

November 6, 2023
COUNCIL MEETING

The Westbrook City Council met on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Room.

Members present: Mayor Dennis Phelps, Manda Jorgenson, Brian Cassens, Kelly Brown and Dennis Jutting

Others present: Chief Hubin, Carl Conrad and Ginny Barron

Motion by Jutting and seconded by Brown to approve the minutes from the October 2, 2023 council meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Police report was presented. Lengthy discussion regarding landlord properties, unlicensed pets, potentially dangerous dogs and dangerous dogs in town. Chief Hubin is working with the City Attorney on the potentially dangerous dogs, however council feels as though we need to sit down with the City Attorney and move forward with a stricter set of ordinances with an action plan. A majority feel that landlords and dog owners need to be held more accountable.

Conrad stated that the sewer pumps were inspected and some repairs need to be made. Repairs will happen over time. Street department is currently sweeping. Steen stated that herself, Jorgenson and Herding got a group together to start looking at swimming pool repairs and raising funds for it. Steen stated the liner needs to be replaced, pool decking redone and hopes to make the bathhouse more ADA compliant. It would ideal to add on a pump room instead of having the chemicals accessible to the general public.

Barron was present stating that she purchased property on a tax forfeited sale with Cottonwood County. On the listed property were 2010 Street Assessment, mowing charges and interest. Council reviewed the current charges. Motion by Cassens and seconded by Jorgenson to invoice in full payment of \$762.84 and not reassess. Barron agreed to pay in full instead of reassessing charges. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jorgenson and seconded by Cassens to approve Side by Side permit submitted by Stresemann. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jutting and seconded by Brown to deem property located at 822 1st Avenue as a public nuisance according to current City Codes. All Voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jorgenson and seconded by Jutting to proceed with cleanup at 822 1st Avenue by our City department and assess the cost to the property. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Brown and seconded by Cassens to approve Resolution 11-2023 to approve Minor Subdivision. All voted in favor. Motion carried. 3 yay 0 nay

Motion by Brown and seconded by Jutting to forgo the trade-in previously stated and approve the Westbrook Ambulance to sell the old Zoll machine to the City of Storden and City of Jeffers. Lindaman stated that Storden is willing to pay \$5,500 however was not clear on Jeffers amount. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Brown and seconded by Jutting to approve bills in the amount of \$69,137.70. Check #57898-57981. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jorgenson and seconded by Brown to adjourn. All voted in favor. Motion carried.