

**Westport School Committee  
Regular Meeting  
DATE: Tuesday, December 3, 2024  
TIME: 6:00 p.m.  
PLACE: WMHS Auditorium**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Gloria Cabral, Evan Gendreau, Jason Pacheco, Melissa Pacheco

**Members Absent:** Christopher Thrasher

**Also Present:** Thomas Aubin Superintendent, Jack Keane Student Representative, Ryan Keane Student Representative, Lori Melo Executive Secretary, Michelle Rapoza School Business Manager, 0 Community Participants

**I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** - Chair Evan Gendreau opened the Regular School Committee Meeting at 6:11 pm. with a quorum of the members present, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Evan Gendreau announced Under MGL Chapter 30A, section 20(f) – This meeting is being recorded.

**II. Comments and Statements from the Public** - There were none.

**III. Informational Agenda**

A. Student Representatives –

Ryan Keane reported the following for the Middle School - Information for the Middle School Student Council News can be emailed to Mrs. Tripp and Paiva, Sophomore class is running a Giving Tree Fundraiser to support the class and the food bank, Middle School Student Council is hosting a Food and Family Fun Drive until December 12 collecting can goods and toys, they are performing various acts of kindness over the next few months, Early Release will be December 12, Middle School students will be decorating hallways with a Winter Wonderland theme, Middle School Basketball tryouts started this week with the season to begin soon, December 16 is the Winter Middle School Chorus Concert, December 17 will be the Winter Band Concert.

Jack Keane reported the following for the High School - December 11 marks term 2 halfway point with progress reports available on the portal December 16, Winter break begins December 23 resuming on January 6, Pep Rally/Spirit Week will begin December 16 through December 20, December 19 is the Westport's Got Talent Show, Westport Athletic Boosters will host a wrestling event December 15 with tickets available on Eventbrite.com, Winter sports tryouts are underway with the season starting soon.

B. Superintendent Report – Mr. Aubin had no report.

c. Committee Liaison Reports -

Mr. Pacheco and Ms. Cabral had nothing new to report.

Ms. Pacheco reported there was a Capital Improvements Planning Committee CIPC meeting she could not attend. Chair Gendreau attended this meeting and reported there was no update relative to the school budget.

Chair Gendreau reported the Long-Term Building Committee meeting had a vote taken on the feasibility study including the old high school. They are going forward with RGB Architects with a completion date in June 2025.

D. Staff and Student Attendance Reports - Chair Gendreau mentioned that all members received copies of these reports and asked if there were any comments or questions from the committee? There were none.

E. WCS Bill Warrants: 11/29/2024 - Chair Gendreau reported bill warrant dated 11/29/2024 in the amount of \$473,406.97 were emailed to school committee members for review.

Chair Gendreau asked if there were any questions? There were none.

F. Memoranda of Agreement with the Westport Federation of Teachers - Chair Gendreau placed this item on the agenda in the event any approvals were done. The committee held an Executive Session today with no approvals.

G. Macomber Loop Water Project - Chair Gendreau reported this is a grant funded project to tie in water to the Macomber School. Plans are being developed with roadways resurfaced in 2025.

Chair Gendreau asked if there were any questions? There were none.

H. FY26 Budget - Chair Gendreau reported the committee has been meeting regularly in open session with each department to discuss budget requests. The committee will continue to review the budget in open session and then will vote on a recommended budget to be submitted to the town.

Chair Gendreau asked if there were any questions? There were none.

**IV. Action Agenda**

A. Review and Act on SC Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, November 19, 2024 and SC Work Session Minutes – Tuesday, November 19, 2024 -

A motion was made to approve SC Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, November 19, 2024 and SC Work Session Minutes for Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

Motion by JPacheco, seconded by Cabral 4/0/0

V. **Routine Matters - Correspondence and Notices** - There were none.

VI. **Topics the Chair could not Reasonably Anticipate Forty-eight (48) Hours in Advance of the Meeting** - There were none.

VII. **Adjourn** - A motion was made to adjourn. With members being present and voting individually and unanimously, the motion passes.

Motion by Cabral, seconded by JPacheco 4/0/0

Roll call vote:

Cabral Yes Gendreau Yes JPacheco Yes MPacheco Yes

The School Committee Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

**Meeting Documents**

Staff and Student Attendance Reports  
WCS Bill Warrant: 11/29/2024

