

**TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH**

**TOWN COUNCIL**

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**SPECIAL MEETING**

**MARCH 24, 2014**

A meeting of the West Greenwich Town Council was held on March 24, 2014. Present were Mark Tourgee, Susan Woloohojian, Robert Andrews, and Thomas Mulcahey. Also present were Town Administrator Kevin Breene, Town Treasurer Danielle Andrews and Tax Assessor/Collector Charlene Randall.

**A. CALL TO ORDER - 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Council Vice President Woloohojian moved to open the meeting and dispense of the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. Councilman Andrews seconded.

VOTED: Tourgee - aye, Woloohojian - aye, Andrews - aye, Mulcahey –aye

**B.**

**1. DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON RESOLUTION REGARDING S 2677-TAXATION-  
LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES**

Charlene Randall, Tax Assessor/Collector explained the effects of proposed bill S 2677 and H 7631 and the burden on tax payers should this pass.

Council Vice President Woloohojian moved to draft a resolution opposing S 2677 and H 7631 regarding Levy and Assessment of Local Taxes. Councilman Mulcahey seconded.

VOTED: Tourgee - aye, Woloohojian - aye, Andrews - aye, Mulcahey –aye

**2. WORK SESSION ON FY 2014/2015 BUDGET**

Chief Tyler and Douglas Etchells from Lake Mishnock Fire Department explained their request to purchase a replacement of Engine No. 1 at a cost of \$260,000.00.

Councilman Mulcahey stated concern with a refabricated truck.

Council President Tourgee questioned if the Board of Engineers had reviewed this proposal. Councilman Mulcahey advised the Board of Engineers had allowed this request to go forward to the Council.

Discussion ensued on trucks researched and cost.

Council President Tourgee stated concern with affording both purchases.

Discussion ensued on rescue recovery.

Discussion ensued of funding available from Lake Mishnock Fire Department.

Town Administrator Breene advised funds provided by the Town would need to go out to bid.

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Councilman Mulcahey requested Lake Mishnock provide the Town Council with the proposal and warranty information on the engine.

Chief Parkinson and Ray Kelley from Hianloland Fire Department reviewed their request to purchase a rescue.

Discussion ensued on rescues of Hianloland and maintenance performed.

Council President Tourgee questioned if the Board of Engineers have prioritized. It was advised that the Board of Engineers had not prioritized.

Discussion ensued on the Board of Engineers.

Discussion ensued on future plans with capitol funding.

Council President Tourgee commented on future allocation of funding and allowing the Board of Engineers to make those decisions.

Chief Tyler stated concern with referring this matter to the Board of Engineers.

Discussion ensued on fire district.

Discussion ensued on the Board of Engineers responsibility.

Discussion ensued on a five year replacement plan.

Council Vice President Woloohojian questioned if funding would be available from Hianloland. They advised they had applied for a grant.

Annette Feldman, Louttit Librarian arrived to review proposed budget request.

Council President Tourgee discussed concern with State agencies' use of the Community Center.

Discussion ensued on use of Community Center.

Discussion ensued on requested budgets.

Discussion ensued on Fire Department audits.

Councilman Mulcahey updated the Council on his proposal for funding the Fire Departments.

The reserve budget was reviewed.

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Councilman Andrews moved to set a budget workshop for March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 P.M. Councilman Mulcahey seconded. VOTED: Tourgee - aye, Woloohojian - aye, Andrews - aye, Mulcahey –aye

Council Vice President Woloohojian moved to adjourn at 9:23 P.M. Councilman Andrews seconded. VOTED: Tourgee - aye, Woloohojian - aye, Andrews - aye, Mulcahey –aye

**ERIN F. LIESE, CMC  
TOWN CLERK**