

Board of Selectmen Special Meeting

June 16, 2020

APPROVED MINUTES

The Westport Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 1:00 PM.

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order No. 7B, there was no physical location for this meeting. It was held electronically, live streamed on www.westportct.gov, and broadcast on Westport's Optimum Government Access Channel 79 and Frontier Channel 6020

<https://view.earthchannel.com/PlayerController.aspx?PGD=westportct&eID=1065>

In attendance were Jim Marpe, Jennifer Tooker, Melissa Kane, Eileen Flug, presenters as noted in the minutes, and Eileen Francis, recording secretary.

APPROVE USE OF IMPERIAL AVENUE PARKING LOT FOR "SUPPER AND SOUL" CAR-CONCERT EVENT

1. Executive Director of the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce Matthew Mandell and Westport Library Executive Director Bill Harmer, as co-applicants, presented Item #1. Mr. Mandell explained how the organizers would set up and make arrangements to effectively manage the "car concert" concept in a safe and healthy manner, including complying with all the social distancing rules and recommendations currently in effect due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Mr. Mandell stated that, if approved, the permission would be contingent upon confirmation that the car event, as described, was permitted by the State of Connecticut. (NOTE: on June 17, 2020, via email, the State DECD confirmed its approval for the type of event) Mr. Mandell described the protocols that would be in place, including how the area would be set up, how the sound monitoring would be utilized to reduce impact on neighboring properties; that the band will be scheduled to perform between 6-8 pm, and that the appropriate security and police detail would be hired. Comments and questions from residents received via email during the comment portion of the meeting were addressed and are included in the meeting back up material.

There was discussion concerning the dates and the impact on neighboring properties because of the July 4 holiday. Mr. Mandell stated that July 3 with a rain date of July 5 were potential alternates and that he would confirm as soon as possible. The final resolution reflects the possibility of revision to the proposed dates. (NOTE: on June 18, 2020, Mr. Mandell confirmed that the event would take place on July 3, with a rain date of July 5)

Upon motion by Jim Marpe, seconded by Melissa Kane and passing by a vote of 3-0, it was:

RESOLVED, that the request from the Westport Weston Chamber of Commerce to use Town property known as Imperial Avenue Parking Lot on Saturday, July 4, 2020, (rain date July 11, 2020) with possible revision to Friday, July 3, 2020 (rain date July 5, 2020) from 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM for a "Supper and Soul Concert," contingent upon compliance with comments and safety recommendations from relevant Town departments and in accordance with the Town Policy on the Use of Town Property, Facilities and Public Roadways, and upon further confirmation of the specific dates for the use, is hereby APPROVED.

ADJOURN

Upon motion by Jim Marpe, seconded by Melissa Kane and passing by a vote of 3-0, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM

Eileen Francis, Recording Secretary