

THE WESTPORT AREA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting

December 15, 2015

MINUTES

**ATTENDANCE:** Sandra Billieu, Mike Gasper, Terry Green, Bonnie Hahn, Terri McGrath, Greg Watkins, Teresa Watkins, Diana Wildman, Dana Witkemper

**Absent:** Lizette Bell

The meeting was called to order by Diana Wildman, President.

Board members for 2016 were confirmed.

Officers were nominated as follows:

- Vice President – Sandra Billieu
- Treasurer – Teresa Watkins
- Secretary – Bonnie Hahn
- Public Relations – Sandra Billieu
- Membership – Terry Green
- New Business – Mike Gasper

There are several updates to be made to the By- Laws. In Section 2 under Membership Committee Chairman, Public Relation Committee Chairman and New Business Committee Chairman, **The number of members to be including was removed.** A suggestion was made to ask and encourage other members to help in these areas. Also in Section 6 regarding discipline for board members missing meetings, the wording was changed to **“In the case continued absence is due to work responsibilities, health and family necessities, the President will discuss with the board member involved if dismissal can be waived”.** Mike moved to make the above changes to the By Laws and Terri seconded. Motion carried. Dana will file the updates with the Secretary of State.

The board discussed Christmas decorations and current condition of the large light fixtures. We had damage to another one near Clarkson’s Market. Mike will contact the Light Company to come out to look at new options. An amount to be spent on the new items will be determined at the January meeting. The lights on the Covered Bridge were also a hit this year but we could use some more to add for next year. Dana moved to spend \$200 to purchase more lights for the bridge. Terri seconded. Motion carried. Diana and Sandra will take care of purchasing the lights.

Signed: Dana Witkemper