

Borough of Waterford Council

Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2016

Opening

Council President Jeff Horneman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation.

Council Members Present

Jeff Horneman, Harry Latta, Judy Cline and Tim Williams. Also in attendance Mayor Justin Blose, Melanie Hoover/Elderkin Law Firm, Secretary Stacy Mattson and Dave Senger/Streets Dept.

Others in Attendance

Doris Becker, Stephanie Cox, Darlene Powell, Hazel Thomas, Ken Thomas, Mike Pennock and Mary Powell.

Public Comment

Ernest Sell, owner of Raccoon Refuse offered his services as an organized garbage collector for the borough. He stated he can offer a low rate as long as he is exclusive to the borough, being the only garbage collector. It was noted that there is presently no recycling program in the borough. It was also noted that many other communities have a sole garbage collector, such as Edinboro, North East, Harborcreek, Millcreek and the City of Erie. Ernest stated that it would be a large cost for him to do recycling, he wasn't sure if he would be able to do it. He is not interested in doing the commercial side. They also do their own billing. Jeff stated that we would need a committee and bid it out also. Therefore, it would not be resolved tonight. We will check with some other communities and do some research.

Mary Powell mentioned revisiting renting out the municipal building. Jeff stated that we are looking at that at the present time and mostly non-profits being able to use the municipal building for free. It was mentioned that we need to look into who will be able to unlock and lock the building.

Question was posed what happened to the TV and pool table that were in the building. It was advertised and then given away, as it was not being used.

Minutes

Tim motioned to accept the minutes from July 11th meeting and July 25th special meeting, Judy seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Bills

It was noted the bill from Sharp Print Service was for parking violation notices and the Jefferson Tree Service bill was for the tree in the park. Jeff noted we need to keep track of the bills from Urban Engineers. Judy motioned to pay the bills as presented, Tim seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

Mayor's Report

Justin discussed the vendors in the park, noting that a number of people want to come here, as it is free. He wants to keep a limit on it. Farmers selling their own produce are not charged, per the borough code. Justin will call any vendors not manning the carts, and will make it available for the use of others. Don Spence has written a few parking violations, but mostly quiet. Justin discussed the fatal accident and proposes to notify parents if it is known who is driving the 4 wheelers, etc. It was noted that the bushes at the intersection at 7th and Cherry were taken care of, with the cooperation of the residents there. 4th & Walnut intersection was also cleared. Joe's Auto was mentioned, noting the sign in the window. It was mentioned that the Historical Society is interested but no details are available. It was verified that the wall between Joe's and Adeline's Closet is a common wall.

President's Report

Jeff stated that the bridge demolition at Porter Park is still moving. Andy at Urban has the bid specifications ready and will send out for bid release for the meeting in September. Andy expects the amount to be less than the amount of the grant money, \$25,000.00.

It was noted that one of the rhododendrons was trimmed for Waterford Days by Johnson's. Rt. 19 and 97 at Circuit was discussed and the closing of Circuit St. and Penndot would like it in resolution form. Melanie/Elderkin Law Firm will see that it is drawn up in conjunction with Penndot. It was noted that we have the new fireproof filing cabinet in the secretary's office.

Streets

Jeff mentioned the work that has been done on the streets and the work to be performed. Harry produced and read out loud a memorandum listing the streets that will be worked on. It will be posted on our website and the community bulletin board. Residents will also be notified so they can plan accordingly. The schools will also be notified. Harry stated that the work will not affect over-night parking. Jeff stated that \$100,000 came from liquid fuels money and \$25,000 came from the streets allocation. The liquid fuels money is about \$60,000/year and we used money from last year and this year. Harry mentioned the intersection at 6th and Walnut, where there is no catch basin and it keeps washing out. The workers are continually maintaining it. A catch basin needs installed and tied into the box. Tools would be needed and it involves a lot of labor. Dave stated he would need a hammer drill, quickie saw and a jumping jack. They could be rented, but it would be cheaper to purchase. Jeff proposed to approve up to \$5,000 for the repair. Judy motioned to approve up to \$5,000 for the Walnut Street project, Tim seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Harry presented a resolution for South Park Row and High St. that went through Urban Engineers for an updated control box. The resolution was then signed. The letter was discussed for residents to remove trees and also to remove stumps. Harry mentioned the speed limit sign and noted that the average speed coming down the hill from Rt. 19 is 64 miles per hour.

Parks

Judy discussed the bench & tree that will be placed next to the library in Beth Schaaf's honor. Judy just needs to pick up the rocks. Judy mentioned the weeding being done and noted that she would like to have Jason Jack do some of the work. Jeff stated that it wouldn't be a problem.

Jeff mentioned that Stacy placed a request for nice office blinds for the municipal building. Jeff stated that the blinds would cost \$646.50, and money could be taken from the building allocation. Judy motioned to purchase the blinds for \$646.50, Tim seconded the motion.

Judy motioned to adjourn the meeting, Tim seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.