

TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH

TOWN COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

MARCH 31, 2014

A meeting of the West Greenwich Town Council was held on March 31, 2014. Present were Mark Tourgee, Susan Woloohojian, Robert Andrews, Gregory Coutcher and Thomas Mulcahey. Also present were Town Administrator Kevin Breene, Town Treasurer Danielle Andrews, Tax Assessor/Collector Charlene Randall and Claude Wright, Public Works Director.

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 Coutcher seconded.

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

2. WORK SESSION ON FY 2014/2015 BUDGET

Town Administrator Breene updated the Council on the proposed budget.

Danielle Andrews, Town Treasurer reviewed the revised drafted budget.

The sports group requested budget was reviewed.

Council President Tourgee discussed concern with raising taxes.

Discussion ensued on the school budget.

Discussion ensued on the use of surplus to balance the budget.

The Public Works department budget was reviewed.

The history of the surplus budget was discussed.

Claude Wright, Public Works director stated concern with the history of funding to maintain roads and vehicles.

Councilman Mulcahey discussed raising taxes.

Council President Tourgee and Council Vice President Woloohojian reiterated concern with raising taxes.

The fire rescue budget was reviewed.

Discussion ensued on rescue recovery.

Claude Wright, Public Works director departed at 7:54 P.M.

Discussion ensued on fire department expenses.

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Discussion ensued on fire departments financial records, audits and equipment.

Town Administrator Breene recommended raising the Town Clerk's salary effective July 1, 2014 and also recommended Andrea Langford be promoted Deputy Treasurer, with salary increase.

Council President Tourgee questioned the current salary of the Town Treasurer. Town Administrator Breene advised it was \$56,000.

Charlene Randall, Tax Assessor/Collector advised the Council on tax figures and stated final numbers should be ready by next week.

Council Vice President Woloohojian moved to adjourn at 8:43 P.M. Councilman Coutcher seconded.

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

ERIN F. LIESE, CMC
TOWN CLERK