

WESTPORT HOUSING AUTHORITY
5 Canal Street, Westport, Connecticut
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
November 6, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Attendees: D. Newberg, G. Halloran, C. Martin, K. Wauchope, T. Bloch, J. Nixon, A. Sayegh, A. Santamaria, B. Whitaker

The WHA Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM when there was a quorum.

There was no public participation.

The meeting minutes for the Special Meeting on October 16, 2019 was unanimously approved, with T. Bloch abstaining from the vote.

B. Whitaker reviewed the cash position report, and we are monitoring the debt service coverage ratio for Sasco Creek to insure we meet the 1.15 at 12/31/19. T. Bloch inquired about the Canal Park payables listed on the report. C. Martin updated the Board with the progress towards resolution of the WPCA fees for Hidden Brook and Hales Court. Next steps are to educate the WPCA on why these fees are harmful to sustaining the assets and seeking the support for waiving past, present and future fees, and/or assessments. E. Flug, the Town Attorney, stated that the two properties would need to be owned by the Westport Housing Authority (WHA) so we will need to transfer fee simple title to the WHA as a condition of any approval. Atty. John Peloso has been assisting with the contents of the WPCA letter requesting to appear before the WPCA. C. Martin to prepare some details on the current financial state of these two properties for presentation purposes.

C. Martin thanked A. Sayegh for coordination of contractor and residents to have 1655 Post Road East properties, and Hales Court completely restriped. C. Martin working with a heat trace vendor to resolve the sprinkler closet freeze ups at Sasco Creek, that have occurred during last winter.

Andrea Santamaria advised that the Canal Park Wii bowling team was eliminated from the playoffs. The Thursday Misfits is a popular program for Canal Park residents. Amanda also advised that we are actively looking to hire an additional resident services coordinator through handshake. Interviews are being conducted.

D. Newberg updated the Board on a couple of potential development site opportunities.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.