

March 3, 2025
COUNCIL MEETING

The Westbrook City Council met on Monday, March 3, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Council Room.

Members present: Mayor Rocky Kolar, Brian Cassens, Manda Jorgenson, Randy Swan and Kelly Brown
Others present: Bret Lindaman, Chief Mike Hubin, Jim Noding and James Hicks

Motion by Cassens and seconded by Brown to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2025 council meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Police report was presented. Cleanup letters were sent out and a second inspection was done. 2nd notices will be mailed with a deadline of April 7th.

Lindaman with the Ambulance Service stated that the back doors of the 2nd rig needed work done. A quote of \$2,057 was given but once it was in the body shop it was discovered there are more things that need fixing resulting in a higher cost. Lindaman will check with Arrow to see if they would consider helping with any of the cost. Lindaman submitted an estimate to move the power lift from old rig to new rig. The cost is 1,259.74. Motion by Jorgenson and seconded by Cassens to proceed. Lindaman submitted a quote on a power step for the new rig. This would help the nurses and responders access the back of the rig safely since it is higher off the ground. There will also be install fees on top of this, however Lindaman does not know what that would be. Motion by Cassens and seconded by Jorgenson to proceed. Motion by Brown and seconded by Cassens to sell the 2016 to Storden First Responders in the amount of \$20,000.00. Motion by Jorgenson and seconded by Brown to pay the invoice for a second battery charger for the Lucas. All voted in favor. Motions carried for all.

Motion by Cassens and seconded by Brown to approve Resolution 3-2025 Accepting Donation to the City. All voted in favor. Motion carried. 4 yay 0 nay

Kolar presented council with an estimate on purchasing the Westbrook Public Utilities pickup. Kolar got pricing information from Higley Ford for the 2015 Ford with 36,700 miles. Utilities would be willing to sell it for \$24,000. The agreement would be to forgo the \$24,000 transfer in from the utilities to the city for 2025 year instead of writing a check. Kolar also stated that the guys will not be driving their personal vehicles anymore. Motion by Cassens and seconded by Brown to approve the purchase. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Jim Noding presented a building permit application to council for a 7-unit storage building. Kolar expressed concern that this was a commercial structure in a residential zone. Noding stated that the building would be just for him and his personal items. He can build this cheaper than a regular storage shed. Property line placement was a question and we will find that when the frost is out of the ground. Doors will face the west side and building diagram states 6 ft from property line, however the setback is 8ft (10% of frontage). Hicks stated that it will be 10ft from the line. Kolar stated that he needs to have utilities look at the permit application. Motion by Cassens and seconded by Swan to table the building permit until utilities can see it and pin placement. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Steen stated that she would like to have the MN Safety Consultation come back in do a mock inspection. This may cost some dollars for each department as we would need to fix what they write us up on. Motion by Jorgenson and seconded by Swan to move forward. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Brown and seconded by Cassens to approve bills in the amount of \$122,759.77. Check #59413-59458. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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