

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOS MEETING

TOWN OF WESTBROOK  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Thursday, February 4, 2021  
Via ZOOM

CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Bishop called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. In attendance included: First Selectman Bishop, Selectman Hall and Selectman Fuchs, and Attorney Jiran.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Bishop made a motion to go into Executive Session at 10:06 a.m. to discuss Constable Negotiations. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Invited into the Executive Session: Attorney Jiran, Suzanne Helchowski.

The Executive Session Recessed 10:10 a.m.

Executive Session resumed at 10:23 a.m.

Regular Session resumed at 11:09 a.m.

Mr. Bishop made a motion to approve the agreement between the United Public Service Employees Union, Westbrook Police Unit and the Town of Westbrook, dated 7/1/20 through 6/30/22 as presented. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed with Selectman Fuchs voting “nay”.

Selectman Fuchs expressed disappointment in the negotiation process and voted “nay” for the following reasons:

- The contract does not require constables to work on Friday, Saturday or Sunday.
- Constable personnel records are “wiped clean” after 2 years.
- Officers are still referred to as “Constables” and not “Police Officers”.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bishop made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:12 a.m. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Helchowski  
Executive Asst.

Attest,

Noel Bishop  
First Selectman