 8:06 p.m.

Valerie Carpenter, Clerk/Treasurer

Timothy H. Jessen, Chairman

Elizabeth Holmes

Randal Sorensen,

Carol Stayton

Ron Overdahl