

**RTM Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2023
7:30 p. m. Westport Town Hall**

The call

1. To take such action as the meeting may determine, upon the recommendation of the First Selectwoman and a request by the Fire Chief, to approve the Amended and Restated Hazardous Materials Response Mutual Aid Agreement.
2. To take such action as the meeting may determine, upon the recommendation of the Director of Public Works, to adopt a resolution to authorize First Selectwoman Jennifer S. Tooker to accept on behalf of the Town of Westport, a 2022 Connecticut STEAP Grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 and to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2022 STEAP Grant with the State of Connecticut.
3. To take such action as the meeting may determine, upon the request of at least 2 RTM members, to adopt an ordinance restricting the use of gas-powered leaf blowers in Westport. (Second reading. Full text available in the Town Clerk's Office).

The meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

There were 31 members of the RTM present. Absent: Tait, Shaum, Cohn and Newman.

Voting on the following resolutions:

1.Resolved: That the Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement Fairfield County Hazardous Incident Response Team in the form presented to this meeting (the “Interlocal Agreement”) and in accordance with the recommendation of the Chief of the Westport Fire Department, is hereby RATIFIED and APPROVED; and

Further Resolved: That the Chief of the Westport Fire Department is authorized to present the Interlocal Agreement to the First Selectwoman for her approval and signature.

By show of hands, the motion passes 28-0. O’Day, Lowenstein, Batteau not present for vote.

2. Resolved: That First Selectwoman Jennifer S. Tooker be, and hereby is, authorized to accept on behalf of the Town of Westport, a 2022 Connecticut STEAP Grant in the amount of \$250,000 for Reconstruction of Greens Farms School Sidewalks; and

Further Resolved: That First Selectwoman Jennifer S. Tooker is hereby authorized to enter into and execute any and all agreements, contracts and documents necessary to obtain said 2022 STEAP Grant with the State of Connecticut.

By show of hands, the motion passes 28-0. O'Day, Lowenstein, Batteau not present for vote.

3. Resolved: That upon the request of at least 2 RTM members, an ordinance restricting the use of gas-powered leaf blowers in Westport is hereby adopted. (Second reading).

By roll call vote, amendment to extend to 2025 failed. 12-19

By roll call vote, amendment to add text regarding the hazards of Lithium Batteries failed 8-23

By roll call vote, the main motion passes 22-9.

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey M. Dunkerton
Town Clerk