

**TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH
TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2009**

A regular meeting of the West Greenwich Town Council was held on August 19, 2009. Present were Robert Butler, Mark Tourgee, Thaylen Waltonen, Susan Woloohojian and Kelly Stewart. Also present were Town Administrator Kevin Breene and Town Solicitor Michael Ursillo. Butler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE – KENNETH HOWARD

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Kenneth Howard who had served as Town Sergeant and Constable. Town Administrator Kevin Breene remarked on his life and contributions to the Town of West Greenwich.

Waltonen moved to set aside in the minute book in his memory. Woloohojian seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION – DONALD HARRINGTON

Mr. Donald Harrington was presented with the following Certificate of Appreciation

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Donald E. Harrington has been a resident of West Greenwich for most of his life, having been born, August 18, 1929, at the Sam Kettelle Farm, now known as the Applegate Farm, and he is a member of a family which settled here many generations ago and which is described as having been here “since forever”, and

WHEREAS, he, along with his brother, in 1957 started and then for many years ran the sawmill on Henry Brown Road and he was an esteemed businessman in the Town; and

WHEREAS, he has served the Town as a Council member in the years 1968 to 1970, and he was a founding member of the Conservation Commission, serving both as a member-at-large and as its Chairman for several years, and on which he is still a member; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, he and his brother sold 206 acres of their land to The Nature Conservancy so that it would be protected as Open Space and spared from development; and

WHEREAS, due to his having lived here for so long and to his many years of work in and service to the Town, he is a living treasure—trove of information on people and places and events of the history of West Greenwich, and many residents feel honored and proud to call him “friend”;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Robert S. Butler, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Town Council and on behalf of the entire Town Council and of the Conservation Commission and all our citizens, do hereby tender to Donald E. Harrington this certificate of public recognition, extending to him our deep appreciation for his distinguished service to the community, and our best wishes for the future.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE RENDERED,
This Certificate is presented on this date, August 19, 2009.

/s/ Robert S. Butler

Robert S. Butler, President

ATTEST: /s/ Janet E. Olsson

Janet E. Olsson, CMC
Town Clerk

Daniel Novak, Chairman of the Conservation Commission remarked on Donald's contributions to the Conservation Commission.

CONSENT AGENDA

Tourgee moved to approve the Consent Agenda as corrected with Correspondence Items 1,2,3,4 & 14 and Reports Items 2 & 8 removed for further consideration.

Stewart seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – abstain, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

I. MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF MEETING OF JULY 8, 2009
2. MINUTES OF MEETING OF AUGUST 5, 2009

II. REPORTS

1. TOWN CLERK RECEIPTS –JULY, 2009
2. PLANNING DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2009
3. TREASURER'S REPORT – JULY 28, 2009
4. YE FINANCIAL SUMMARY
5. POLICE DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2009
6. TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2009
7. BUILDING INSPECTOR'S OFFICE MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2009
8. ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT FOR WENDY TAVARES – AUGUST 7, 2009
9. PAYROLL REPORT
PAY PERIODS JULY 3, 2009 – AUGUST 7, 2009

III. CORRESPONDENCE

1. RI DEM
JULY 30, 2009
RE: NOTICE
APPLICATION OF HOPKINS HILL ROAD REALTY, LLC REQUESTING
PERMISSION TO ALTER FRESHWATER WETLANDS.

2. WEST GREENWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AUGUST 14, 2009
RE: NOTICE
APPLICATION OF HOPKINS HILL ROAD REALTY, LLC REQUESTING
PERMISSION TO ALTER FRESHWATER WETLANDS.
3. WEST GREENWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION – MINUTES OF
AUGUST 6, 2009 MEETING
4. STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
JULY 20, 2009
RE: NOTICE OF RELEASE OF FUNDS AWARDED TO THE TOWN FROM
THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.
5. WOOD-PAWCATUCK WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
AUGUST 7, 2009
RE: PAWCATUCK WATERSHED WATER USE OPTIMIZATION STUDY
6. US DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JULY 28, 2009
RE: COPS HIRING RECOVERY PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION
7. COPY OF LETTER FROM CHIEF CLAUDE N. TYLER, III
TO
DEP. CHIEF GREG HITCHCOCK
JULY 17, 2009
RE: SUSPENSION OF DUTIES
8. COPY OF LETTER FROM CHIEF OF POLICE RONALD LEPRE
TO
GREGORY HITCHCOCK
JULY 21, 2009
RE: SUSPENSION FROM POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF THE WEST
GREENWICH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
9. COPY OF LETTER FROM JOHN E. CHARTER, STATE FIRE MARSHAL
TO
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR KEVIN BREEN
JULY 22, 2009
RE: GREGORY HITCHCOCK - SUSPENSION OF DUTIES
10. FIRST SOUTHWEST COMPANY
JULY 15, 2009
RE: COPY OF INVOICE FOR DISCLOSURE SERVICES

11. COPY OF MEMO TO KEVIN A. BREENE, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
FROM COLLEEN J. DERJUE, TOWN TREASURER
JULY 28, 2009
RE: RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR RETIRED CHIEF GARY MALIKOWSKI
 12. BEACON MUTUAL INSURANCE CO.
JULY 15, 2009
RE: LOSS PREVENTION SERVICE VISIT
WORKERS' COMPENSATION POLICY #: 0000031214
 13. MORTON SALT
ICE CONTROL MARKETING
RE: BULK SAFE-T-SALT QUOTATION
 14. RI DEPT. OF HEALTH
JULY 22, 2009
RE: INFORMATION OF H1N1 IN RI
 15. FIRE BOARD OF ENGINEERS – MINUTES OF JUNE 22, 2009 MEETING
- IV. ABATEMENTS, ADDITIONS & REBATES**
1. REQUEST OF TAX ASSESSOR – AUGUST 6, 2009

**ABATEMENTS, ADDITIONS AND REBATES
2008-2009 TAX ROLL**

ACCT #	July NAME	AMOUNT	REASON
MV Abatements for Back Years 2008			
07-0164-85	GUARINO, PAULA	\$110.32	DIDNT OWN
13-0070-49	MALIKOWSKI, DANIELLE M	\$349.11	CAR TOTALED
MV Additions for Back Years 2008			
13-0070-49	MALIKOWSKI, DANIELLE M	\$137.63	CAR WAS TOTALED
MV Abatements 2009-2010			
02-0076-68	BARNEY, LORI A	\$371.40	CHARGED TWICE FOR SAME CAR
03-0275-35	CARDANELLI, GENE A	\$29.48	DIDNT OWN
03-0396-97	CUSHNER, LESLIE J	\$57.42	BELONGS IN WARWICK
04-0185-31	DWORKIN, ROBERT E II	\$371.99	WRONG ACCOUNT
07-0164-85	GUARINO, PAULA M	\$39.30	DIDNT OWN
13-0025-71	MADDEN, MARY	\$99.99	DIDNT OWN
13-0070-49	MALIKOWSKI, DANIELLE M	\$468.62	CAR WAS TOTALED
16-0182-00	PHILLIPS, ERNEST G JR	\$1,016.36	VALUE CORRECTION
19-0025-91	SANKEY, CHAD E	\$148.87	MILITARY EXEMPTION
20-0070-75	THURMAN, BILLY G III	\$480.60	MILITARY EXEMPTION
MV Additions 2009-2010			
02-0076-68	BARNEY, LORI A	\$137.63	REMOVED DUPLICATE CAR
03-0133-57	CARR, CHARLES E	\$638.98	ADDED FROM COVENTRY
03-0133-73	CARR, SUZANNE M	\$48.03	ADDED FROM COVENTRY
04-0185-28	DWORKIN, ROBERT E	\$371.99	WAS ON WRONG ACCOUNT
11-0073-86	KIST, KIMBERLY	\$57.37	ADDED FROM WEST WARWICK
13-0025-71	MADDEN, MARY	\$97.95	DIDNT OWN
13-0070-49	MALIKOWSKI, DANIELLE M	\$361.38	CAR WAS TOTALED
16-0182-00	PHILLIPS, ERNEST G JR	\$834.22	VALUE CORRECTION
Real Estate Abatements 2009-2010			
01-0169-99	ANDREWS, DANIEL W & LORI	\$6,785.83	REINSPECTED & REMEASURED
02-0194-96	BOCKES, ROBERT A & SANDRA S	\$5,106.84	ADJUSTED STABILIZED AMOUNT
19-0235-13	SOUCY, COLETTE BLANCHE	\$3,234.41	SHOULD HAVE BEEN STABILIZED
Real Estate Additions 2009-2010			
01-0169-99	ANDREWS, DANIEL W & LORI	\$5,226.19	REINSPECTED & REMEASURED
02-0194-96	BOCKES, ROBERT A & SANDRA S	\$5,026.19	ADJUSTED STABILIZED AMOUNT
19-0235-13	SOUCY, COLETTE BLANCHE	\$642.73	SHOULD HAVE BEEN STABILIZED
Tangible Abatements 2009-2010			
01-0204-08	ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$62.41	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
02-0182-60	BIG RIVER SPIRITS-FOND BEVERAGE CORP	\$5,798.50	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
03-0290-10	CONNEAUT INDUSTRIES	\$27,931.66	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
07-0052-00	GENERAL NUTRITION CENTERS INC	\$2,302.11	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
10-0007-84	J.C. TAVERN INC	\$613.34	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
11-0179-08	KRA (HOPKINS HILL) ACQUISITIONS LLC	\$13,597.80	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
13-0003-07	M + D RESTAURANT	\$151.19	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
19-0193-87	THOMPSON PUMP + MFG. CO INC	\$26.36	TAXED AS MV
20-0088-55	THOMPSON PUMP + MFG. CO INC	\$23,474.44	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
22-0032-85	VICTORY HIGHWAY DONUTS INC	\$5,824.71	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
Tangible Additions 2009-2010			
01-0204-08	ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$28.12	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
02-0182-60	BIG RIVER SPIRITS-FOND BEVERAGE CORP	\$825.73	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
03-0290-10	CONNEAUT INDUSTRIES	\$2,319.36	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
04-0005-16	DEL TUFO & SONS PLUMBING & HEATING	\$107.41	LATE FILING
07-0052-00	GENERAL NUTRITION CENTERS INC	\$882.79	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
07-0140-95	GRANDVILLE AT GREENWICH	\$6,353.40	LATE FILING
10-0007-84	J.C. TAVERN INC	\$228.94	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
11-0179-08	KRA (HOPKINS HILL) ACQUISITIONS LLC	\$13,540.10	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
13-0003-07	M + D RESTAURANT	\$109.88	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
20-0088-55	THOMPSON PUMP + MFG. CO INC	\$20,917.87	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR
22-0032-85	VICTORY HIGHWAY DONUTS INC	\$4,447.71	INVENTORY CHARGED IN ERROR

V. CHECK SUMMARY REPORT

1. JULY, 2009

OLD BUSINESS

TAX STABILIZATION

Discussion was held on the Tax Stabilization Report.

Waltonen moved to take no action on the Tax Stabilization and leave it as is.

Stewart seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST OF TAX ASSESSOR TO GO OUT TO BID FOR THE 2010 REVALUATION

Waltonen moved to grant the request of the Tax Assessor to out to bid for the 2010 revaluation. Woloohojian seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

REQUEST OF LAND TRUST FOR POLICE OFFICER FOR “CELEBRATE WEST GREENWICH “ EVENT ON OCTOBER 18, 2009

Mr. Steve Wright of the Land Trust was present.

A detail officer was requested for the “Celebrate West Greenwich” event.

Discussion was held on charging the civic rate and possibly the Police Dept. to sponsor an event at the same time.

Tourgee moved grant the request. Stewart seconded.

VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

REQUEST OF LAND TRUST FOR TOWN TO REQUEST OF DEM FOR GRANITE SLABS FROM THE STEP STONE FALLS SITE FOR INCORPORATION INTO A NEW LANDSCAPE PLAN AND WALL

Mr. Steve Wright of the Land Trust was present.

Discussion held on requesting DEM for permission to take granite slabs from the Step Stone Falls site for incorporation into a new landscape plan and wall for the Plain Meeting House. This was being done to deter vandalism.

Woloohojian moved that the Town send a letter to DEM for this request.
Waltonen seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye,
Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

EXETER-WEST GREENWICH YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION LEASE AGREEMENT REGARDING WATER

Discussion was held with representatives of the Youth Soccer, Ted Borges and Pete LePage and Tim Regan of the Water District.

Discussion was held on not charging for water for a certain period of time.

Woloohojian moved amend the lease by stating not charge for water for a period of 5 years and then subject to an annual review and to approve the lease as amended.
Waltonen seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye,
Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

RESIGNATION FROM LAND TRUST

Waltonen moved to accept with regret the resignation of Charlene Butler from the Land Trust. Woloohojian seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye,
Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

RHODY ROVERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF MOTORCYCLE RALLY RESCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 30, 2009

Waltonen moved to grant approval of the revised date. Woloohojian seconded.
VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

REQUEST OF CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES TO WORK DETAILS

This matter was referred to Executive Session.

The following items that were removed from the Consent Agenda were considered:

2. PLANNING DEPT. MONTHLY REPORT – JULY, 2009

Stewart questioned parking issue on Barnett Lane and BMX track which was on Planning Board agenda the same piece of property.

8. ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER REPORT FOR WENDY TAVARES –
AUGUST 7, 2009

Woloohojian noted that Animal Control Officer Tavares was calling owners of dogs that had not renewed their licenses.

It was also noted that the report requested a temporary shelter for animals.

1. RI DEM
JULY 30, 2009
RE: NOTICE
APPLICATION OF HOPKINS HILL ROAD REALTY, LLC REQUESTING
PERMISSION TO ALTER FRESHWATER WETLANDS.

Discussion was held the application of Hopkins Hill Road Realty, LLC requesting permission to alter freshwater wetlands.

Tourgee moved to send a letter of denial and to include the letter from the Conservation Commission.. Woloohojian seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

2. WEST GREENWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION
AUGUST 14, 2009
RE: NOTICE
APPLICATION OF HOPKINS HILL ROAD REALTY, LLC REQUESTING
PERMISSION TO ALTER FRESHWATER WETLANDS.

Conservation Commission noted their objections to the application to alter freshwater wetlands.

3. WEST GREENWICH CONSERVATION COMMISSION – MINUTES OF
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Woloohojian noted that over 500 households participated in the Eco Depot.

4. STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
JULY 20, 2009
RE: NOTICE OF RELEASE OF FUNDS AWARDED TO THE TOWN FROM
THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

Butler noted release of CDBG funds in the amount of \$281,000 to support the cost of replacing and relocation utility poles and electric wire serving the well pumps in the Blueberry Heights Mobile Home Park.

14. RI DEPT. OF HEALTH
JULY 22, 2009
RE: INFORMATION OF H1N1 IN RI

Stewart questioned the status of H1N1 response team in West Greenwich.

Chief Lepre reported on the progress.

Tourgee moved to accept the items removed from the Consent Agenda.

Woloohojian seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD

Waltonen moved to adjourn as the Town Council and convene as the Liquor Licensing Board at 9:12 p.m. Tourgee seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

RATIFICATION OF ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSE FOR LAKE MISHNOCK FIRE DEPT. FOR PIG ROAST ON AUGUST 15, 2009

Waltonen commented on the timing of this request.

Waltonen moved to grant the request retroactively. Tourgee seconded.

VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

Waltonen moved to adjourn as the Liquor Licensing Board and reconvene as the Town Council at 9:13 p.m. Stewart seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

PUBLIC FORUM

Adrian Knott thanked Highway Supervisor Claude Wright with his help on an issue.

Paul Kaltschnee thanked the Highway Dept. for a repair at the intersection of New London Turnpike and Division Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PURSUANT TO RIGL 42-46-5,A, 1, 2 - PERSONNEL & LITIGATION & COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Woloohojian moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-4,a 1 &2 at 9:24 p.m. Stewart seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

Waltonen moved to adjourn at 10:08 p.m. Stewart seconded. VOTED: Butler – aye, Tourgee – aye, Waltonen – aye, Woloohojian – aye, Stewart – aye.

Janet E. Olsson, CMC
Town Clerk

