

# Minutes of the Willimantic Taxing District Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Windham Town Hall Bellingham Auditorium, 2nd Floor  
Tuesday, June 28, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.

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**1. Call to Order. Pledge of Allegiance**

Lynne Ide, President of the Willimantic Taxing District, called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Lynne Ide, Nectalis Martinez, Thomas DeVivo, James Flores (arrived at 7:12 PM) and Lorraine McDevitt

Dennis O'Brien and Charles Krich were excused.

Town Manager Neal Beets was also in attendance.

**2. Public Comment**

Al Kizilcan spoke about the sewer lines on 77-79 North Street.

**3. Councilmember Comment**

None

**4. Approval of Minutes**

**a. Regular Meeting of May 24, 2016**

**b. Special Meeting of June 8, 2016**

DeVivo MOVED, Martinez seconded, to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 24, 2016. All were in favor except McDevitt who abstained. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

McDevitt MOVED, DeVivo seconded, to approve the Special Meeting minutes of June 8, 2016 with a correction to show Lorraine McDevitt was in attendance. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**5. Report from the Police Chief. Discuss and possibly take action.**

**a. PD Operating Statistics.**

**b. PD Budget Update for current fiscal year.**

Lt. Rob Rosado gave an overview of the Operating Statistics. He noted the stats are comparable to last year with the exception of motor vehicle stops which are down and the end of year college parties and stolen motor vehicles which are higher. He also reported on two major crimes that took place and reported on general updates regarding the departments staffing.

In addition, Lt. Rosado reported on the Youth Leadership Program beginning July 11<sup>th</sup>. He noted 35 youths will be attending the week long program and he stated the Drug Free Community Grant is funding the program.

Lt. Rosado also invited everyone to attend the Retirement Celebration for Chief Lisa Maruzo-Bolduc and he provided the information for the event.

Captain Jack Reed gave a budget update. He explained when looking at the report the numbers look deceiving due to money from grants not being accounted for in certain line items. He noted he is working with the Finance Director to correct the problem and is hoping to provide a more accurate budget report at the next meeting.

Lt. Rosado and Captain Reed answered questions from the Willimantic Taxing District Council.

**6. Report from the Fire Chief. Discuss and possibly take action.**

- a. FD Operating Statistics.**
- b. FD Budget Update for current fiscal year.**
- c. Consider replacing the FD boat.**

Fire Chief Scrivener reported on the Operating Statistics. He reviewed the projects that are underway including the cut over of the natural gas station on South Street and he explained the procedures that will be in place during the project. He also noted the EPA reprogrammed the requirements for diesel emissions and explained the effect it has on the ambulance. Fire Chief Scrivener also reported that a committee had been formed to research the purchase of another fire truck. In addition, he stated personnel was on hand for the Boom Box Parade to handle any medical needs during the 90 degree event.

Fire Chief Scrivener gave a budget update and noted there were no problem areas. He explained he was working with the Finance Director to reconcile some accounts and noted he will provide a closed out budget report upon receiving one.

Fire Chief Scrivener also requested the Willimantic Taxing District Council consider replacing the current fire department boat. He gave a brief background of the boats history and provided the specs for a new boat.

DeVivo MOVED, McDevitt seconded, to approve the expenditure of \$5,000 for the purchase of a new boat for the fire department to be used for water rescue. All were in favor. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Fire Chief Scrivener answered questions from the Willimantic Taxing District Council.

**7. Report from the Town Manager. Discuss and possibly take action.**

No Report

**8. Future Agenda Items**

None

**9. Public Comment.**

James Flores questioned why the Windham Public Schools could not campaign to encourage residents to vote.

Town Manager Beets stated he had asked every Department Head to use the resources available to them to encourage people to vote.

**10. Adjournment**

DeVivo MOVED, McDevitt seconded, to adjourn the Willimantic Taxing District Regular Meeting at 8:00 P.M.

**Submitted By:**  
**Barbara J. McKinney**  
**Clerk of the Council**