

# Agenda

# Williamstown City Council

09/19/17

7:30 PM

City Council Chambers

**Type of meeting:** Regular Meeting

**Attendees:** Mayor and City Council Members, City Attorney, and City Clerk

## Agenda topics

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Call Roll
4. Minutes of Previous Meeting
5. Pay Bills
6. Trick or Treat will be Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 6:30-8:00pm

## Other Items Which May Be Discussed:

1. Administrative Issues
2. Community Swimming Pool
3. Park Committee
4. Planning Commission
5. Board of Zoning Appeals
6. Tree Committee
7. Water Dept.
8. Sanitary / Storm Water Board
9. Sidewalk Plan

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WILLIAMSTOWN CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPT. 19, 2017

The Williamstown City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 7:30pm. Those in attendance were Mayor Jean Ford, Councilpersons Marty Seufer, Jim Stage, Barbara Lewis, and Ron Erb, City Attorney Blaine Myers, and City Clerk/Treasurer Susan Knopp.

Mayor Ford called the meeting to order and Chief of Police Shawn Graham led Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Stage and second by Lewis to approve and dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, all voted yes.

On a motion by Erb and second by Lewis to approve the current bills for payment, all voted yes.

Mayor Ford announced that 'Trick or Treat' would be held on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

Mayor Ford asked for a budget revision to move \$25,000 into a fund for removal of abandoned and dilapidated buildings in town.

Councilman Seufer said the City would seek to recoup the funds used by placing a lien on the property.

On a motion by Seufer and second by Stage for a budget revision to move \$25,000 from contingencies into a demolition and clean-up fund, all voted yes.

Atty. Myers reminded Mayor Ford the Building Safety Commission has two vacancies that need filled.

Councilman Seufer stated the Park Committee would have a meeting with Scots Landscaping about the placement of trees in the boat ramp park.

Public Works Director Alan Gates stated crack sealant work on streets would begin next week, and asked everyone to use caution.

Councilman Erb stated the Sanitary/Storm Water Board discussed the storm water problem off of Edgelawn Ave. The city engineer estimated materials would cost \$16,000 to repair the problems. He stated the Mondo project was coming along. There was also a discussion concerning rain gardens which will be utilized in the Courtyards at Tuckers Landing project.

Several residents living on East Ninth Street were present to complain about traffic problems on their street. They suggested some solutions to the problems including, limiting parking to one side, lowering the speed limit, adding stop signs, or adding speed bumps. They also asked if sidewalks were being discussed for East Ninth Street.

Councilwoman Lewis said the State said the City would need to buy a bunch of property in order to install sidewalks.

Chief Graham said the police have spent 8 to 10 hours observing traffic in this area and 35 mph was the fastest anyone was caught driving.

Councilman Seufer said he liked the stop sign idea.

Public Works Director Gates said speed bumps would cause problems plowing the road in winter.

Ninth Street resident Glen Kelly stated he was the former city manager in Morgantown and he felt the stop sign idea was the best. He said speed bumps destroy the roads and limiting parking causes problems also.

After some discussion, Chief Graham said they could add more speed limit signs with the wording "strictly enforced" on them.

Mayor Ford thanked everyone for coming. She said they would start with some stop signs and see if this works, and encouraged everyone to come back and let Council know how it is working.

Susie Warman, with the Alzheimer's Walk stated they would set up this Friday for Saturday morning's walk. She asked for some help with traffic control. Chief Graham said he would discuss this with her after the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.